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There is no denying the fact that the University of Nebraska is woefully lacking in those qualities that go to make up a great college. Chief among these is the lack or rather the utter failure of the student to contribute toward the support of athletics and the foot ball team. The NEBRASKAN has been ashamed to publish the fact that the average amount contributed by each student to this fund is something like five cents a piece. How does that sound for an institution of this size? Repeat it over—five cents a head. It sounds worse. Eye witnesses of the Missouri game said it was a disgrace to the state of Nebraska for the university to send out men in such rags as our men were at that game.

An effort is being made to procure sweaters and stockings for the team. Besides adding to their appearance, it will make the members of the team feel like men, and not like a motly set of paupers. Can't afford to have Iowa, and Missouri, or in fact, the whole West, pointing the finger of scorn at Nebraska's seat of learning. Let us be up and doing. A benefit concert of some sort would probably be a drawing card. We must do something before Thanksgiving. Carl Burnham can take care of any donation you may desire to make.

Let some of us put our heads together and see that the boys don't go naked to Omaha.

One of the greatest faults of our present system of choosing representatives for the Kansas-Nebraska debate, is in the fact that a large number register and do not put in an appearance at the debate. This necessitates a complete re-arrangement of the programs and causes much confusion.

In the series of debates just closed there were thirty-two contestants registered. Of this number only seventeen, about one-half, appeared. As a result, one whole program had to be declared off and nearly all the others were mixed up.

There will always be in the future a sufficient number of contestants to make the debates successful if rightly conducted. The only question is, how to limit the number of debaters, and to be absolutely sure that those who register will appear. Some system should undoubtedly be adopted before next year.

At the time of writing this article we do not know what our front page will disclose as to the result of the Nebraska-Kansas foot ball game. But we know this much, that the members of our foot ball team have labored like dogs, against the greatest odds, for the sake of upholding the honor of the university upon the foot ball field.

Whatever may be the result of the three games played abroad, the students owe it to the team to show some appreciation for their efforts. A good long rope and a couple of carriages, accompanied by an enthusiastic crowd, are the articles with which the team should be met on its return. This was suggested by the Chancellor when we played Denver last year, but the team returned on Sunday and the scheme fell through.

But this is the thing we want to do. Show the boys that their efforts are appreciated and they can play better ball.

The Omaha Game.

The game at Omaha Saturday was not so one sided as the score would seem to indicate. Lincoln had to earn all her touch-downs. But it was interesting—that is, from a Lincoln standpoint. The Y. M. C. A. boys are much lighter and less experienced, of course, but they played foot ball all the time.

Yes, it was interesting. It was a whole circus to watch Flip. When he went through the line it was eight or ten yards, very often more. He would walk forward always, stop, fall down, bounce forward, get up, stumble along, and finally be downed by some one grabbing him by the feet. But then he always measured his length ahead. He made two of the six touch-downs.

Every time the ball was kicked off it was brought back nearly to the center by good interference. Then it was end runs and backing the line until the goal was reached. At one time when the ball was within eight yards of Omaha's goal line, it was given to Frank, who wriggled out of the arms of three men who tackled him on the way, and planted it behind the goal posts. The ball was given to Frank only once for a punt. He sent it fifty yards. Omaha's touch-down was secured on a fluke. The ball had been downed but Bardick grabbed it and put it over the line. None of the Lincoln team went after him, as they thought it would not be allowed, but the children were humored to this extent.

It was shortly afterward, when the ball had been put into play, that it was fumbled near the center. Yont grabbed it and started for the goal, with a Y. M. C. A. man at his heels, with his arm outstretched, just barely touching Yont's back. Then there ensued a fifty yard dash. The distance between the outstretched hand and Yont's back slowly increased, and when the goal line was reached, Yont had beaten him by a yard. It was a noble run and gained hearty applause. Dern also made a touch-down in this half. The first half ended 28 to 6.

The Y. M. C. A.'s nearly secured another touch-down in the second half. They brought it to our ten yard line and then fumbled. Frank fell on it, and it was gradually worked down toward the center again. After the first half, our boys became a little bit lax, and did not work so hard, which accounts for their only securing one touch-down. The ball went over in Fair's hands.

Athletic Notes.

Michigan 22, Kansas 14. Game close.

Where will we be at when we meet Ottawa? In the late game with Missouri the score reads, Ottawa 28, Missouri 9.

For the benefit of the spectators, a step-ladder, or what resembles one in size, has been erected near the side line of the Omaha park.

The foot ball world has been startled. There was a bald headed man in the Omaha team. No wonder they couldn't play foot ball.

The alumni of the U. of N. at Omaha were afflicted by Carl Burnham's gall, so the boys rode out to the park in a 'bus, and two dollars added to the athletic fund.

Charlie Thomas has been coaching the team during the past week.

When Mr. Thomas can take a college like Doane, where they have to borrow three men to fill out an eleven, and coach the said eleven so well, Charlie's all right.

The team plays with Ottawa, the former Baker team, and probably with the Topeka athletic club before returning. "Sport Elliott," who has left to report the games for the NEBRASKAN, will see that the results are telegraphed to us at the earliest moment.

THEY'RE GOOD FELLOWS

Some More Who Have Paid up their Contributions.

Another goodly sum has been raised and given to the manager of the foot ball team. Too much credit cannot be given to those who have a little enthusiasm and show it in this material way. The names of those who have paid since the last list was printed, are:

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