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THE UNIVERSITY IN MOURNING

Three Young Men Lay Down Their Lives As a Sacrifice For Their Country and Humanity.

DEATH FROM DISEASE CONTRACTED IN CAMP.

Supt. Skinner, so Well Known in the University and Throughout the State, Also a Victim of the Dread Typhoid.

Death has once more entered the ranks in the University of Nebraska, and in the last few days has taken away four former students. Wells H. Skinner, Thomas D. Lunn, August Foss and Roy W. Johnson. Never before in the history of the institution have so many died at practically the same time. The University will miss them and will mourn with the afflicted relatives. Wells Hawkes Skinner was born in Virginia in 1855. He studied two years at Bethany college, West Virginia, and in 1886 came to David City, this state, when he took charge of the schools for four years. At the end of that time he went to Crete. From here he used to come down to the University for a day, once a week, and do work here in chemis-

Masonic ceremonies, on the following Friday.

In chapel on Thursday Prof. Sherman made a short talk, the substance of which has been given above; and State Superintendent Jackson said a few words. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That in the death of Wells Hawkes Skinner A. B. in 1896, A. M. in 1898 from this University, the institution mourns the loss of one of the most beloved of its alumni; that the school men of the state will miss one of their most generous and able leaders; that the world of educational literature already enriched by Mr. Skinner's contributions, will never know what further treasures it would have possessed from his pen; that the youth of the state lost one of their most beloved and inspiring teachers.

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That we commend to all good citizens of Nebraska, his example of unselfishness, in which like that of the Master of men, 'He saved others, himself he could not save.'

Thomas D. Lunn, '98, died at the home of his sister in this city on last Sunday at 2 p. m. of typhoid fever, contracted at Chickamauga.

He was born in Lenox, Taylor county, Iowa, September 2, 1875. He attended the University seven years, graduating in the classics last year. He intended to make the ministry his profession, and has always been prominent in religious circles in the University. He was a member of the Union society and one of the Tau Delta Omicron society. Many were the friends he made while in school, who will miss him sorely. He enlisted in company K, of the Second regiment and was very popular among the boys at Chickamauga.

When he left camp he was not well, but when he arrived here on his furlough he went direct to work and the following Sunday preached at Staplehurst, and kept up until about ten



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days ago, when he took to his bed. He grew rapidly worse and died Sunday in the presence of his relatives.

The funeral services were held in the First Presbyterian church on Tuesday, Co. K, Second regiment, acted as escort to the body from the house to the church. Dr. Hindman gave the funeral sermon, after Chancellor MacLean had eloquently and feelingly said a few words. The church was filled and many friends followed the remains to the cemetery and heard the bugle sound "taps" as the coffin was lowered. The floral

emblems were many and were beautiful. Staplehurst church sent an offering, the Gates Ajar, and the boys of the Tau Delta Omicron fraternity had an emblem in the shape of their badge.

August Foss died of typhoid fever at Camp Meade, Pa., last week. He came to the University of Nebraska from Minnesota, where he had graduated in 1897. He was a scholar in physics here in '97-'98, and a member of the honorary fraternity Sigma Xi. He will be remembered as a good athlete and genial fellow, being well liked by all who came in contact with him.

Roy W. Johnson, who died recently of typhoid fever, attended school here in '95-'96. He came from Crete and when the call came he enlisted in the engineering corps and in the company which formed at Omaha. He died in Camp Meade, Pa. He was well liked when he was here, and was becoming prominent in many circles as an athlete, in the battalion, and elsewhere. He was here only a year, but in that time he made many friends who mourn for him.

THE HAGENOW BAND CONCERT.

The band concert given at the Oliver theatre on the evening of the 23rd of September was a notable success. Every seat and every foot of available standing room was occupied by a cultured audience, whose behavior was in every respect admirable. A greater compliment could scarcely have been paid director Hagenow and his musicians than the perfect quietude and wrapped attention accorded them throughout the entire evening.

Although but two months have passed since the organization of the band a number of praiseworthy features might be mentioned. The leader, we think, has reason to be proud of the excellent way in which it follows, the spirit and dash of its playing, its fine attack, and above all the smoothness with which the music was executed. Especially was this notable in their rendition of Meyerbeer's Huguenots, the remarkable finish of which was a surprise even to his warmest admirers.

Those who take a real interest in this new organization hope that in time both the cornet and the clarinet sections may be strengthened. Furthermore, collective music can be good only when the individual players are proficient. To become so requires study and experience.

The double string basses, while not unknown to military bands, was something of an innovation for the west. The effect, however, was very satisfactory.

For an indoor band concert to score such a success speaks well for all concerned. Indeed it is quite within bounds to say that no such playing by a Lincoln band was ever before heard.

LINCOLN FROST '86

To the editor of the Nebraskan: It was formerly the custom for the several University periodicals to contain a column devoted to news concerning the Alumni. I presume that all the University papers still endeavor to do this. But I have noticed that the scope of such news is always very limited, and I have no doubt that occasional items in addition to those "frustrated" by your subordinates are not unwelcome. For this reason, I take the liberty of calling your attention to the recent nomination of Lincoln Frost, '86, for the office of judge of the district court of Lancaster County. Mr. Frost is one of the Alumni of whom we have reason to be proud, as he has distinguished himself as a scholar, a lawyer, and a politician, and has always conducted himself at the bar and in politics as a scholar and one of the sons of our Alma Mater should. Withal, he has ever been enthusiastic in all University affairs since his graduation and has been one of the men always called upon in an emergency. On this account, I think that the honor that has deservedly come to him demands more than passing mention in your columns.

ROSCOE POUND.

THOSE WHO WILL PLAY FOOT-BALL

A Brief Sketch of the Men Who Are Aspirants For Honors on the 'Varsity Eleven.

TWO NEW GAMES ON THE HOME GROUNDS.

What You May Expect of the Team To-morrow, And Throughout The Entire Season.

In the past two weeks 'Varsity football has transferred itself from the minds of enthusiasts to the gridiron west of the main building. The few meagre ideas of the new men held by coach, manager and captain have developed until now the men have regular line ups each evening. This kind of work began Monday evening and was hailed with delight by the men, all of whom were tired of "falling on the ball," "practice catching," etc. All the new men were ambitious to show their metal, so that now the scrub is working even harder than the old men. Among the students excitement is beginning to run very high. Each succeeding evening the crowd around the players grows noticeably larger. This shows the right spirit in the school, and if pocket books open up as fast to buy tickets as lungs do to howl encouragement, a large crowd can be expected out to see Saturday's game.

At the time of going to press definite facts about the team and aspirant are still somewhat hard to obtain, but the following conclusions in regard to the individual players have been summed up:

Captain Melford is back in his old position and in better form than ever before. He weighs about 170, is strong and feeling remarkably well. He has great confidence in both new and old men and seems to be certain that Nebraska is sure of the pennant this year. This is the last year that he can play football, as his four-year limit expires with this season. Before coming to the 'Varsity he distinguished himself on the Lincoln High School team. This afforded him a great deal of experience and makes him one of the best captains we ever had.

Hansen is back again keeping him company at left guard. He weighs about 205 and, as for activity, he gets around like a kitten. The old slowness so noticeable two years ago is all gone and he plays with a surity and confidence only found in old players. He shows up much better than at this time last year.

Turner, at the other guard, is as strong as usual. He gets away quickly and is very strong aggressively. With a line centered up with these three, the oldest and strongest men in the west, there can be no doubt as to the final result. Turner weighs 210 and for so large a man gets around with wonderful agility. He has been having a little trouble with his knee which was injured in '97, but this will not bother him this season.

On account of the absence of both Penree and Hayward, there is a vacancy at both the two tackles to be filled. Kingsbury, of last year's Wesleyan team, entered the University some time ago and appeared in uniform on the football field Monday evening. He played tackle for Wesleyan last year and was one of the best men on their team. There is not much doubt that he will get in first class form and make the team, as he is willing, good natured and a clean worker. The other candidates for tackle are Hummel and Pillsbury. Everything considered, their chances are about equal. Both are products of last year's scrub. Pillsbury has a slight advantage in weight and is somewhat quicker in his movements.

He is a member of the junior class and his home is in Lincoln. He now weighs about 180 and is in the pink of condition. Hummel weighs 172 and is of a more solid build than Pillsbury. He is showing up better than ever before and will make a hard fight to get his place. There is also a strong fight for end. Stringer of last year's team, is back and is sure of his old territory. He will have to do considerable training to get rid of surplus flesh and gain his endurance. For the other end, Hart seems to be slightly in the lead. He is a product of the York High school and a member of the sophomore class. He is built for a try end according to the criteria. He succeeds in finding his nerve to make a valuable man. This is his year's experience in his present position as he played elsewhere on the High school team.

Webster, of last year's Lincoln High school team, will also be given a chance to show what he can do. He is not so tall or favorably built as Hart, being more heavy set and not so fast on his feet. He may be tried at full back on account of his bucking abilities, which appear to be remarkable. It is probable that Liebman will also be put at end in Saturday's game for part of the time. However, on account of a lame knee which he received two years ago, his staying qualities are indefinite.

There are not so many favorable men trying for back positions as last year. Garrett, of the '96 team, and Williams and Benedict of the '97 team, are here in active training, and all are sure of positions. Garrett is trying his old place at full and is doing good work. He is slightly light, weighing only 155, but makes up for this by his great speed. He hails from Pawnee City, where he played with the High school team.

At left back Williams is also very fast. His strong point is on bucks outside of the interference. He played one year here and also on the Ashland team.

Benedict at the other half has had two year's experience. He can be mentioned especially for his ability in following interference or tackle. Besides this line his sureness as a place kicker gives him a foremost place on the team.

Schwartz has not yet come out on account of his lame knee received last year.

From all appearances Cowgill will be at his old place. His work last year was very erratic. He kicks better than any other man on the team, but loses his nerve at critical moments. He has an advantage of weight and a year's 'Varsity experience over the other two candidates, Drain and Tukey. Drain is another product of last year's scrub and is one of the most promising men in football circles. At kicking, he is some distance behind Cowgill and will have to do some hard work to bring himself up in this line. Tukey is playing somewhat faster than last year. He tips the beams at 145 and comes from the Omaha High school, where he made a good record.

It is hard to say much about the other men as they are very numerous and have not been practicing a great

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try, physics, zoology and botany. In this way he did what amounted to a year's residence study and took his degree.

The results of this work he immediately put into practice in the grades. He even taught pupils in the second grade to use the microscope.

He then took up the study of literature, learning the methods used here and putting them into use in the schools from the first grade up. He learned source study and the new method of number work and applied them.

He gave up his summers to the institutes, partly because of enthusiasm, partly because of his Nebraska education and partly from necessity, as he supported his father and mother, now living in Nebraska, for some time, and kept a brother, a graduate of this University, in Germany for two years.

He was a most capable man in adapting higher education to lower minds, and thus intensifying the work of lower grades, teaching his own teachers and having intimate acquaintance with every form and exercise having to do with any creed.

He was a man more helpful to the profession, giving time freely to all who came to him for personal assistance.

He had been ailing all summer, going to bed at some institutes after his morning exercise. He was taken ill on his way to Schuyler, and was sick two weeks in the house of Superintendent Pearse in Omaha, and died on the 22d of September of typhoid fever. He was buried at Crete with