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Nebraska has won five games this year and has not lost one. Kansas has also won five games and lost none. The struggle Saturday between the two will be a mighty battle for supremacy.

The Republican College league meets in Indianapolis, Indiana, November 16 and 17. Surely, Nebraska should be represented there. The republican club that was organized but a little while ago, should take action at once.

Heroic efforts were made to obtain from the railroads a rate which would make it possible for enthusiastic students to go to Lawrence with the team Saturday, but it was impossible. The railroads would give nothing better than one and one-third fare, which would be \$7.50. Had the railroads made a liberal rate three hundred at least would have gone.

In the East it is different. There the teams find some encouragement to play winning football. When there is a big game the railroads always make low rates and carry immense crowds. They make money and the students have a good time and see the good games. At one of the games last Saturday the roads made a rate of one-sixth the regular fare, and the students went in force. Had we been given such a rate to Lawrence, less than two dollars for the round trip, a train load would have gone. As it is none can go.

The November issue of the Kiote came from the press last Monday, and again is a creditable number though not nearly as strong as was the October issue. The situations in Mr. Thurber's "The Undertaker's Story" are lamentably overdrawn. Mr. Lehmer's story has a good theme and is extremely interesting, and the poems are good. Yet considering everything one is forced to the conclusion that the Kiote can improve next time. Probably because of the very excellent issue in October we were expecting too much.

Chicago colleges have a new institution. It is college night. The night of October 29, nearly 4,000 students gathered in Central music hall and simply made a big noise for a time. Chaos was then turned into order for a few moments while some hilarious speeches were made. The students next took to the street seriously disturbing the sleepy policemen and delighting exceedingly small boys and themselves. Such performances seem uncouth, but they are really a great good. They do more than can be done in any other way to rouse college spirit and to stir up enthusiasm. They mark off times in the student's life which will never be forgotten. Those who have a real college spirit roused in them, cherish always the institution that is connected in their memory with such events. Can't we do like or unlike this in Nebraska? The writer verily believes that should the varsity eleven defeat Kansas 50 to 0 the average student would take it as a simple matter of course. He would hardly do so much as to build a bonfire.

The Nebraskan is indeed sorry that it is called upon to criticize severely the action of any organization in another college. However, the action of the Grinnell team in refusing to play in Lincoln last Saturday was so manifestly unjustifiable as to call for most pungent criticism. In good faith the Nebraska management scheduled the game with Grinnell for last Saturday and held the date through other and better games were offered, Grinnell,

without even the shadow of a good excuse, refused at the last moment to come. Grinnell first suggested Brenner of Des Moines for umpire. Nebraska objected because of the expense of bringing him here, supposing of course that some one equally as satisfactory could be found nearer at hand. Two members of the staff of the Omaha Bee were proposed, one a Cornell man, the other a Princeton man. Grinnell was asked to propose others, but did not. However, the manager of the Grinnell team telegraphed to the Bee and asked if those two men were "competent and just," to officiate at the game. The Bee answered that they were "competent" and because the word "just" was not added Grinnell refused to play. This is the Grinnell manager's own version of the case as given in his letter to Bischoff. After this Manager Bischoff offered anything they would ask for if they would only play the game, because to fail to play meant larger financial loss to Nebraska. He even told the manager to bring Brenner or Grinnell men to umpire the game, and still they would not come though there was still ample time. Grinnell probably feared defeat and wished to close the season while her record was still good. Her reputation would not have suffered as it now will had the score been as one sided as in the Hastings game, 76 to 0. Such a team might never again be considered by any college in making up its schedule.

"Protection of American Trade-Marks" was one of the topics discussed at a recent trade convention held in this city. This is the subject in which the stationery trade is deeply interested. In certain lines of this trade the value of a trade mark is very great. What it actually represents in dollars and cents and how great a damage is done by infringing upon it is something which is most difficult of computation. The protection which this valuable species of property enjoys at the hands of the law in this country is very meager and limited. The enormous increase of trade mark litigation in the courts clearly demonstrate the fact that fraud and infringement have increased and developed with the development of our domestic commerce. Common honesty demands that there shall be national legislation looking toward the better protection of business men, whose valuable trade marks should no longer be preyed upon by trade vandals, and who are afforded practically no redress when so injured. Here we have the case of a writing paper manufacturer, who claims to have originated a certain water mark, which has not only been boldly imitated and placed in greatly inferior paper, much to the detriment of the original paper, but which some of the imitators have even gone so far as to flaunt in the public prints as the first and only original. It is clearly apparent, even to the untutored layman, that the evident intent of these imitators was to deceive and to profit by the other man's invention; yet because of a mere technical difference in the design of the originator of the water mark in question has been unable to stop the outrage. Yet still another case of bold infringement has recently been brought to the notice of the trade. The manufacturer of the original article called it, we'll say, the "Jones" accompanying the name with a picture trade mark. The infringer deliberately employs the same picture trade mark, adds an arbitrary word, making it the Jones' "No Plus UREA," and palms off his article as the original, and there you are. He does this boldly and without any apparent qualms of conscience. But it is right, and does not the law afford any redress? From the American Stationer, Oct. 28

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