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Have you subscribed to the fund which will put the Athletic Board out of debt?

Every student who has the university's interests, athletic or otherwise, at heart should give at least one dollar toward wiping out the debt, which now stands against us. The subscriptions have started in a very encouraging way. From the faculty alone nearly \$100 has been raised, one member having given \$10 and several \$5 each. Among the students seven have placed opposite their names \$5 each. The fraternities and societies each have lists, but a report as to the amount raised has not yet been returned. The whole amount to be raised, however, is only \$324, and a goodly portion of this is already provided for. A small amount of liberality on the part of a large number of the students will easily raise the rest.

If you have not seen a blank on which to record the amount you want to give towards paying the athletic debt, see any member of the athletic board. They will find accommodations for you.

At its meeting last Tuesday afternoon the athletic board elected Mr. Rodney R. Bliss manager of the baseball team for the season which is just at hand. It was only as a result of some persuasion that Mr. Bliss consented to accept the position. He hesitated because the acceptance of the place meant for him a personal sacrifice, inasmuch as he must take less hours as a consequence of this added responsibility. In fact he fears it will make it almost impossible for him to graduate in another year, as he had expected. Certainly one who thus sacrifices himself is deserving of the very highest praise. He and Captain Reeder, who has put forth most earnest efforts in behalf of the team, deserve the hearty support of the whole school. With but little doubt the coming baseball season will be one of the most successful in the university's history.

The well known series of mathematic's tests by Webster Wells, professor of mathematics in the Massachusetts institute of technology, is now published by D. C. Heath & Co. of Chicago. The Wells series is not only one of the best known, but one of the most favorably known series of tests now in use. In New England it is especially popular, being used in twenty-three of the twenty-six New England colleges and technical schools, in most of the larger preparatory schools and by more than one-half the public school population of Massachusetts. The publishers have only recently put on the market Professor Wells' "Essentials of Geometry Plane," which, though similar to the same author's "Plane and Solid Geometry," has many important improvements. These consist in leaving to the pupil the working out of the details of the proof of a number of propositions, the figure and a statement of what is to be proved only being given. The needs of the beginning student are also very carefully considered in arranging the first propositions and an admirable order has been secured. Neither have the original exercises been overlooked, 550 such being provided. Mechanically the book is a triumph of the printers' art.

The American Book Company has just published a revised edition of the Latin grammar by Professor Albert Harkness of Brown University. This book marks the distinct advance which has been made within the past few years by Latin scholars. The old edi-

tion of Harkness' grammar has been very popular and very widely used in all parts of the country, and the new book will doubtless be even more popular than its predecessor. All the new discoveries in regard to Latin usages have been carefully embodied in this new edition, making it the most complete of Latin grammars. Especially is the subjunction made a subject of special care. The many intricacies and difficulties of that construction are very carefully and satisfactorily explained. The book, too, has had the very valuable criticism of the eminent German scholars, Professor Stotz of the University of Innsbruck, and Professor Blase of Giesesen. It is adapted to use in both colleges and high schools.

The American Book Company also publishes a new beginner's Latin book, edited by James Smiley and Helen I. Storke of the Cleveland West High school. This book is well arranged and carefully graded, keeping in view the needs of the beginning Latin student. It is altogether an admirable book and likely to prove popular with Latin teachers in high schools.

The Nebraska Dairymen had the following to say about Chancellor MacLean's toast at the banquet held during their state meeting, held at Fremont some time since:

"Chancellor MacLean of the University of Nebraska, in his eloquent manipulation of language, responded to the toast 'Education in Nebraska.' He made a masterly plea for the University and asked the co-operation of the dairymen. He accredited the excellent credit of Minnesota as the result of education. His remarks were extensive and at the same time pleasing and full of enthusiasm, and no one could hear him allude to the glowing progress and advantages Nebraska offered without a feeling of pride for the state."

A course of systematic training will be given to athletic men, beginning this week.

Everyone interested in any athletic work, either indoor or outdoor, base ball, or track, should see to it that he had complied with the rules as laid down by the faculty. Last semester several were excluded on this account and it is hoped that no such mistakes will occur again. The rules in question are found upon page 304, of the University calendar.

It is required that every one who participates in any of the sports must have had at least one semester of physical training under instruction, three hours per day at least.

Two hours daily have been set aside for athletic men. Foot ball and basket ball men will meet at 4 o'clock Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The track athletics will have from 5 until 6 o'clock upon the other days. Training of track men will begin at once. In March the indoor pentathlon will occur. One month later the outdoor pentathlon will take place. A \$20 gold medal similar to the beautiful trophy won by P. M. Pillsbury last year has been again offered by Mr. O'Mahoney for the winner of this event. May 6 is set for the University field day and two weeks later for the inter-collegiate, together with the meet of the State High School Athletic Association occurs here on our own field.

Plans are already under way to send a track team of five to ten men to the Western Inter-collegiate Association meet held in Chicago next June. With the present opportunity for preparation and experience in contests, Nebraska should be able this year to advance herself to a good position in track athletics among neighboring schools. We have the men. Let us see that they have the training. The probability of meeting Kansas should bring at least a hundred men into the gymnasium.

### SIGMA ALPHA HOP.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon entertained its friends at Courier hall last Friday evening. Dancing was the program of the evening, there being eighteen regular numbers and several extras. The room was very tastefully decorated with the fraternity colors, old gold and royal purple. The striking feature was a large cut of their pin placed in a conspicuous place. Those present were Misses Jaynes, Hargraves, Johnson, Jackson, Hayes, Raymond, Ashman, Cunningham, Richards, Woods, Andrews, Whiting, Harley, Le Salle, Cochran, Maycumber, Vaneil, Wetzell, Foster, Waters, Wirt, Watkins, Houtz, Minor, Hammond, Outcalt, Cole, Turkey, McMenemy, Winger, Putnam, Riser, Holdbrook, Hand, of Scranton, Penn.; Messrs. Summer Tukey, Sherman, Hayes, Clark, Shedd, Blackman, McKillip, Ricketts, Van Valin, Mudge, Liebman, Fitzgerald, Landis, Cosgrove, Rehlander, Butler, Honeywell, Hulbert, Gregory, Whipple, Watkins, Kind, Teeter, Davidson, Harmon, Melenz, Bartlett, Selden, Killen, Clapp, Lyle, Sawyer, H. Cowgill, Y. Cowgill, Edmiston, Hobben, Holbrook, Baldwin, Bowdy.

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