ATHLETICS.

Spring Athletics are now fairly on. The gymnasium exhibition of the 24th attracted considerable notice, and help of arouse an interest in Athletics in general. The events were varied and faithfully carried out, and while the records were very low, there was evidence of good method and careful training on the part of the contestants.

The fact that the records were low should not discourage. Our possibilities are just as great as were those of Princeton and Yale when they were young, and there is good reason to expect careful and systematic development.

To the most of us gymnasium exhibits are not of so much interest as college games, but in eastern colleges these events create the highest enthusiasm possible, and particularly since a series of contests have been arranged with the colleges of England.

The revival of the old time games at Athens has created much enthusiasm in America during the past week, in view of the fact that our representatives are proving too much for the classical youngsters who boast of gladiatorial ancestry. The final contests will be made Friday, and from present indications the colleges of the U. S. will take the big share. England is hardly a good second.

The visitors at Athens report a generous reception on the part of their hosts, and their successes receive the generous applause of the forty thousand spectators.

The base-ball boys are practicing out of doors and will be organized by the end of this week. It would be possible to locate the men now, but the positions have not been officially assigned so we hesitate to give our opinion.

There is some complaint that the management is not offering encouragement enough to players in the matter of scheduling games.

It is well known that the competition is always stronger when trips and games are announced. Our information may be erroneous, we hope it is at least.

Tennis is on the qui vive. Three brand new courts, level enough for billiards almost, and the prospects of a healthy organization. Start to playing early this spring, it costs no more than if you wait till the season is half over. Hastings, Pawnee City and many other little towns are playing tennis that will discourage us if we don't get started in good form.

Some of the boys are out taking long chances on ducks 'lately. A number who cannot skip classes, go out early in the morning and are back by nine o'clock classes. There is hardly enough game to warrant a gun club however.

ALUMNI.

The class of '89 of the University of Nebraska held its annual reunion Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Miss Laura Haggard. This class was the last to graduate under the old regime, when class spirit was a real thing and not a suggestion from the powers that be, and when class organization was a matter of pride and interest. The class of '89 was and is always enthusiastic in loyalty to the interests of the University. They hold annual reunions. The secretary, Edna D. Bullack, now cataloguer of the state library, holds her position for life-or during good behavior. A class letter, telling all the truth discoverable and some of the fiction in regard to the progress towards fame made by members of the class, is sent out every year by the secretary. This last meeting was one of the most pleasant on record. There were present; Mr. G. W. Gerwig of Alleghaney, Penn., Mrs. Jennie Bonnell Frost, Mr. Alfred Pizey of Omaha, Mr. T. S. Allen, Miss Laura Haggard, Miss Edna Bullock, Mr. D. A. Haggard, '91. As the meeting was impromptu, on account of the flying visit of of Mr. Gerwig, the distant members of the class could not be present.

A health to '89! May her spirit descend to the rest of us!