

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity gave a very pretty informal party Friday evening at their rooms in the Harris block. A very pleasant evening was spent in dancing. Miss Willoughby's orchestra furnished the music. The rooms were profusely decorated in cut flowers, chrysanthemums and the colors of the fraternity—royal purple and old gold. Among those present were: Messrs. Houghton, R. Sawyer, Green, E. Sawyer, Edminston, Holben, Bartlett, Morrill, Thorpe, White, Du Frene, Wooster, Kenny, Honey, Clapp, Harmon, Marine, Corby and Farwell. Misses Weller of Omaha, Nance, Stewart, Case, Parks, Stewart, Outcalt, Houtz, Harley, Risser, Carascadden, Brown, Slaughter, Lansing-Farwell and Richards.

The Sigma Chi Fraternity initiated Mr. Geo. Hellier, of Nebraska City, and Ray Montgomery of Oak, Neb., at their chapter house on R street. After the initiation, a "feed" was indulged in by the members of the fraternity. A number of the alumni were present.

NOTES FROM THE GRIDIRON.

All interest now centres on the Thanksgiving game at Omaha when Nebraska and Iowa lock horns for supremacy. The interest is intensified even in the face of difficulties. The team has been unfortunate, but Coach Robinson and Manager Oury have done phenomenal work in making something out of nothing. Nebraska expects to win the pennant and she will have to do it by piling up a large score against Iowa. The status of the league has changed but very little although the events of the past week have not helped to brighten the outlook for Nebraska.

Kansas ought to beat Missouri easily. Iowa beat Kansas on a fluke and Nebraska beat Missouri.

Kansas has some very fine material, with probably the strongest line of any western team with some very strong backs; having two substitute backs that are fully equal to any men on the regular team behind the line.

Hector Cowan, although graduating from Princeton in '89, has coached Kansas for three years and keeps fully up with all the new plays.

Iowa is the heaviest team in the league, composed of players of experience. Their backs, too, are men of exceptional ability. Holbrook, the negro, who plays one of the backs, is said to be a whirlwind in defensive and offensive play.

Bull's work is showing up well. Pennsylvania's latest scientific plays are certainly eliminating any weak points in the team.

Missouri is coached by Patterson, a substitute for Yale last year. He has no new plays or systems, and thus far has been very unsuccessful, having failed to win any games at all. If success is a criterion for judgment of a coach, it certainly looks as though they were not as well provided for as the other teams. Missouri, however, has a strong line, but is very weak in the backs, with the exception of one; the others, through injury, have been unable to get into the game.

Nebraska's condition for the Thanksgiving game is an uncertainty. The team puts up a quality of ball on one day that can not be beaten and on another of being totally unable of doing any good work at all. This can be attributed to the fact that the team is composed of new material. Mr. Robinson the coach, has done more than any coach we have ever had; he has made something out of nothing. His ability is unquestioned and within the next two weeks he will have the team in such shape that they will in every respect be the equals of Iowa.

Lincoln will send a noisy crowd of Nebraska "rooters" five hundred strong, and promise many interesting events.

Many coaching parties of Omaha society people have been arranged.

NOTES FROM THE KANSAS GAME.

The fraternities at the university gave a hop for the Nebraska men. They report fine treatment. Turner, the manly fellow with the auburn locks, was the idol of the ladies and only for the strict orders from Coach Robinson he would have indulged in many frivolities.

Nebraska played a good defensive game but were totally unable to advance the ball excepting by the punting of Thorpe and Packard.

Whipple is getting in good form again. He went in the second half and played a brilliant defensive game. His tackling was invariably sure and hard.

Kansas played their new tandem play using both guards. They also kicked three goals in a way entirely new to Nebraska. The quarter touching the ball to the ground and holding it in the air to be kicked.

BUTTE-NEBRASKA GAME.

Thursday afternoon Nebraska met defeat at the hands of the celebrated Butte Giants, at M street park, by a score of 20-6. Even though somewhat one-sided, the Nebraska men felt proud of being able even to score against them.

The Giants are the cracks of the west and are composed of as fine specimens of brawn and muscle as ever played on the gridiron. Nebraska hardly expected to win against them. She did nobly, however. Denver failed even to score against them, and Nebraska's 6 points was a surprise to them.

Butte won the toss and kicked the ball fifty yards into Nebraska's territory. Thorpe returned it in fifteen yards, and Nebraska lost the ball on a fumble. Butte took the ball and pushed it close to Nebraska's goal line. Nebraska's ball on downs, but Butte took the ball on a fumble, by Packard, and within ten minutes after play began made a touch down and Laswell kicked goal. Score—6-0.

Shedd then kicked the ball sixty yards into Butte's territory and Benzen returned it twenty yards. Nebraska then took the ball on a fumble and with steady gains by Shedd, Robbins and Benedict scored a touch down and Shedd kicked a goal. Score 6-6.

From this time to the end of the first half Nebraska succeeded in keeping the ball well down the field and time was called with the ball within thirty yards of Butte's goal line.

In the second half Butte increased the speed of play and Nebraska held her down to two touch downs; both kicks at goal failed. Laswell was not in good form and missed two easy goals. Thorpe, Shedd and Benedict did some phenomenal tackling in the second half. Packard retired early in the game and Jones took his place at right half. Jones has recovered and is getting his old form and is showing up well. Butte's quarter, Benzen, retired in the second half and Sullivan took his place. Nebraska's line could be successfully assailed at any point.

Butte's tandem interference was superb and told heavily on Nebraska's line. The rapidity of play was phenomenal.

The game was well attended but the result was not surprising considering the relative standing of the teams.

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