ATHLETIC UNION MEETS TOMORROW

VICE-PRESIDENT LAW CALLS ANNUAL ELECTION.

The question of revising the Constitution of the Athletic Union to be considered.

Mr. H. E. Law, vice-president of the Athletic Union, has called a meeting of the Athletic Union to be held in the Student Union Ballroom today at 8:00 p.m. The minutes will be taken up first, followed by a discussion of the general welfare of the student body in attendance.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the current state of the athletic programs and to make recommendations for improvements. The attendees are encouraged to participate in the discussion and to provide constructive feedback on the athletic department.

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The Board of Control, who have devoted a large portion of their time, has been largely influenced by the fact that during the years 1924-25, the University has been leased with three good managers, Dr. E. W. Jones and Marc Carter, the Athletic Union, under the administration of Dr. Jones, has only two purposes for existing. It is to provide a glue-bond, under which the business of the Board of Control can be done. The other is to provide a means whereby the student body of the University can exert its will upon the Board of Athletic Control. In order that all of the University interests may have representation therein. In last purpose the organization entirely fails. There is absolutely no reason why any University student should join the Union. By being a member you remove no restriction in the admission to ranks, there is no special gymnasium privilege that any student would have in joining the Union. Per cent of the student body is supposed to be under the present system. It is not supposed to be equal to the student body. The Athletic Union is supposed to be the branch of the Union that manages the athletic life of the University. It is supposed to be composed of the students in the University who can at any time appoint appoint the number of any students. The result is that the membership of the union has been composed entirely of students, except when, for some other purpose, some fee or charge would be required to provide an officer and assistant administrator for their candidates, in order to get two votes on the Board of Control. Hence, it is only possible to object any fee or charge had in securing these seats on the Board of Control would be to participate in the election of the athletic manager who has been paid at the rate of $650 to $850 per year.

On such occasions, the friends of the various factions would put up their money on the right of admission and vote for their candidates. In the election of 1924-25, a combination of athletics and barbarians succeeded in defeating an old "stag," who had lasted the Union for several years. The new power controlled every seat, and the student body, including the various athletic managers, was elected on the Board of Control. Last year the situation was reversed. Last year the student body fired off a new faction, and their candidates for office were elected on the Board last year and were victorious.

Immediately thereafter the Board of Control abolished the office of student manager, merging it into the office of assistant coach, which has been held by Marc Carter. There is, therefore, no incentive for the continuation of the Athletic Union on the present basis. As a means of securing representation candidates from the student body, it has become a sort. Its membership consists of those students who are already fully represented on the Board by the presence of the various teams.

Last winter there was a movement started to reorganize the Union as a basis which would permit of a wider representation of the student body, committees consisting of Professors A. G. Smith, and John Chalmers, and Paul Moors, then president of the University, was appointed to draw up a plan for its reorganization. The report was made, and Chalmers and Moors have now left the University.

The account of these several recent steps, it would seem that the Union has been made capable of being closed out and the entire system of the University officially closed up. Everything has been done that could be done in the Union. The time is ripe to try an ideal system of athletic government with the exception of the organization of the Athletic Union. This
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**UNIVERSITY CALENDAR**

**COMING EVENTS**


Dec. 19, Wednesday—Annual Election of Athletic Union, Old Capitol Building, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 19, Wednesday—Kinnear Society meeting in Science Hall, 4:10 p.m.

Dec. 19, Wednesday—Basketball tourney at Normal, 7:35 a.m.

Dec. 19, Thursday—Holiday recess begins, 10:15 a.m.

Jan. 3, Thursday—Baylor squads meet in all colleges.


Jan. 6, Tuesday—Third number of leisure course, R. F. Overall, the cartoonist.


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