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OPENING GAMES.

CEDAR RAPIDS PLAYS BALL WITH O'CONNOR'S COLTS.

Shivering in the wintry blasts of a raw, windy day, the S. U. I. base ball team Tuesday afternoon received their introduction to a cold and unfeeling world. When the game was called at 3:30 o'clock, at least a baker's dozen were ranged up "back of the bats" and on the bleachers, with overcoat collars rolled up, trying to look jovial. Between each inning the crowd ran around the track once or twice to warm up, while the small boys inaugurated a little scrap among themselves.

The unsympathetic weather but added to the pardonable feeling of novelty—perhaps even of stage fright—which clung to O'Connor's Colts during the better part of the game, until they found that the Cedar Rapids boys were not mortal enemies, but were here on a little holiday trip, playing a series of games in which the principal object was the delectation of all concerned, including themselves, the multitudes, and the home team. Then it was that the boys grew cherry and accepted the inevitable with nine individual smiles.

The players were favored yesterday by a brighter day and greeted by a larger crowd.

When the visitors first went to bat they found Hart, and managed to get around the diamond six times before the inning closed. Our boys then proceeded to go out, tit, tat toe order.

In the second, the Leaguers added 5 more to their 6. Then O'Connor's Colts came prancing up, took the bit in their teeth and ran, and kept running till they had 4 scores to their credit. They didn't get around the diamond again till the seventh inning, when they scored 4 more, and followed in the eight for 3 more, their last.

In the third and fourth the visitors rolled around once and twice respectively. Then they good naturedly took a couple of "nits."

In the seventh they ran down two, and one more in the eight, thus scoring a total 15, and saving any batting work in the ninth.

The Cedar Rapids boys have a splendid team this year—much stronger than last. Every man "plays ball" in his own position, and their team work is like the running of a clock,—only faster.

The Colts had partially recovered from their stage fright of Tuesday, and upon the whole did some very fair work. Hart is a winner in the box. Of course we have our weak spots. Over at the left side of the diamond are one or two of them. We haven't a thoroughbred third baseman on the team. The boys have to trade off on this position, so the roasts won't all be directed at one player. Then out in left field—the way the flies and grounders buzz about where the fielder "ought to be," is something awful. It is hoped that Reynolds will soon be able to play. Then the problem at third base will be solved. How the

one in the field will be disposed of is doubtful. Meggars has been spoken of as a promising man for the emergency.

Captain O'Connor says nothing,—just keeps still and has a faraway look in the eye he doesn't wink. Doubtless he has thought of a way out of the difficulty. A few days more, and we shall know.

Below are the official tabulated scores of the two games:

Tuesday's tabulated score—

CEDAR RAPIDS	R	H	P	A	E
Flood, r f.....	1	0	1	0	0
Fisher, 2 b.....	3	1	2	1	0
Hutchinson, 1 b.....	5	2	12	0	1
Van Buren, 1 f.....	3	2	3	0	0
Andrews, s s.....	1	2	6	5	0
Schrecongost, c.....	0	3	2	3	0
Cole, c f.....	0	0	0	0	0
Hill, 3 b.....	0	1	1	4	0
McDonald, p.....	0	0	0	1	0
Smith, p.....	0	0	0	0	0
Norcum, p.....	1	1	0	0	0
Donnelly, p.....	0	0	0	0	0
	14	12	27	14	1

S. U. I.	R	H	P	A	E
Lowry, P., r f.....	0	3	1	1	2
O'Connor, c.....	1	1	4	1	1
Murphy, c f.....	0	0	3	0	1
Lowry, J., p.....	2	0	0	1	0
McNeill, 1 b.....	0	0	9	0	0
Sargent, 2 b.....	1	1	2	4	1
Williams, s s.....	1	1	0	1	1
Hart, r f.....	0	0	1	0	0
Yates, 3 b.....	1	4	4	2	1
	6	10	24	10	7

Score by innings:
S. U. I. 0 0 0 0 0 2 3 1—6
Cedar Rapids 3 2 1 0 1 4 0 3—14

Following is the summary:
Bases on balls—Off Lowry, 3; off McDougal, 1; off Smith, 1; off Donnelly, 1.

Struck out—Flood, 2.
Hit by pitcher—Flood.
Home runs—Sargent, Hutchinson.
Three base hits—Hutchinson, Andrews, O'Connor, Murphy, Hart.
Umpires—Donnelly and Shuman.
Scorer—Hurst.

Wednesday's tabulated score—

CEDAR RAPIDS	R	H	P	A	E
Hood, r f.....	1	2	2	0	0
Fisher, 2 b.....	2	1	1	3	1
Hutchinson, 1 b.....	2	2	12	2	0
Van Buren, c.....	3	1	4	0	0
Andrews, s s.....	1	1	4	6	0
Donnelly, r f.....	2	1	1	0	1
Cole, c f.....	1	2	1	0	0
Hill, 3 b.....	2	1	2	0	0
McDougal, p.....	1	0	0	2	0
Smith, p.....	0	0	0	1	0
Shurman, p.....	0	0	0	1	0
	15	11	27	15	2

S. U. I.	R	H	P	A	E
Sargent, 2 b.....	0	3	2	6	1
Lowry, P., r f.....	1	0	0	0	2
O'Connor, c.....	2	2	7	1	0
Murphy, c f.....	2	2	0	1	1
Lowry, J., 3 b.....	1	2	2	1	0
McNeill, 1 f.....	3	2	0	0	0
Williams, s s.....	0	2	1	4	3
Hart, p.....	1	2	1	2	0
Yates, 1 b.....	1	2	11	0	1
	11	17	24	15	8

Score by innings:
S. U. I. 0 4 0 0 0 4 3 0—11
Cedar Rapids 6 3 1 2 0 0 2 1—15

Following is the summary:
Bases on balls—Off Hart, 4; off McDougal, 1; off Smith, 2; off Shuman, 1.

Wild pitches—Hart, 2.
Hit by pitcher—Hart, 3.
Passed balls—O'Connor, 4.
Stolen bases—S. U. I., 6; Cedar Rapids, 5.
Umpire—Sueppel.
Scorer—Hurst.

STUDENTS ATTENTION.

THE SUCCESS OF OUR BASE BALL TEAM NOW DEPENDS ON THE STUDENTS OF S. U. I.

After great exertion and effort on the part of Manager Skewis, the Cedar Rapids team was secured to play a series of practice and exhibition games with S. U. I. Cedar Rapids was obtained at the most reasonable rates imaginable, and it was thought by both Manager Skewis and the Advisory Board that even a fair sized patronage on the part of the students would meet the expense of bringing the team to Iowa City. At the same time every attendant at the games would get value received, and our own team could in no other way be so strengthened and trained. No better and more rational plan was ever devised by a manager at S. U. I.

The arrangement has worked admirably in every respect but one—the student body has so far utterly failed to take the least interest in the games. Of course rain and bad weather has had a detrimental influence, but there is no use in evading the truth—THE STUDENT BODY IS NOT DOING ITS DUTY. The admission is extremely reasonable, and no one is asked to go out of charity; every student that attends the games is guaranteed his money's worth. All that is asked is that appreciative support from our students that is enthusiastically and freely given to such enterprises by the students of almost every other institution in the country. If our own students won't support the own enterprises nobody else will.

Professionals on Class Teams.

The U. of M. Daily has this to say of the rule at Michigan University allowing professionals to play on class nines: "Now that the season for class base ball teams has begun, the question of allowing professionals to play on class teams is being agitated. The feeling is strong all over college that the rule passed last spring allowing professionals to play, was an unjust one, and should be repealed. A prominent athlete, formerly a member of another college, says: 'Other colleges view with suspicion the rule allowing professionals to play on class teams at Michigan. Michigan has made a strong stand lately for purity in athletics, and has often accused other colleges of violating the compact in regard to strictly amateur teams. But it certainly looks wrong when Michigan allows professionals on class teams, which are great feeders of the 'Varsity teams.'"

Athletic Union Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Athletic Union at Close Hall, Monday evening, at 6:30 sharp. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Treasurer and Vice-President for the Dual League organization, and to transact current business. Fifty members of the Union are requisite for a quorum, and as this election is important, all members are requested to attend.
J. R. FRAILEY, Pres. Ath. Union.

Eleven colleges in this country issue a daily paper.

The University of Illinois has just completed a new library building at a cost of \$75,000.

Stanford University is to have a new training house for its track team which will cost \$1,500.

Two men tied for first in the final ranking in the Wisconsin University local oratorical contest.

Chicago University has eight old men on its team, and will make a strong bid for supremacy.

The State University of Minnesota has about 3,000 students, over 500 of whom are in the Law department.

The work in the compulsory course of Freshman gymnastics at Yale has been put to a strong test during the past months, and the scheme has proved itself a very practical one. The work has been decidedly progressive, and the results very gratifying to the instructors in charge. The course has been relieved of monotony as far as possible by a change of work every two or three weeks.

Oliver Shiras, of Cornell, who has the arrangements for the Inter-Collegiate Championship track and field games in hand, has announced that they will be held at Berkely Oval on May 27th and 28th. It has been reported that some of the final events were to take place on the first day of the meet. This, however, must be incorrect, as the by-laws of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association distinctly state that none but preliminary events are to be held on the first day, and as the executive committee of the association has not the power to change the by-laws themselves, the reported change is either inaccurate or an oversight on the part of the committee.

Senior Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Senior class at Close Hall, Friday, April 22, at 4:30 sharp. Several committees will submit final reports, and other very important business will be transacted. It is desirable that all members of the class that can possibly do so attend this meeting.
J. R. FRAILEY, Pres.

Notice.

The final contest of the Hellenic Whist League will be held Monday evening, April 25th at Delta Tau Delta Halls. All participants are requested to be present. Ex. Com.

Notice.

The committee on arrangements for the coming tennis tournament desires to state that seats will be provided free for all ladies attending the games next Saturday.

Notice.

The sale of the goods donated by W. D. Cannon, to the Athletic Union, will be postponed one week on account of the weather. Further notice of sale will be given.
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Baconian.

Professor Magowan will read the paper to-morrow evening. Subject, "Title by Possession."

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Girl's Contest.

It is with deep regret that we learn there will be no contest this year between representatives of Hesperian and Erodolphian literary societies. This event has ever been looked forward to with keen interest, the intense rivalry and reputation of the contestants being in the past sufficient to insure a crowded house.

Just which party is responsible for this "cessation of hostilities" does not appear, but any circumstance tending to lessen the literary interest can be regarded in no light but deplorable.

Desirous of peace we may be, but an armistice in literary contests means retrogression and falling from future standards.

Excessive Work.

The number of students who are taking work far in excess of the amount prescribed as "regular" by the University authorities, is by no means small. The ordinary question has come to be: "How much extra work have you?" This is especially true of upper classmen, but among the Sophomores, and even among the verdant Freshmen, are found those who are carrying from eighteen to twenty-five hours.

That such a transgression of laws laid down by men schooled in such matters and capable of judging, would be without evil results, could not be expected.

The assumption of a student that he is far superior to the ideal must end dismally at some point. Often this failing is found in the poor recitation and general tendency to skim and "cram;" more often, however, it is found in the sallow look, the faltering step and torpid brain, which refuses to function from pure fatigue.

Much attempted and little done has too often been the despairing cry of such a poor unfortunate. A college course should not consist in ruining our physical constitution, in destroying vigor and rendering us unfit to apply the few facts or powers we may acquire.

Athletic Union Benefits.

From the number of benefits, donations, etc., that have been given, and are yet to come, it is evident that interest is high in athletic affairs, and needs only to be crystallized in certain ways to bring satisfactory financial returns.

Among the different agencies whereby money will be obtained for the Union may be mentioned the benefit which is to be given at St. Brendan's Hall, April 24. The proceeds of the games played with the Cedar Rapids team this week will also be turned into the Athletic Union's treasury.

The literary societies are also doing their share of the work, and in the near future the Irvings and Erodolphians will present a series of farces, the proceeds of which will be applied to the Union's debt. The proceeds of the tennis tournament will likewise go to the cause of athletics in the University.

The alumni are responding in a generous, patriotic manner to the duty of the hour, and their words of encouragement, backed up by honest dollars, mean much to those who are striving to liquidate the debt which hangs over the Union.

The amount gained by these various entertainments depends to a great extent upon the patronage of the students. Only by their help can a sum significant in proportions be raised. Every true and loyal friend of the University has now a privilege and a duty before him which should not be lightly pushed aside.

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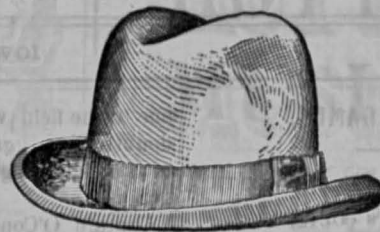
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FACT AND RUMOR.
Tennis Tournament Saturday.
Sigma Nu's give a party to-morrow night.
Helen Larrabee is attending classes again.
Williams, L. '99, has returned from Ottumwa.
Gail Sweeney returned from Osage last night.
Miss Robinson is able to attend classes again.
P. T. Vaughn is unable to attend classes on account of sickness.
Instructor Cook missed classes last Tuesday on account of illness.
Branninger, '00, was initiated into Delta Tau Delta Tuesday evening.
M. B. Williams, L. '99, has returned from an extensive business trip in Missouri.
Owing to an accident Professor Loos was not able to meet his class this morning.
Regent Cable, of Davenport, was the guest of President Schaeffer Wednesday morning.
Iowa Agricultural College is making preparations for an exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition.
M. K. Bussard, L. '98, who returned to school this spring term, after having been absent during the winter term on account of ill health, has again returned to his home in Huntington, Ind., on account of his falling health. Many friends in the University wish for his recovery.

CALL ON BLOOM & MAYER FOR CLOTHING AND HATS.

Don't forget the tennis tournament. Professor Van Steenderen's Freshman class look forward to a lecture on customs in France in the near future.

Miss Leona Call is in Waterloo, where she is attending the missionary conference of the W. B. M. S. of the west.

At the University of California the cadets have organized themselves into a fire corps for the protection of the university buildings.

Dr. Adele P. Kimball, matron of the Homeopathic hospital, is home from a three weeks' inspection of hospitals in Chicago and other eastern cities.

Frederic Larrabee, L. '98, is back from Philadelphia, where he attended the National Convention of the Phi Kappa Psi, being a delegate from the S. U. I. chapter.

Professor Eugene Wambaugh, of Harvard University, opened a series of lectures to the law students the first of the week. He is to speak each afternoon this week on "Agency."

Mr. H. W. Rose, General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. last year, and now General Secretary at Ann Arbor, will be in the city Saturday and Sunday. He will lead the Y. M. C. A. meeting Sunday afternoon.

Professor Eugene Wambaugh, a member of the Law Faculty of Harvard University, and who formerly held a similar position in the department here, was initiated into the McClain Chapter, Phi Delta Phi, as an honorary member, yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Elizabeth Hess, the first lady to graduate in the Medical department of S. U. I., in the early '80's, and who is located in this city, died this morning, the result of an operation which was performed recently for the removal of an abscess from the brain.

Gaylord Weeks, of the Junior Engineering class, has returned to his home in Denison, and will not be in school the remainder of this term, having been elected city engineer of Denison. As Melville Clements, C.E. '98, was appointed to a governmental engineering position at Washington, recently, the professors of the Engineering department have good reason to be proud of their "boys."

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