

TRACK-FOOTBALL-BASEBALL

PRACTICE BEGINS FOR TRACK MEETS

Runners, Hurdlers, Jumpers Make Gymnasium a Busy Place.

COMPETITIONS ARE SCHEDULED

Variety of Events Arranged For Students Enrolled in Department.

Although there was some preliminary track practice at the University of Missouri before the holidays, real work in preparation for the indoor meets in March and the outdoor meets later in the spring began with the inter-department relay races last Saturday. From now on the gymnasium will be a busy place, with runners, hurdlers and jumpers getting into condition to defeat Kansas and Missouri's other opponents on the track and field.

Indoor Schedule.

The following indoor track schedule for 1909 has been posted by Coach Monilaw:

Jan. 16. Try out for all track men. Events—High jump, shot put, 30 yard dash, 50 yard high and low hurdles.

Second inter-department relay races—Lawyers and Engineers, (a) Academics and "Farmers." Two laps to man; teams of eight men each.

Jan. 23. Try out for all track men. Events—High jump, shot put, 30 yard dash, 50 yard high and low hurdles, 110 yards, 880 yards, mile, and two-mile runs, pole vault.

Third inter-department relay races—(a) Engineers and Academics, (b) "Farmers" and Lawyers. Two laps to man; teams of eight men each; winners run winners, losers run losers.

Jan. 30. Final inter-department relay races. Each department team will run the other department teams until a championship has been established.

Dual Meets.

Feb. 6. Dual meets. Freshman vs. Sophomores, Juniors vs. Seniors. All of the regular indoor events, including mile relay.

Feb. 13. Inter-class meet—Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior. All of the regular indoor events, including mile relay.

Feb. 20. Varsity try out in all indoor events. "Seconds." Relay Carnival—Interclass. Races 400 yards, one mile, two miles. Teams of four men each.

All races will be pursuit, teams starting on opposite sides of the track. Students who are not enrolled in the department will not be eligible to competition.

TO MAKE MONTE CARLO

Extensive Gambling Plans Being Made for Hot Springs.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15. Colonel W. P. James, one of the best known sporting men in this country, has bought the famous old Arkansas Club at Hot Springs, Ark., and will open it Feb. 1. It will enter the field as a rival of the Southern Club, now run by Dan Stuart, and will practically make Hot Springs the Monte Carlo of the United States. The property was bought several days ago from C. A. Dunn, Joseph Yeager and Edward Ballard, and will immediately be refitted and made one of the most luxurious gambling places in existence. The purchase price is not named, but it is said to be not far from \$250,000.

Colonel James is the owner of the Manhattan Club at Saratoga and the New York Club at Long Branch, both of which have been closed for some time. He said that the days for sporting clubs in the East had passed, and that the only place for them was in the West or Southwest. He added that he expects to make his club the best in America.

Man 170,000 Years Ago.

PARIS, Jan. 15. Abbes Bouysson and Bardon, who are conducting excavations at Chapelle aux Saints, in the Corcoze department, have discovered what are believed to be the oldest human remains, dating back 170,000 years to the middle of the Pleistocene age, the latest period of geological history. The skull presents a strong resemblance to that of a monkey, having a long jaw and being devoid of canine teeth. The other bones are arched, showing that man usually walked on all fours. The skeleton has been acquired by the Natural History Museum of Paris.

Don't miss the \$1 sale at Wheeler's Saturday.

KICKING IS IMPORTANT FACTOR IN FOOTBALL

Walter Camp Shows How Element of Strategy Has Been Added to Game By On-Side Kick—What the Future Promises.



Alexander, of last year's Missouri Tigers, in act of punting.

Walter Camp, regarded as the highest authority on football in the United States, writes as follows in the Baseball Magazine on "Kicking and Its Future":

Each season places a higher value on kicking. That part of the game is developing faster than any other. A new kind of kick that is coming to be of great importance in the present game is the on-side kick. It is a new feature in American Rugby football.

Up to two years ago a ball kicked from the line of scrimmage left all the men on the line of scrimmage off-side, and hence forbidden to touch the ball until it had touched an opponent, or, in the old days, until the man who had kicked the ball had run up ahead of them. This last privilege, however, was taken off some years ago, and there was no means by which a man on the line of scrimmage could be put on-side or rendered eligible to touch the ball until it had come in contact with an opponent.

Element of Strategy.

For the last two years, however, the rules have provided that if a ball is thus kicked from behind the line of scrimmage, the fact of the ball's touching the ground has the same effect regarding on and off-side as though it had touched an opponent, and the players in the line of scrimmage running down under it are eligible to touch it or to secure it as soon as it has touched the ground. This has brought a new element of strategy into the game, and the backs are taught to kick a short low ball over the rush line, which shall strike the ground before the defensive side can reach the ball and thus give their own men in the scrimmage line an opportunity to secure it.

It is a very effective move when well-performed, but an exceedingly difficult one when the defensive side is prepared and watching for it. Whether the de-

velopment of it as an attacking principle will outstrip the skill and intuition of the defensive backs is a question not yet solved.

Games Won by Field Goals.

Drop-kicking and kicking from placement this season are very important factors. This is due in a measure to the difficulty encountered by all teams of scoring by means of touchdowns, and in several instances fairly important games have been decided on field goals alone.

A kick from displacement is usually taken to mean a kick when the ball is passed back from the line of scrimmage to distinguish it from a place kick, a kick made from a fair catch, or from a touchdown when the opponents are restrained and the kicker has plenty of time to direct the ball. This kicking from placement from behind the line of scrimmage has been developed by several teams, notably by Michigan and the Carlisle Indians.

Drop-kicking was last season most phenomenally developed by some other teams, notably Princeton with Harlan. There is already considerable discussion as to whether the value of a field goal made by heeling a fair catch should not be lessened, as it is very much easier than kicking a goal from placement behind the scrimmage, or drop-kicking a goal.

At present it counts the same, and a side forced into its goal by a strong wind is placed in an almost defenseless position in this respect, and field-kick goals from fair catches are not unusually difficult under these conditions.

The future offers much in the way of kicking. No doubt great changes will be made. As the game goes on along these lines it will probably hinge upon the unexpectedness of the kick, and upon the concealment of it. But it lends a new and added element of interest to the game.

JOHN NEE CHOSEN BASEBALL COACH

Professional Player Will Train Varsity Men in Indoor Practice.

John C. Nee, a Freshman in the College of Arts and Science, has been engaged by the Athletic Department to coach the Varsity baseball team in indoor practice, to coach the Freshmen and to assist in coaching the Varsity when Coach Lowman takes charge after the basketball season.

"Kid" Nee, as he is known in baseball circles, has had a varied experience since becoming a professional ball player. He is only 18 years old and is the youngest baseball player in the Class A league.

Nee began his professional baseball career in Springfield, Mo., his home. He was sold to Webb City in the Western Association, but before the season closed was sold to the St. Paul club of the American Association, where he played short-stop during the season of 1908.

The indoor work for the Varsity team will begin next week and all candidates for the team are urged by the coaches to report for work as soon as possible. The cages are being placed in shape for the battery men.

"DAD" ELLIOTT TALKS AS HE PLAYS FOOTBALL

Y. M. C. A. Man Says Character is Fixed by Sophomore Year.

The style of A. J. ("Dad") Elliott, a Y. M. C. A. traveling secretary who delivered an address to men in the Auditorium last night, can best be described by saying that he talks as he used to play football.

"Dad's" subject was "The Call of Business for Men of Character," and he handled it in an earnest and energetic way. He gave interesting facts concerning the method of operation of bonding and surety companies, and emphasized the fact that the young men of the country are becoming every day more dependent upon these companies for their positions, for all employers are beginning to ask who who is financially responsible for their men.

The speaker explained the system employed by these companies to keep tabs on the men they bond. It is one of the best systems of secret service in the country. And a withdrawal of a bond by one company means that the man will go on the blacklist of all the other companies.

"Dad" cautioned the men against thinking they could live any sort of life while in school and then change afterwards. Statistics go to prove that a man's character doesn't change after his Sophomore year, he said.

Examinations will probably cause you to wish you had kept a better set of "class notes" than you have. Then prepare to keep them properly next semester by deciding on a definite manner in which to keep them. That you may examine the different sorts of books used for this purpose the Co-op has put on display a large assortment of such books. The prices are low. Call and see them. (adv.)

H. S. Kleinschmidt Weds.

Announcements have just been received in Columbia of the marriage of H. S. Kleinschmidt, a graduate of the University of Missouri, and Miss Sarah Isabelle Peterson, at Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 17. They will live at Saline, Utah.

Dr. Lovejoy to Lecture.

Dr. A. O. Lovejoy, professor of Philosophy, will lecture tonight before the Social Science Club on "The American Student and the Social Question." The lecture will be delivered at 7:30 o'clock in Room 24 of Academic Hall.

Student Witness in Trial.

C. O. Davis, a student at the University of Missouri, was called home last evening to attend a trial at St. Charles, Mo., in which he is a witness.

Christian Science Services.

Christian Science services are conducted every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. at 910A Broadway. The subject for next Sunday will be "Life."

The Broadway Odeon has engaged the services of a noted singer, Mr. Frederic Judd of Chicago, who will sing at the performance for the first time to night. (adv.)

Buy Fruit Jars now at Chandler's—the leading grocer, on South Ninth street. (adv.)

FRENCH LIKE OUR SHIPS MINISTER WARS ON HATS

Football Teams from Kansas and Minnesota Will Play.

VILLE FRANCOISE, France, Jan. 15. The United States battleships Minnesota, Vermont and Kansas continue the principal attraction here. Many boat loads of visitors were conducted over the ships today and everybody was loud in the praise of the American men of war and their neatness and order.

The people are looking forward eagerly to the football game next week between men from the battleships Minnesota and Kansas, which will be played on the military parade grounds. According to a report, a prize of \$60,000 depends upon the issue.

Household Goods for Sale.

Early English 850 hall rack with seat, used four months, half price; dining table, six chairs; gas range, two-burner gasoline stove and oven, wash-stand, cheap. Owner leaving town. Call 1002 Lowry street. (adv.)

Disregard of Church Sign Will Bring Visit from an Usher.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 15. Following his crusade against hat wearing in church, Rev. F. C. Whitney, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, has made arrangements to have a large sign printed and hung conspicuously in the front of the auditorium of the new church into which the congregation will move in a few weeks.

The placard will say: "Please Remove Your Hats," and all women adorned with millinery are expected to obey. Should there be any who stubbornly refuse to accede to the request thus put forth, one of the polite ushers will step up to her, tap her gently on the shoulder and present a card which will read, "Please Remove Your Hat."

Mr. Whitney has determined that he will preach to uncovered heads and is prepared to go to great lengths to carry his point.

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