OUR NEW GOLD FIELDS.

There is a great fascination in the one word "gold." How many a man has left a comfortable home or a lucrative position to join in a rush for some far-off gold field to go through the vicissitudes and uncertainties of a prospector's life. The farther off the place and the more difficulties to be overcome the greater seem to be the attraction. The only thing that will be necessary to discover the North Pole is a report that gold can be found there in plentiful quantities. Difficulties that otherwise seem insurmountable are overcome with ease, when a prospective gold mine is on the other side. The hardships that a man will endure in his search for gold seem almost incredible.

Gold was first discovered in what has now become known the world over as "Cape Nome," late in the fall of '98, by Mr. Hulberg, a missionary, and his partner, Mr. Blake. They agreed to keep the discovery quiet for a while until they could both have their friends come in and secure valuable property. This was more than Mr. Hulberg could do, he let it out to some of his missionary friends, and they in return to some of their friends. The result was that there was a stampede of missionaries into the new country. Thus it can well be seen how they secured the best claims in that part of the country. Anvil was the creek upon which Mr. Hulberg and his partner made the discovery and it is the one which so far proved to be the richest gold bearing creek ever found.

It did not take long for the news of the new strike to spread; it never does. It seems to spread like wild-fire. A party of these new prospective millionaires became somewhat intoxicated one evening at a trader's by the name of Dexter. From there the news quickly traveled to St. Michaels, a distance of about 350 miles, by the way people were compelled to go. The moment the news reached there, all became wild, in their eagerness to join the rush into this new wonderful gold field.

It required nerve and a strong physique to make that trip. It was more than 300 miles over snow and ice, and all this distance was to be made dragging a small hand-sled, on which was loaded all that the miner would require for several months, such as provisions, tent and stoves, etc. They went mostly in pairs, as stove, tent and blankets would serve two as well as one and every pound counted. This was also by far the coldest part of the year; it was the month of December. There were a few who were fortunate enough to possess dog teams to draw their loads for them. The dog is indeed the "King of the Trail" up there. A good dog team at that time was worth its weight in gold. However one way and another these men made their way into the country and located their claims, after which they waited patiently for the slowly approaching spring to disclose to them the results of their efforts.

In traveling from St. Michaels to Nome, they came through several Eskimo villages. The Eskimos were then a very kind and honest people. They would take in the cold and weary prospector and give him a warm place by the fire over night. They even carried their honesty to great extremes, if a man should accidentally drop something no matter how valuable it might be, and an Eskimo should come
along and find it, he would immediately start upon the trail of the white man and travel for hours to overtake him and restore his property to him and for this he would expect nothing in return. The missionaries had done very good work among the natives up to the time of the discovery of gold. A great amount of good had been done and many of the natives had become Christianized. The life work of these missionaries has been undone in a few short months by some unprincipled men who were among the first to rush into the country. A great deal can be said in regard to the way in which the white man, the Christian, he who is supposed to represent the highest development of civilization has affected the life of the simple native of Alaska.

Early in the spring of '99 very meagre reports came to the outside of very good prospects being found in the vicinity of Cape Nome, but very few credited these reports as it was thought to be a scheme on the part of the transportation and trading companies to secure trade. This explains why very few went from the United States to Nome the first season. The report, however, of the find also made its way up the Yukon River to Dawson City with the mail carrier. This was a distance of about 2,000 miles over a hard, rough country. There were in Dawson at this time, a large number of disgusted men who were eager to try their luck in United States territory. Many hundreds followed the Yukon down to Nome with dog teams. It was considered about a two months' trip. As soon as the ice left the Yukon in May many thousands floated down its swift current to Nome in row boats. The population, therefore, of Nome the first year was made up largely of Dawson men. Some of these men had had considerable experience in gold mining and therefore were of great value in opening up the new country.

It did not take long before every inch of ground surrounding Nome was staked, as every man allowed 20 acres on each creek and its tributaries. One great curse to the country was the staking by the so-called "Powers of Attorney." This has never been done before to any extent in a mining country and it will surely be done away with in the near future. By this method there is hardly any limit to the number of claims a man can stake. A large company of men from some outside place each give their "Power of Attorney" to one man and he goes into the mining district and stakes a claim for himself and one for each of his friends on every stream and creek he comes across. In that way a few men can gain control of a whole country, which is certainly not right. These various methods of staking were what caused most of the trouble last year in regard to the ownership of claims.

Another thing which has retarded to a great extent the development of the new country is the "claim jumper." There is not a valuable piece of property in the whole country that for some reason or no reason at all, has not been jumped or contested from one to a dozen times. These "jumpers" are men who come in after the claims have been located, and attempt to derive benefits from the exertions of others. Unhappily they are one of the unavoidable curses of every new mining camp. If they cannot find any grounds upon which to contest a claim they manufacture some. They make considerable trouble for a while, but finally right wins out.

It is obvious that with all these difficulties to contend with the duties of judge are very hard to fulfil. Mr. Arthur A. Noyes, who held that position last summer, has been charged with the most gross irregularities. Whether these charges are valid or not it is hard to say, but the investigations which will take place next summer will no doubt bring out the truth. Whichever way he decided an important case all seemed to agree that the winning side must have
offered the larger bribe. We must also remember that it is impossible to satisfy everybody, someone is bound to complain that he has not been fairly treated, especially in a country where everybody wants a slice. Several of the cases which were brought before Judge Noyes last summer involved the possession of claims which were worth millions of dollars, therefore the office which he fills is one of the highest responsibilities.

Great difficulties were involved in opening up a claim even on Anvil Creek which was by far the easiest to operate. Lumber, with which to make the sluice boxes, had to be dragged back to the creek over the swampy and marshy ground or else it had to be trekked up Snake River, which is just as crooked as its name signifies, to Anvil Creek, which is a branch of Snake River. Ordinary lumber in Nome was worth $300 per thousand and you were considered lucky to get it at that. All other necessities were proportionately expensive. One thing which helped to open up the country more than anything else was the coming into the country of a man with five pack horses. He packed goods from Nome out to the camps on Anvil at the rate of 20 cents per pound. He cleared between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars in less than two months.

The first gold of any amount was taken out of G. W. Price’s claim No. 9 Above on Anvil. It was in the latter part of May and very little of the ground was then thawed out, but he found a small patch which had become partly thawed and on this he put several men to work carrying dirt over into his sluice boxes. Only a very small amount of dirt could be handled in this manner, but it was enough to make a fair test. It was quite a sight that evening. Mr. Price had let it become known that he would “clean up” that evening. All those men who had withstood the long gloomy arctic winter together now gathered around the sluice boxes to see what this first “clean up” on Anvil should bring forth. They knew that on it depended the results of all their labors, all that they had endured. If this turned out good they could have reasonably good hopes that their claims would also contain something of the precious yellow metal. Many different thoughts whirléd through these hardy men’s minds as they watched Mr. Price take the riffles out of his sluice boxes, and put on a small head of water to wash out the sediment that had been left in the bottom of his boxes. Finally when he had washed out the dirt as clean as he could he scooped what was left in the bottom into a pail and he took it into his tent to dry it on the stove and then to blow out from the gold dust the fine dust that was still in it. When this was all completed he carefully weighed what remained on his small gold scales. Finally he announced the result to his almost breathless onlookers. “Seven Hundred Dollars.” A loud cheer went up from that crowd. Everybody went home satisfied that they had discovered one of the richest gold-bearing camps in the world. When such results could be obtained with the partially frozen ground the amount that could be taken out when the ground should become fully thawed and men could shovel steadily into the sluice boxes twenty-four hours per day, would be almost unlimited. The results which were obtained later in the summer verified the truth of their conclusions.

The claims on Anvil Creek and Snow Gulch were the only ones that were opened up in the summer of ’99. Snow Gulch only contains three claims, but these are very rich. Some wonderfully rich “cleans up” have been made on both Anvil and Snow. As high as $25,000 have been taken out in a single day. Last summer, while Discovery claim, on Anvil, was in the hands of the receiver, it cleared $200,000 above expense in one month and there are several other claims on the creek which are every bit as rich.
as Discovery.

The most striking part of the Nome discovery was the wonderful beach. Here the sands right along the ocean's edge were found to contain a very rich deposit of gold. The reported richness of the beach was what set the world on fire, so to speak. It was something new, something that had never been heard of before in the annals of gold digging. The richness of the beach sand was found to extend several miles along the coast. Out of it in about three months was taken several million dollars. Everybody made money. Some made as high as two or three hundred dollars per day, while none made less than twenty or thirty. The beach was certainly what helped out all the broken miners who came down from Dawson.

Several attempts were made to stake the beach in 20-acre lots like other mining territory, but these attempts were not successful. An amusing incident is told of how two big companies attempted to force the miners off a strip of the beach which the companies claimed to have staked. Two or three hundred were at work upon the disputed ground. One afternoon the companies had warrants issued for the arrest of these so-called "trespassers," and officers were sent out to bring them into town. The miners never said a word but followed the officers into town. They had only been under arrest a short while when several of them became very hungry, and the feeling seemed to spread very rapidly so that in a few minutes all these men were demanding something with which to satisfy their appetites. The officers in charge informed the companies that if they were going to hold these men under arrest they would be compelled to feed them, and at that time it was no small matter to feed two or three hundred hungry men. Meals could not be obtained at much less than $3 per plate, so they refused to feed the men. The officers then told them that they had better go back to their work again, which they certainly did not lose much time in doing.

The beach sand was separated from the gold with the old fashioned "California Rocker." This machine is built somewhat on the same principle as a cradle. Either a blanket or else a silver plate, smeared with quick silver, is placed in the bottom of the rocker. If a blanket is used the fine gold dust gathers in the blanket and works its way down into it. If a plate is used the quicksilver catches the gold and an amalgam is formed which clings to the silver plate. The gold and quicksilver is easily separated by being placed on a hot fire. The quicksilver will evaporate and leave the gold.

The rush into Nome last spring was by far the greatest rush into a gold country that the world has ever seen. Wonderful stories had been told of the richness of the beach sands. Thousands of those who went in last spring were intent upon going to work on the beach and each one had a petty scheme of his own which he considered was the best method of separating the gold from the sand. The beach, however, turned out to be rich only a few miles on each side of Nome and that had all been worked before the rush came in last summer. Gold could be found almost anywhere along the beach, but it was not rich enough for these men who had come in to make millions in a few months. More than 50 per cent of the 37,000 people who landed at Nome in 90 days last spring, never went a mile away from the city of Nome. Those who had made the most clamors when any small delays occurred on the way up were now the first ones to denounce the country as a failure. One man who came off a ship and was landed on the beach picked up a handful of sand and looked at it carefully, not seeing any nuggets as large as hen's eggs, he exclaimed, "I knew it was all a d----d fake about the gold being found on the beach." Too many of those who rushed
in expected to find the gold hanging around on trees and fortunes already made to order for them. But in Nome it is like it is most everywhere else in the world. Good, honest toil is what brings success. Those who went to work looking for gold in a good, systematic way were rewarded by discovering several new rich creeks.

It must not be understood that most of the gold has been discovered in Alaska yet. The riches which lie hidden there have only just begun to show themselves. A young man who is willing and able to work and put up with a few discomforts certainly stands a better show there than he does anywhere else in the world. There are two things that go with every mining camp which he must leave alone if he would hope for success and they are, whisky and the gambling table.

There is something about gold digging which, when once commenced, makes it almost impossible to tear one's self away from it. The prospector lives on hope, something very slim, especially in a cold climate. If he has a narrow pay-streak today it will surely grow tomorrow and so it goes from day to day. One of the greatest beauties of the work is that a man who enriches himself in that way does not make anyone poorer by his becoming richer. The gold which he obtains is stainless, it has not been squeezed out of the hands of the poorer classes. The gold miner takes his wealth from "mother earth" and thereby benefits the world in general as well as himself.

THOS. JENSEN.

FOOT BALL SEASON.

The football season of 1900 has passed into history. It has left behind remembrances both pleasing and otherwise.

The outlook for new material at the beginning of the season was not the brightest, owing to the failure of crops. Everyone predicted a scarcity of men and a poor team. But one by one, the old players began to drift in, until we had a very respectable line-up. Last year the management decided that if we were to accomplish anything in athletics and especially in football in this state, it would be necessary first of all to hire a capable and experienced coach. The wisdom of their decision as well as of their choice of coach has been very clearly demonstrated. Too much cannot be said in praise of the management for the systematic way in which they conducted the business and made the arrangements; nor can too much credit be given Coach Harrison for the work he has done in bringing the team into such fine condition and in giving Fargo a winning team.

This is the first year that A. C. has been on an equal footing with other colleges with respect to coaching and training quarters, and she has plainly shown what she can do if only given a chance.

The first few games of the season were only played for practice and are of no importance in determining the standing of the team. Out of the eight schedule games played, we won six, tied one, and lost one. This gives us a place high among the colleges of the northwest, other than the large universities.

The great game of the season to which everybody looked forward to was the one with U. N. D. For some time before the game there was much speculation as to the strength of the two teams, and as to the probable outcome of the game. But when the poor showing of the "U" against Hamline's defense and also her refusal to play Macalester for fear of being beaten and thus disheartening the team, were learned, the A. C. felt confident of victory.

But everything was not destined to pass off smoothly. Our manager, seeing by the papers that Flannigan had been playing with the "U" team and fearing that in their thirst for victory they might
overlook the fact that, by the Phelp's rules, he was disbarred from playing, wrote them a friendly epistle bringing these matters to their attention. The "U" manager answered by saying that they had never accepted the Phelp's cup and were consequently not bound by its rules; and that they were playing for the championship of the state. Such conduct seems very unsportmanlike, to say the least, especially as such statements are far from being the facts in the case. Last year, there was some little dispute as to whether or not Flannigan had played five years, but as there was only proof that he had played four, the matter was dropped with the understanding that it was to be his last year of play. The "U" team won the game and were willing, yes, anxious, to take the cup which they claimed was theirs from their having complied with the rules. Mr. Brannon, the manager, even went so far as to correspond with Mr. Phelps, setting a date upon which the cup could be presented. On that date they gave a banquet in his honor as the donor of the cup they had won and also gave him a picture of the winning team.

In view of all this, the ground on which the "U" manager seeks to justify their position seems almost childish. They undoubtedly accepted the cup and acknowledged the rules governing the contest for it as much as though there had been a written contract between them and Mr. Phelps. And now that they have violated the rules, they clearly have no right to contest for the cup unless Mr. Phelps is willing to permit them to do so again.

But not only in breaking the rules have they transgressed. Our manager gave them twenty-five tickets, which were to admit the players to the grounds, but the players suddenly became very magnanimous and concluded to give the tickets to their less fortunate brethren who thus gained entrance to the grounds first while the players followed in uniform. This may be "clean football" and "pure athletics," but it certainly looks very "cheap."

Being the state "U" and an older institution than ours, they have pushed themselves forward as a bright and shining example of pure athletics and clean football. They would do better to practice what they preach. Nothing will sooner kill football, or any sport for that matter, than ungentlemanly and unsportmanlike conduct.

ATHLETICS.

Remarks—"Just kum in off the farm, b'gosh; bin chasin' punkins—git out ma way; run over ye."—Call.

The management wishes to thank the High School football team and the Fargo College team for the aid they have given us in building up our team this season. Although the practice work with these teams was of mutual benefit yet it meant a great deal to us, and we sincerely hope to see our allies in the field early the coming year.

Basket ball has practice begun in earnest now. This is the earliest we have ever gotten into this work, we have a better chance than ever before of making this a successful season. We understand that Mr. Jim French will take a course with us the winter term. He will add considerable strength to the team.

The business men of Fargo showed their appreciation of the excellent work done by the football boys, in tendering them bountiful spreads at the different hotels of the city. Friday evening, Nov. 20, Messrs. Barnes and Fitzgerald served an elaborate six-course supper at the Hub. The repast lasted for about two hours, after which numerous toasts were given. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Saturday evening, Nov. 24, Hon. Geo. H. Phelps, the donor of the championship cup, tendered the boys a supper at
the Waldorf. Messrs. Brewer, Wheeler, Cameron, Bolley, McArdle, Leech and Worst were guests. An excellent meal was partaken of, after which the boys heartily cheered their benefactors.

Monday evening, Nov. 26, Mr. Alex Stern, a member of the College Board, showed his generosity to the boys by spreading before them an exquisite and elaborate meal at the Hub Restaurant.

All enjoyed an appetizing meal, and many cheers were heartily indulged in by the boys for the royal treatment they received.

Smarting under the sting of the first defeat of the season, the A. C. team met the Macalester College team on the Fargo grounds on Nov. 13, and administered a crushing defeat to the embryo preachers.

The day was bitterly cold and very disagreeable while the ground was frozen solid. A keen northwester swept across the field, so a large bonfire was built in a sheltered corner for the benefit of the spectators.

Macalester won the toss and chose the west goal, giving A. C. the kick off. The ball was downed on the Macalester 20-yard line. The A. C. defense was superb, and Macalester punted. A. C. obtained the ball, but fumbled, and Macalester, after two downs, again punted. Greene made a bad fumble on the 3-yard line, and a Macalester man fell on the ball. In two plays Macalester scored her only touchdown, but failed goal. During the remainder of the half the ball was in A. C.'s possession, being on the Macalester 15-yard line when half time was called. Score 5–0 in favor of Macalester.

In second half the A. C. boys scored a few minutes after play began, and from then until time was called Macalester was simply overwhelmed. Never for a moment was the A. C. goal in danger, while every play netted a gain of from 3 to 10 yards for the A. C. Macalester's famous line smashing guard, Brush, was frequently called on when Macalester had the ball, but his efforts were unavailing, as the A. C. line held like a stone wall. After three touchdowns had been scored a number of subs were played in place of some of the regular men. This, however, did not help Macalester any, as the subs immediately proceeded to add one more to the list of touchdowns, although they had but a few minutes to play. Frenen and Olsen at ends played a magnificent game, not a single play got around either end. On the offensive their work was equally good, Olsen having two touchdowns to his credit, and French one at the close of the game. Wilde, whose playing was one of the prettiest features of the game, added the remaining touchdown. The work of the line players in the game was simply magnificent, while end runs, hurdling, etc., by the Macalester men seemed to be the easiest thing that the A. C. backs had ever struck. Twenty minute halves were played, the final score being 22–5 in favor of the A. C. This game cost the A. C. management heavily, owing principally to the U. N. D. cancelling their game with Macalester, thereby forcing us to bear the whole expense or cancel our game. As season tickets had been sold with this game scheduled, the management decided to stand by those who had patronized us, and accordingly the game was played.

"To him who persevereth much shall be accomplished." After four years of absence championship is again our guest, and from what we hear it will take up a permanent abode with us.

Monday, Nov. 19, the annual state championship game was played by the University and the Agricultural College teams. With this game the season of the respective teams closed, and the game was a fitting climax to a successful season. It was considered the best exhibition of scientific football ever put up in the state, the contest being between two of the strongest teams that ever
battled for supremacy in this vicinity.

The visiting team was accompanied by a large crowd of rooters and football enthusiasts, and judging from the attitude of the visitors it was not difficult to surmise their belief that defeat was never known where I. lanagan stepped. "Confidence is a great stimulant, yet it will not do everything." Such was the conclusive draw by our friends; "After the Ball was Over." The game was set for 2:45 p.m., and although the weather was disagreeable a larger crowd had gathered than was ever witnessed at a football game in this state. When the opposing teams trotted onto the field, the din was terrific. Cheer after cheer arose from the crowd, and the competition between the rooters of the two institutions was a battle royal. All that could be heard from the U.'s rooters was "What's the matter with Flanagan?" and even this grew gradually fainter until it was heard no more, so the result for the A. C. rooters was in itself a minor victory for the institution. The weather was disagreeable, snow was falling at times hard and fast, the wind blowing from the northwest. Manager Bolley had the ground swept with the street-sweeping machine to put it in the best possible condition, for the contest. Yet, under the circumstances and the icy condition of the ground, the falling snow caused more or less fumbling.

E. H. Gordon of Cavalier was the referee and G. H. Cole of Minneapolis was umpire. With the exception of a slight mistake by Mr. Gordon in giving the U. five downs (in which they advanced the ball three yards) on the start off, the officiating of the game was beyond criticism, and the management and spectators appreciated the excellent work of the officials. Ere the ball had been in play three minutes the University team realized that it was "Up against the real thing." Although the majority of the University team had played together for the last four to seven years, it was manifest that it required eleven men to play the game. Flanagan and Frazier played a star game for the U. The former's punting and brilliant tackling being the only thing that kept the U. team in the game at all. The chief honor for holding the score down is due to him. Wardrope at tackle did some brilliant defensive work, and Wilcox, until his knee was hurt, was alert on both defensive and offensive.

The A. C. line was practically irresistible. Jensen, Sleight and Bagley held together like brickwork, and with aggressive vigilance resisted the attacks of the U. Schmidt made some sensational tackles, and made splendid gains on offensive. Wicks again added glory to his already famous record by plunging through the U. line for magnificent gains. French and Fowler at ends put up star work, the former clearly demonstrating that he had no equal on either team for speed. He made four excellent runs; one of eighty yards, in which he shook off Flanagan and Fitzmaurice and made a touchdown; two of thirty yards each, and one of twenty. Fowler put up the better defensive work and was the "foxy" boy of the team, keeping very cool at every stage of the game. Olsen, who was substituted for Fowler, played an excellent game.

The A. C.'s backs are the strongest combination that have ever represented the college. Greene at quarter deserves great credit for his excellent work in maneuvering the plays. His punting also showed up well in comparison with that of the mighty Flanagan. Wilde at right half played a mighty strong game, which by all was pronounced faultless. He adds wonderful strength to the home team. McGuigan at full back readily demonstrated his superiority as a line plunger and proved himself a fan at catching hurdlers. Manns at left half was always found in touch with the ball, and gained much for the home team on fumbles.

At the close of the game there was a remarkable demonstration on the part of
the Fargo enthusiasts. Coach Harrison and individual members of the team were hoisted on the shoulders of the crowd and cheered vociferously. As the horses, drawing the college bus, were leaving the grounds, they were seized, unhitched, and the enthusiastic crowd pulled the rig all the way down town, awakening the echoes with their shout of victory.

A pleasant reception was tendered the visiting players and friends of Agricultural College at Francis Hall in the evening, and a splendid time enjoyed by all.

THE GAME IN DETAIL.

First Half. A. C. won toss up and defended the west goal. U. kicked off resulting in a touch back. Ball taken out and punted to center by Greene. Caught by U. and after five downs (a mistake by Referee Gordon) a total gain of three yards was made. Ball went to A. C. and advanced by them ten yards, then lost on a fumble. The U. was tackled for losses on two downs and on third lost ball on a fumble. A. C. punted to 25-yard line and U. punted to center. Caught by A. C. Wicks 3 yards, Wilde 7, Manns 12, Wilde 6, Wicks 4, Wilde 3, A. C. penalized 10 yards for offside play. Ball lost on a fumble, and U. advanced 3 yards and then punted to A. C. 35-yard line. A. C. now took a bracer and made the following gains: Wilde 7, Wicks 5, Wilde 8, French 6, Wilde 5, Manns 10, French 39. The ball was now within 3 yards of a touchdown. Wicks is called upon, and in two heavy line smashes he is hurdled over for a touchdown. Greene failed a hard goal. Score 5-0. Time 24 minutes.

U. kicked off to 10-yard line, caught by Wilde. Manns 5, Fowler 6 yards. Greene punted to U. 25-yard line, where Fowler tackled the U. man. After two downs without gain, the U. punted to A. C. 40-yard line. After two downs Greene punted 30 yards, and Flanigan advanced ball to center. Here again the U. lost ground on second down and were penalized ten yards on off-side play, losing the ball on third down on an attempt at a trick play. A. C. now advanced by Fowler 5 yards, Manns 10, Wilde 5, Schmidt 11. After a few more plays the ball was on the U. 5-yard line. In two attempts the A. C. made no gain so Greene tried a drop kick for goal and failed. U. now kicked from 25-yard line to A. C. 30-yard line where the A. C. caught the ball and French, by a phenomenal end run around right, made a touchdown. Greene kicked goal. Score 11-0.

U. kicked to 15-yard line, where Greene caught and advanced 10 yards, then Wilde made 15, Wicks 3, Schmidt 3, Manns 7, Wicks 5, French 30, Manns 5, and Wicks 7 for a touchdown. Greene failed goal. Score 16-0.

Several substitutes were now put in to partake of the glory. The U. now kicked to A. C. 10-yard line, where Greene caught and carried to 35-yard line. A. C. now advanced 10 yards by scrimmages and lost ball on fumble. U. punted and Greene returned. U. lost ball on downs. Olsen now made a good run of 25 yards, and ball was lost on downs by A. C. Now Flanigan showed some remarkable punting. The A. C. fumbled and lost ball. Flanigan again kicked, but before play could be resumed the time was up with ball on A. C. 5-yard line. Score 16-0.

The line-up was:

A. C. University.
Fowler .......... r. e. .......... Pendergast
Schmidt .......... r. t. .......... Wardrope
Bagley .......... r. g. .......... Lempke
Jensen .......... c. .......... Frazier (Capt.)
Sleight .......... l. g. .......... Ward

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The time for the annual oratorical and declamation contests is rapidly approaching and very little preparation has apparently been made by any of the contestants. The holidays will afford a good opportunity to put a little extra time on the study of these things. Which do you think will benefit you most, a week spent in comparative idleness, or a week's moderate study devoted to one subject?

Our football record this year is one of which we are justly proud. Of a total of ten games played we won eight, tied one, and lost one. The state championship trophy, wrested in one of the most hard-fought games of the season, from our hereditary rival, the U. N. D., now belongs to us. All this is eminently gratifying to our college spirit. At the close of a season of success unparalleled in the history of our college, we wish to express our gratitude to all those who contributed to the auspicious outcome of our athletic contests. Special thanks must be tendered to our enthusiastic rooters, who so loyally and vociferously cheered to sustain the spirits of our team throughout the season. While extending them our thanks, however, we do not forget to ask for their assistance in our other athletic activities, i.e. the basketball contests. There is no valid reason why we should not win the city basketball league pennant this year. Nothing so stimulates an athletic team as student appreciation of their work. Let us then rally to the support of our basketball team and voice our appreciation in no uncertain tones.

The editor of our esteemed contemporary, The Student, of the U. N. D., in a recent editorial takes occasion to remark that anyone who has played with or against the "good full back" of the university football team must have a truer and better idea of athletics for so doing. We presume that the idea intended to be conveyed is that the playing of the above mentioned fullback is so clean and gentlemanly as to command respect for all athletics in general and the fullback in particular. The editor of The Student would have done better to consult the manager of the university eleven before publishing such an editorial, as there seems to be a difference of opinion between editor and manager. If necessary to refresh the editor's memory we should refer to Professor Blair's speech at the recent banquet given at the university to the football team, when, in reply to a toast "Our record," he said that there were some difficulties between Irish
and Indian at Fargo, "but, of course, the white man got the best of it." Such argument can be construed only as an attempt to evade a reply to the charge that the "good fullback" was guilty of foul playing in the Fargo game. That such was the case no one who witnessed the game can truthfully deny.

Educational centers throughout the country are deeply stirred by the dismissal of Professor Ross from his position as head of the department of economics at Leland Stanford, Jr., University. The reason for his dismissal is that he believes in the restriction of Asiatic immigration, while Mrs. Stanford, to whose millions the university owes its existence, holds a different opinion. Dr. Ross is above all things a scientific man. In his position as professor of sociology he has necessarily made a study of the social conditions of the human race and more particularly of those conditions affecting our own country. After a scientific study of the subject Dr. Ross came to the conclusion that Asiatic immigration should be restricted. Mrs. Stanford, however, for reasons known only to herself, holds different views, and apparently having decided that she knows what is best for young men to learn, will replace Dr. Ross with someone who holds to her opinion. The real question at issue in the educational world is not concerning the advisability of this method of procedure. The question rather is: Shall we have universities where the instructors are practically compelled to teach the views held by the founders of the universities, when those views are contrary to a scientific knowledge of the subject in question? Students of today are too intelligent to blindly accept the views of any one person as absolute and final, and if any millionaire university founder fondly imagines that students can be made to accept an education made to order to suit the ideas of another person, he will inevitably be disillusioned. We believe, with a California critic, that "In virtually dismissing Professor Ross from the faculty, Stanford University has forfeited the respect of the state and the educational world. We need universities, but not such universities as this. What we need most is men."

University of Minnesota Freshmen held a class meeting Dec. 8 to elect class officers and do up such other business as should come before the meeting. The Sophomores attempted to corner the business, whereupon the chairman of the meeting appointed the Freshmen class a committee of the whole to remove the Sophomores from the room. The committee acted promptly and effectually, removing not only the Sophomores but all other classmen who cared to participate. They removed some furniture also which appeared somewhat worse for the wear. Now both classes are wondering how much will be left of their "deposit fee."

A student of evolution will find some interesting matter by reviewing THE SPECTRUM from its inception. A gradual change not only in kind of material but in arrangement and amount. The covers will make quite a "crazy quilt." Some numbers indicate careful supervision and others seem to have issued from the press with little thought or care on the part of the editor or proof-reader. Certain subjects have been frequently discussed and are "live issues" today. In other cases suggestions from THE SPECTRUM have received immediate attention and existing evils, remedied. A college paper should be a power among the students just as a live metropolitan daily is a power in commerce and politics in the world. It should profit by past experience and increase in power with age. But to be successful it must have the confidence and support of both student body and faculty. We aim to make THE SPECTRUM worthy of your confidence and we crave your support.
ATHLETICS.
(Continued from page 42.)

Wicks .................1. t .......... Hancock
French .................1. e .......... Carpenter
Greene .................q. h .......... Skualson
Manns (Capt.) ............t. h .......... Fitzmaurice
Wilde ..................1. h .......... Wilcox
McGuigan ...............f. b .......... Flanagan

Timekeepers—Kaufman and Morrison.
The game was very clean throughout with one exception, when the star player of the U. humbled himself so lowly as to indulge in slugging.

SUMMARY OF GAME.

U.—Entire game:
First downs gained ...........3
Ground gained by rushes ........30 yards
Ground lost by rushes ..........8 yards
Ground gained by end runs ...21 yards
Ground gained by punts .......251 yards
Number of punts ...............3
Carried back ..................0
Ground gained by penalties ...30 yards
Ground lost by penalties ......10 yards
Ball lost on fumbles ...........4
Ball lost on downs .............2

A. C.—Entire game:
First downs gained ..........29
Ground gained by rushes ......176 yards
Ground lost by rushes ........5 yards
Ground gained by end runs ...251 yards
Ground gained by punts ......117 yards
Number of punts ..............3
Carried back ..................46 yards
Ground gained by penalties ...10 yards
Ground lost by penalties ......30 yards
Ball lost on fumbles ..........7
Ball lost on downs ............2

SUMMARY OF GAMES.
A. C. .... 10—Moorhead Normal ... 0
A. C. .... 18—Alexandria A. A. .... 0
A. C. .... 29—St. Cloud Normal ... 11
A. C. .... 12—St. Paul Central High 11
A. C. .... 6—Dakota U. (S. D.) ... 6
A. C. .... 11—Fergus Falls A. A. ... 5
A. C. .... 11—Hamline University ... 18
A. C. .... 40—Fargo College ....... 0
A. C. .... 22—Macalester College ... 5
A. C. .... 16—U. of N. D. ........... 9

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Be ye prepared for final exam.
Ask Miss Berg why she felt so sad about the bananas.
The daily program for the work of the winter term will soon be posted.
Miss Sorenson. Well, you see I'm so slow, that I can't hear any joshes.
During December several of the faculty are attending farmers' institutes.
We are glad to receive good reports from "Stub" Paulson, who is located at Cando.
Professor McArdle and L. R. Waldron attended the educational meeting in Valley City.
Miss Senn presented an instructive paper before the educational meeting in Valley City.

We present our compliments to the "U" and congratulate them on their new military detail.
The football team and subs had a picture taken by Judd shortly after winning championship honors.
Coach Harrison of the football team left for Minneapolis on Wednesday, Nov. 21. Sorry to see you go, Jack. See you next year.
E. D. Stewart, our young Demosthenes, has returned to resume his studies. We hope he will orate to as good effect as he did last year.
As the end of the term is fast approaching it is daily expected that the choir will sing, that old familiar song, so suggestive in its meaning, "Work for the Night is Coming."
Where is our Mandolin Club?

Mrs. Burnam was on hand to sing the new college song when Mr. Phelps presented the cup to the football team.

The increase in the military department has resulted in a new company and Captain Ulio expects to organize still another for the winter term.

Query. If it takes Flannagan seven years to gain six and one-third credits at the "U," how long will it take him to gain sixteen credits and graduate?

One of the most enjoyable features of the past month was a dancing party given to the students by Mr. and Mrs. Beals, at the dormitory. The music was furnished by Schirrmann's orchestra, and a delightful time was experienced by all present.

Letters have been received from many of our former students and football players, expressing their gratification over the result of the A. C.-U. N. D. game. Among those heard from are, D. Bottenfield, T. H. Heath, C. J. Phelan, Roy Yeater, and others.

Willie Wicks, the driver of the college bus, finding his duties too heavy for him on the night he drove the bus out to the Smyth farm, engaged an assistant for the evening. We absolutely refuse to tell who she was. If you want to know you'll have to ask Willie.

One of the jolliest sleighing parties of the season was that made up of six young gentlemen who went out to the party at Smyth's after the Chemical Club meeting. If you wish to learn the particulars just ask O. A. Thompson. P. S. We won't guarantee the questioner from personal injuries.

The advisory board of the Athletic Association voted stars to Messrs. Sleight, Jensen, Bagley, Schmidt, Fowler, Olsen, Wilde, McGuigan, Cronan and Probstfield, for general excellence in athletics. Messrs. French, Wicks, Greene and Manns were fortunate in receiving them early in the season.

Mr. Geo. H. Phelps and sister visited the various departments of the college on Dec. 7.

Professor McArdle was slightly indisposed last Monday morning, and could not meet his regular classes.

Fred Jensen did not go home on Thanksgiving. We wonder why. It is rumored, however, that he will go home for Christmas, though not alone.

Professor and Mrs. Shepperd have decided that it is more satisfactory to board than to keep house so have closed their home on Seventh street north and have rooms at the Perry House.

Fred Sleight went home Thanksgiving to attend the wedding of his brother, John, a former A. C. student. He says that John bore up wonderfully under the trying ordeal. We extend the congratulations of the student body to the happy couple.

Make it a point to learn some college songs. They are always in order and a source of a great deal of enjoyment. Even though you sing but little you can get satisfaction by being able to join with a lot of college fellows in a song which relates especially to the school in which you have spent months or years.

The students remaining at the college over Thanksgiving enjoyed an impromptu dance on Friday evening at the drill hall. A small but select crowd was present, and joy reigned unconfined until half past twelve, when the majority of the dancers went home and the promoter of the dance gazed sadly into the future as he mentally figured up the deficit.

Get a copy of "Mother Goose" and become familiar with the characters delineated in that classic work. The choir is hard at work on an opera which will be presented during the winter term and which will introduce many of these interesting and unique characters. Professor McArdle and Mrs. Burnam are very much elated over the prospects for a large musical organization for the winter term.
Fred (in a stage whisper) Say, Tom, is Miss S—at school today?

The Phelps Cup will be placed in a small glass cabinet and displayed in the college hall.

Flirtations in the reception room of the main building don't go when Professor Bolley is around.

The Botanical Department will soon issue a bulletin containing a complete catalogue of the state flora, so far as at present known.

L. R. Waldron made a business trip to Minneapolis last Saturday. While there he attended the performance of "Lohengrin," by the Grau Opera Company.

The bacteriology class has appointed an official spotter, whose business it will be to supply the class with sundry specimens of bacteria from epidermal suppurations.

The athletic association at their annual election, on Friday, Dec. 7, elected the following officers for the coming year: President, O. A. Thompson; vice president, L. B. Greene; secretary, J. F. Jensen; treasurer and custodian, T. F. Manns; general manager of athletics, Prof. H. L. Bolley. The members elected to represent the association on the advisory board are: Messrs. Thompson, Manns and McGuigan. A partial report of the finances for the year was submitted by the general manager, and accepted.

Mr. Geo. H. Phelps, donor of the Phelps Cup, visited chapel on the morning of Nov. 27, and in a rather humorous speech, that was thoroughly enjoyed by all, presented the well-won trophy to the football team. Captain Manns made a brief speech of acceptance, thanking Mr. Phelps for the kindly interest he has manifested in our athletic undertaking. President Worst and Professors Bolley and Keene also made short speeches, and the choir assisted in the general jubilation by rendering a selection which had been specially adapted for the occasion.

T. F. Manns has decided not to return home for the holidays, but to devote the time to oratorical work.

President Worst and Professor Kaufman attended a farmers' institute at Devils Lake on Dec. 7.

Miss Reynolds and Messrs. Fowler and Greene spent Thanksgiving at Sheldon.

L. R. Waldron visited the herbarium of the Valley City Normal School on Nov. 30. The visit was made in connection with the work on the bulletin about to be issued by the Botanical Department.

The Misses Smyth tendered a house party to a joyous crowd of their student friends, at their residence north of the college, on Friday evening, Dec. 7. The evening was pleasantly passed with games and dancing until 12 o'clock, when a sumptuous repast was served by the charming hostesses. After supper dancing was resumed and continued until the wee sma' hours, when the guests returned home, tired, but happy, and with only words of praise for their genial entertainers.

One morning not long ago, some students in the botanical laboratory were startled to hear a low moan proceeding apparently from the professor's office. On investigation it was found that the professor had just opened a letter, from the medical attendant of the football team, in which was written, in large letters, "To splints and bandages, $116." Verily the way of the general manager is hard.

After the athletic association meeting on Friday, Dec. 7, the football team and substitutes held a meeting and re-elected Captain Manns for the season of 1901. Nearly all the members of the champion team of 1900 will return next fall and with the new material that will surely be present will be able to give Grand Forks a run for their money despite the fact that the game will be played on hostile ground.
The first oration of the season was delivered in chapel on Dec. 11 by A. W. Fowler, who took the life of Gladstone as a subject.

The girls in the sewing department are said to be busy sewing on sleeves. This is a sure indication that they will soon be tacking on (to) sleeves.

Jensen says he has been made the victim of a vile conspiracy which threatens to seriously interfere with his future happiness. We did not learn the details, but are informed that loud talking in the reading room had something to do with it.

The indefinite quantity of turkey and other questionable delicacies consumed at various places by "Snake" Olsen on Thanksgiving, proved too much for his gastronomic system, and the aforesaid "Snake" has gone home to Sanborn to recuperate. Later: He is said to be recovering.

Our genial professor of household economics, on being asked by a young lady student why she did not tender a dinner to the husky football players, stared in amazement at her questioner, and replied in a frightened whisper: "My goodness, they'd eat too much," and the egg-beater fell to the floor with a sickening thud.

The November *Pythian* has a very taking picture on the front cover. If the picture is true to life all we can say is that we would not object to playing football at that institution.

*The Tennessee University Magazine* contains some very good articles, several of which are illustrated. This is something that is omitted in most college papers, though it should not be, as it adds much to the interest of the paper.

*The Student* pays a nice compliment to our girls in an editorial intended to awaken enthusiasm among athletic lines among the members of the fair sex at U. N. D.

There are several good poems in the November *Georgetownian*, the one entitled "Her Wedding Day" being perhaps the best.

"That," said the Well Informed Young Man, "is a gartersnake."

"That little thing!" exclaimed the Modest Maiden, incredulously. "Why it's ever so much too small!"

The silence which followed was broken at last by the dull thud of a pin.

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Little Girl: "Yes, please, sir."

Druggist: "Anti-bilious?"

Little Girl: "No, uncle is.—Ex.
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