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MEMORIAL BUILDING

Local newspapers of the last ten days carried stories to the effect that a movement was on foot to finance the proposed athletic stadium out of funds collected and designated for the construction of a building upon the campus designed to memorialize Kentucky's soldiers who lost their lives in the service of their country in the World War, provided the committee that collected the Memorial funds would agree to this step and the donors thereof should not object to such use of these funds.

Up to the present time the Kernel is informed that about \$100,000 in round numbers of the \$300,000 necessary to erect a memorial building has been collected after virtually three years of effort, leaving \$125,000 of the

required amount still uncollected, the net result being that funds now in hand are lying idle, altho drawing interest, that a memorial building can not be erected for the sum in hand, and that the University stands at this late day without either the designed memorial building or the stadium which it perhaps much more needs. A memorial building for the University of Kentucky was one of the very fine visions of our president which seemed possible of realization, very much to the surprise of all, the people have not responded financially to the call as both he and the supporters of the movement had a right to expect.

When it is recalled that out of virtually \$100,000 collected for this purpose that \$100,000 was raised by citizens alone who underwrote a bond issue that was adopted for popular vote but declared invalid by the Court of Appeals, it can be seen how unsatisfactory the response outside Lexington and Louisville has been.

It is without question that the University of Kentucky is vastly in need of a stadium. In ten years it loses by not having space to entertain basketball crowds alone, more than would pay interest upon the entire amount of money necessary to build the stadium. The University suffers in prestige by comparison with sister universities that contest athletically with her and she is confronted with the danger of not being able to bring outstanding teams of her class and football contests here because we are not sufficiently prepared to seat profitably the crowds that they have been in the habit of playing to in their own home towns.

The Kernel believes that it would be difficult indeed to collect by any process to pay for a stadium upon our ground. The memorial fund is already collected in a sufficient sum to build a most imposing stadium where all outside athletic contests and activities might be housed and played profitably and properly.

The Kernel believes that upon first flush that any step looking toward the transferring of Memorial funds for this purpose should be taken with due caution and only after donors of those funds have agreed that they be so used; but if such agreement could be reached we cannot conceive of a loftier memorial to Kentucky's soldier dead than to erect upon this campus a memorial in the form of a stadium where physical manhood of our state could be built and made to enjoy the full benefits of such training.

Indeed we go far enough to say that we believe that promoters of and don-

ors to the memorial fund if properly approached will agree that a memorial of this nature that can be erected upon funds already on hand; the better alternative than to defer the memorial until funds sufficient to carry the original project shall have been procured, indeed if they are ever collected.

We are quite aware that there may be some opposition to this step and we are assured that it is not the University's purpose to over-ride the wishes of a single donor to use these funds for a purpose to which such donors are opposed.

Frankly the Kernel would like to see frank and open discussion on this very vital point.

BEARCATS ARE VICTORS OVER KENTUCKY SQUAD

Riefken is Outstanding Star of Contests for the Cat Team.

The Wildcat five went down in defeat at the hands of the University of Cincinnati Bearcat five Monday night at Cincinnati by a 33-24 count. Riefken was the outstanding star of the contest, getting 14 of the Blue and White totals. His work was closely followed by that of Willie Poyntz, who made four fouls out of as many attempts besides making one field goal. Baildon at guard for the Bearcats was the luminary for his quintet. The score at the end of the first half was 12-10, with the Cincinnati crew on the heavy side.

While the work of the Cats was not of the best, this was more than offset by the work of Riefken at forward. A Cincinnati dispatch said of the Covington youth: "In the face of defeat Riefken was the outstanding player of the entire contest. He made seemingly impossible shots, shooting several fine goals from the most difficult territory.

The summary:
Kentucky 24 Cincinnati 33
Riefken 14 F. Hibarger 6
Poyntz 6 F. Hoy 4
Fest 4 C. Linneman 6
Rice G. Hachen 6
Burnham G. Baildon 9

Substitutions—Kentucky: Spillman for Poyntz; Cincinnati: Haynes for Hibarger, Jones 2 for Hoy.

CY BARGER CHOSEN AS DIAMOND MENTOR 1923

Former Transy Star to Coach Cats This Year—To Arrive Soon

The Athletic Council of the University announced at its recent meeting that it had secured the services of Cy Barger, former Transylvania star and now well up in baseball circles, to act as diamond mentor for the Cats next season. Barger succeeds Coach Jim Parks, who is devoting all his time to the Lexington Club of the Blue Grass League.

Barger was a member of the famous Barger and Barger battery at Transylvania years ago and gained quite a reputation at the school. Barger is now playing in the Southern Association and will continue to do so until after the collegiate year is ended, either as manager or player.

Coach Barger will arrive in Lexington some time in the near future to take up his work and will probably issue a call for pitchers and catchers immediately after his arrival. He will have quite a bit of work ready for him as the 1923 team will be made up almost entirely of new men.

Barger is a native Kentuckian, claiming Columbia, Ky., as the place he hangs his hat.

U. K. BAND GIVES RADIO

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were given by Messrs. DeCoursey, Clemm and Heavrin. The program concluded with "My Old Kentucky Home," a special request from the University of Kentucky Radio Club.

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