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ATHLETIC UNION FOR COLLEGES.

Plan to Reorganize the State League.

A definite movement was recently begun to re-establish the Maryland Intercollegiate League, which some years ago was very successful for a time, but which for different causes finally went out of existence. It is proposed that St. John's, Western Maryland, Maryland Agricultural and Washington Colleges should become members of the league and that annual championship contests should be arranged in football and baseball and possibly field and track athletics.

Prof. James W. Cain, president of Washington College, who is entirely in the confidence of the friends of St. John's, with which institution he was so long connected, expressed himself as being heartily in favor of the movement. This feeling is shared by Prof. B. Vernon Cissel, vice-president of St. John's, who, since the departure of Professor Cain, has been the leading authority on athletics at St. John's. Overtures will be made shortly to the authorities of Maryland Agricultural and Western Maryland Colleges for the purpose of ascertaining their attitude toward the proposed league.

The prime idea of the proposed organization is to form a league of collegiate institutions which, on account of the relative number of students in attendance, can put athletic teams on the field which should meet with equal chances, or in other words are in the same class. It is designed that the body can pass such eligibility rules as will insure that the membership of all teams will be absolutely bona fide, and consequently the State collegiate championship in any branch of athletics can be definitely determined on a perfectly fair basis. It is not believed that any irregularity exists in the teams mentioned, but it is thought that if all of the schools enter into an agreement upon the matter which is sanctioned by the faculties that the eligibility of a player will be exactly defined and future temptation to depart from pure college athletics will be avoided.

OLD LEAGUE DISORGANIZED.

The old league became disorganized chiefly because a number of the institutions composing it failed to put teams in the field regularly and the membership became reduced to practically two institutions—Western Maryland and St. John's. Now it is believed that the four colleges mentioned can be relied upon to put teams regularly in the field for an indefinite period, and the four should make possible most interesting contests.

It has been suggested that the scope of the league might be widened a little and Gallaudet and Delaware Colleges invited to enter. This is one of the subjects that will be discussed if a preliminary meeting of the college representatives could be arranged. The admission of these two, particularly that of Gallaudet, the deaf-mute institution of Washington, would add great interest to the working of the league. Still it is urged that it might be better to confine membership absolutely to Maryland institutions.

Johns Hopkins University was a members of the former league and at different times there were applications for admission from some of the Baltimore schools. The feeling among the promoters of the league is, however, that none of these will be invited to enter the league unless Hopkins would put a team of undergraduates exclusively on the field. Anything else, it is thought, would prevent the teams meeting on a fair basis and would defeat the main object of the league.

MILLINGTON MATTERS.

M. and Mrs. R. W. Comegys announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary R., to Mr. James Edward Spear, to take place Wednesday, Jan. 6, at the Protestant Episcopal Church, at 3 o'clock P. M. No cards.

Miss Bessie Hurlock is spending the holidays with her parents.

Miss Eva Comegys has returned home for the holidays and will remain home until March 1, when she will return to Armstrong and Cators, where she holds a position.

Misses Pearle Aberu, a student of Lutherville Female College, and Ruby, of Western Maryland College, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Aberu.

Miss Margaret Jones has returned from Oseoila, Florida, where she has had charge of a store for Armstrong & Cator.

Miss Mary Hazell, of Armstrong & Cator, Baltimore, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hazell.

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2-Hoops 15c.
Sausage Stuffers and Lard Presses.
8 quarts, were $5.75 now $5.00
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