

ATHLETICS.

From 1917
The Round Up

Basket Ball.

The first excitement and enthusiasm in athletics after the beginning of school was over the game of basket ball. In October boys and girls' teams were organized and very bravely and confidently did these boys and girls send out challenges to teams of neighboring schools.

Yes, the girls were brave, but they forgot they had lost four of the best players from the past year and hadn't the same material to work with. However, they practiced hard against the town team and though they did not schedule a game, they did some hard fighting. A few match games were played with other teams and some quick and skillful team work was performed by the girls of the D. H. S., but the season ended without having won a game.

Our D. H. S. boys surprised us this year by winning their first match game of the season. The girls had always carried off the honors in this game, but through the pep of their captain and the faithful coaching by Mr. J. A. Desel, the boys made a good start.

New and handsome suits, ornamented with the D. H. S. emblems in royal blue and white, were prescribed and the boys made a creditable spectacle on the court practicing their high jumps, goal shots and team work. Though the prospects were good for a winning team, lack of time prevented these boys from reaching the "top notch." This disadvantage shortened the season for both teams, but they are hoping to do better work next year.

Base Ball.

Base ball practice soon occupied the recess time of the boys and the first game was played with League City. Out of five games played, only one was lost. The D. H. S. boys play a good, clean game, having an exceptional tendency for "catching flies."

A game between League City second team and Dickinson second team was played at the picnic grounds on April 20, at the D. H. S. picnic. The game was won by Dickinson team.

Croquet.

The front of the school campus is occupied by a court of great importance. At every recess this is the scene of a crowd of happy little folks engaged in the game of croquet. This game seems very simple, but it also requires skill for good playing.

Tennis.

In February an announcement was made that a spring tennis tournament would be played the first week after school. Immediately the attention of the High School pupils turned to tennis, a dozen or more members were taken into the club, the court was limed, new backstops put up and practice commenced. By the end of school many players had become very skillful in the use of the tennis racket and it was hard to judge who would be victorious in the approaching tournament. However, the following week "told the tale," for three courts were kept busy and the grand finals were played on Saturday, April 25th. The finals were played by Miss Kathryn Stearns and Lawton Deats vs. Miss Beulah Owens and Albert Parke. Two exciting sets were played, in which Miss Owens and Mr. Parke were the winners. They were each awarded with a handsome racket, presented by Miss Alice Burgess in behalf of the Tennis Club, of which she is a member. Tennis will continue all summer and it is hoped that a more exciting summer tournament may take place in August.