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## HIGH SCHOOL FIELD DAYS APRIL 26, 27 EIGHTH ANNUAL MEET

**Largest Representation on Record Expected in Oratorical and Track Contests**

April 26 and 27 the University will play host to the eighth annual meet of the Inter-High School Athletic and Oratorical Association of South Carolina.

Beginning in 1910 the first four meets consisted only of track events. In 1914 an oratorical contest was added and in 1916, championships in baseball, football, and basket ball. At the last contest forty-five schools were represented by over one hundred and fifty contestants. A larger number is expected to be present this year.

Free entertainment will be provided by the University for the representatives, and all contests will be staged under the supervision of the Carolina committee on athletics.

This gathering of the most promising young athletes and orators of the state affords our students an excellent opportunity to make friends for themselves

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## Y. M. C. A. ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

**J. H. Martin Becomes President Following Training Conference**

At the last meeting of the Y. M. C. A. the following officers who had been nominated a week previous were elected: president, J. H. Martin; vice-president, J. C. Kearse; secretary, A. P. Talley; treasurer, Mack K. Barr.

These men will take office immediately after the State Officers' Training Conference which will be held at the University March 25-27.

The purpose of the conference is to fit the officers elect for the discharge of their duties. It will be attended by two delegates from each student Y. M. C. A. in the state.

The conference will be led by Dr. W. D. Weatherford, H. S. Elliot, A. M. Trawick, International secretaries of the Y. M. C. A., J. W. Bergthold, state student secretary, and Rev. Walter C. Edman of the Student Volunteer Movement.

## INDIANS CLAIM TITLE OF STATE CHAMPIONS

**Defeat Gamecocks in Beautiful Basketball Game**

**Largest Crowd Witnesses The Fastest Game Seen on Local Court in Years**

In a hard fought contest which stands as an exhibition unequalled on the local floor this season, the Newberry Indians cinched their claim to the basket-ball championship of the State last Wednesday night by defeating Carolina 44 to 33. A large crowd, including a considerable number of Newberry students, were on hand, and from the very opening of play the "rooting" was terrific and practically continuous.

After the first toss-up, the ball was in play several minutes before a goal was counted. Soon Carolina scored a field goal, which was followed quickly by another by Newberry. Then it was that the spectators were furnished with positively hair-raising play, for the game was twelve minutes old before the tie was broken. Finally Carolina succeeded in tossing a goal, but this advantage was immediately wiped out, and thus the game progressed until just before the end of the half. At this point, the Indians seemed to become dazzled by the fast passing of the locals, and when the referee's whistle sounded for the end of the half, the score-board showed Carolina 19, Newberry 13.

Both teams entered the last half with a rush, the Gamecocks resolved to hold their advantage, and the Indians bent on overcoming this six-point lead. For a short time, it was a "nip and tuck" affair, each scoring an equal number of points. Then, as if touched with new life, the Newberry five began an aggressive drive, scoring point after point until the score stood 28 to 28. The University lads never for a moment stopped fighting, but the onslaught of their opponents was too great to be checked, and after the score was once tied, the Indians had things their way. All attempts to overcome the lead failed, and the game which Referee Van Meter spoke of as the fastest he had seen in five years ended with the visiting quintet victorious 44 to 33.

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## GAMECOCKS WIN ONE LOOSE TWO ON TRIP

**Small Floor and Double Bill Prove Too Much**

**Loose to Citadel and Porter but Overwhelm Charleston College in Charleston**

The Gamecocks trip to the city-by-the-sea proved rather disastrous as the closing bill of the basketball season, losing to Citadel on Friday night and splitting a double bill on Saturday afternoon. The Bulldogs defeated Carolina 41 to 17 while Porter won in a whirlwind finish 34 to 32 and Charleston College was overwhelmed 26 to 6.

### Citadel Carolina

The Citadel was too much for the Gamecocks on the Charleston court winning handily by the score of 41 to 17. The Fosterites were at a loss on the small floor and never threatened the lead gained by the Bulldogs at the outset. Captain Bowen was again out of the line-up because of injuries but Means who took his pace did the best work for the Gamecocks. Martin and Sims also played stellar ball. Wood, Weeks, and Crouch starred for Citadel.

### Charleston Carolina-Porter

The Gamecocks tried to swallow too big a dose in taking on two formidable teams in succession. They succeeded in winning the first game handily 36 to 6 but after starting the second game with a good lead, went stale and allowed Porter to win out with a wonderful spurt just as the whistle blew 34 to 32.

For Carolina Martin, Sims and Waring played beautiful games. For Charleston Rogers and Coker played the best ball. Skinner and Goodman starred for Porter.

## STATE ORATORICAL PRELIM. NEXT WEEK

**Gamecock to be Day Late to Include the Results**

The preliminary to choose Carolina's representative in the State Oratorical Contest will be held next Monday night in chapel. The chapel representatives of the two literary societies will be selected on Friday and Saturday nights in the Euphradian and Clariosophic halls, respectively.

THE GAMECOCK will be a day late with the next issue in order

## FOSTER HAS ISSUED CALL TO DIAMOND

**1917 PROSPECTS BRIGHT**

**Practice Started This Week With Lots of Material, But More is Needed.**

Baseball started yesterday following the call for candidates issued by Coach Foster last week. There is an abundance of material on hand from last year's varsity and scrubs, and the freshman class should deliver at least a few first class players. There seems to be some doubt as to pitchers, but Coach Foster is wonderfully adapted to developing new material and those who know him are not worried.

"Our prospects for a team are bright, if we can unearth some pitchers. Tell every man who has ever thrown a ball or caught one, to come out on the field. Baseball, not politics, wins a place on Carolina's team." These are the encouraging words of Captain "Mack" Horton in regard to baseball practice which began this week. "Since the freshmen were declared eligible," is Manager Kerr's good word, it looks bright for our team."

A large part of our infield is back this year. Seaborn and Simril may be seen squatting behind home plate in our games this year. Captain Horton or Seaborn will be reaching after the high ones over first base. Sims will play second, while third and short stop have as yet no claimants. Manager Kerr, Bob Waring, Browning, and Chandler are some of the old heads to play far out on the green. Hogan, an old Furman man, "Toots" Waring, Waters, George Brown, Wolfe, Tony, and possibly Horton and Seaborn are some available pitching material.

Candidates for the team and the student body as a whole are enthusiastic. Coach Foster urges every man who knows he can, thinks he can, or has been told he can play baseball to get into a uniform and come out. Coach Foster has shown by both his football and baseball products that he can develop raw material into good players.

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