

# BASE BALL SEASON WILL OPEN SOON

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## CLOSE OF BASKET BALL SCHEDULE—ATTENTION TURNS TO SUMMER SPORT.

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A Canvass of Material—Seven of Last Year's Regulars, and Many New Men at Hand.

The unusually fine spring weather of the past week has turned the thoughts of college men to the great summer sport, base ball. Every evening for the past week a number of men have been enthusiastically tossing and batting the ball about the diamond. Unless the Oratorical Contest is held in Ottawa, March 12, the basket-ball game, with Kansas Wesleyan last Wednesday night closed the season for the Ottawa men's team, and Coach Wann will at once direct his attention to track and base-ball.

An attempt has been made to get a line on the men who will make material for the base-ball squad, and an unusual number of promising aspirants have been found. Of last year's team seven men are at hand, and already working for their positions: Capt. F. Price, third base; Rishel, second base; F. Martin and George, firstbase; Dietrich, center field; O. Coe and, Brannan, pitchers.

Among the new men Roush has a record as a twirler that makes him a sure regular. Last summer in a game between Ottawa and Princeton, he pitched against Hamilton, who has been signed by the Kansas City Blues, striking out eleven men, while Hamilton struck out fifteen. The game was a pretty exhibition of base-ball and the Ottawa men, "sluggers," so the dope may be relied upon as indicating what the man can do. Other men, who are trying for the team are: Rice, a fast little short stop; A. Martin, who played left-field on the 1907 team; M. Alderman, and

W. Alderman, who have received training on the Ottawa high school team; Lundy, Pruitt, Gregg, Germaine C. Pierce, Benge, and C. Martin a promising back stop.

Coach Wann, as chairman of the Athletic Committee has the schedule for the season almost complete. It consists of about 20 games. Two trips have been arranged, one of six games through Missouri, and one of five games through southern Kansas, including Oklahoma University.

A large order of base ball supplies was made sometime ago by the Student Council, including a complete outfitting of new uniforms.

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