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TONIGHT

IOWA vs. ILLINOIS

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IOWANS ARE LEADERS IN DEBATING LEAGUE

HAVE CLEAR MARGIN IN NUMBER OF VICTORIES

Have Won Seven Debates and Lost Three—No Defeats Met in Last Three Years

Will Iowa continue to rank first in the Central Debating Circuit? The anwser to that question will come in the decisions of the judges in the two contests for which the Iowa teams are scheduled tonight. Unless Minnesota or Illinois should make a better showing in their debates than Iowa does, Iowa will continue to hold the top position. Both of those universities, however, have a good chance to gain the coveted honor.

Since the Central Debating Circuit wos formed in 1906, Iowa has won seven debates and lost three. No other school in the circuit has won more than five. The three debates in the loss column were held in the first two years of the existence of the circuit. In 1906 Iowa entered the combination after a long series of defeats in individual contests which were then being carried on with five other universities under the management of the old debatng league. After such discouragements as had come to the debaters it was not remarkable that Iowa lost both debates the first year losing to Minnesota and Wisconsin by unanimous decisions in both instances. The following year the fortunes of the debaters began to pick up, and in the final contests Iowa defeated Illinois by a unanimous decision but suffered a defeat of similar proportions at the hands of Nebraska.

Since 1907 Iowa has not lost an inter-collegiate debate. In the six debates that have taken place fifteen votes have been cast in favor of Iowa out of a possible eighteen. Coming into debate at the time when Iowa's fortunes were ebbing, such men as Luxford, Briggs and Starzinger put the force into forensic effort that was necessary to put Iowa on an equal footing with the other schools. They were followed by Stewart, one of Iowa's greatest debaters, Powell, Jones, Cunningham and other great debaters who successfully brought victory to Iowa.

In 1908 Wisconsin fell victim to the attack of the Iowa affirmative team by a three to nothing decision. and the Iowa negative team defeated Minnesota two to one. In 1909 Iowa defeated Nebraska here, two to one and Illinois at Urbana by a unanimous count. The history of the victories last year is well known when the affirmative team at home won over Minnesota in a brilliant fight by two votes, and the negative team de-

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DEPARTMENT BASKETBALL WILL BEGIN DECEMBER 16

League Schedule Outlined by Managers Yesterday

At a meeting of the department managers yesterday a schedule for the coming year was made. The first game will come a week from Saturday, December 16. Two games will be played on that date, engineers vs. dents and laws vs. L. A. Every Saturday after that two games will be played until the schedule is completed. The first game will be called at 2:30 and the second will follow immediately after the first.

A change was made by the managers yesterday which somewhat changed earlier arrangements. It was first reported that no "I" men would be allowed to play, but yesterday's meeting reversed this. Since there are but few "I" men who will likely enter the inter-department games it was decided to let them play. They are of different schools, however, which means that all the teams will be evenly matched. The schedule folows:

Dec. 16, engineers vs. dents and laws vs. L. A. Jan. 6, medics vs. pharmics and engineers vs. laws. Jan. 13, L. A. vs. pharmics and medics vs. dents. Jan. 20, engineers vs. L. A. and pharmics vs. laws. Jan. 27, medics vs. laws and dents vs. medics. Feb. 3, dents vs. L. A. and engineers vs. pharmics. Feb. 10, medics vs. engineers and dents vs. L. A. Feb. 17, medics vs. L. A.

To Speak at Church

The coming of Professor Charles F. Paul, principal of the Missionary Training school at Indianapolis, is of interest to the students. Secretary Williams says of him at the Lake Geneva conference last summer, "He secured the admiration of our strongest university men, during the ten days there." Professor Paul will speak at the Christian church on Iowa avenue, next Monday evening, at 7:30. His subject will be "The Present Situation in China." There is no charge for the lecture, though a silver offering will be received.

G. U. Committee Appointed

President J. G. Bowman yesterday announced the Greater University committee, which is as follows: John G. Bowman, chairman; faculty members—Dr. H. J. Prentiss, Dr. R. H. Volland, Dean Austin W. Scott and Prof. F. C. Ensign; alumni members, E. C. Robbins and Jacob Van der Zee; law—Raymond Murphy; liberal arts—Arlo Wilson, Edgar Ashton, Esther Thomas and Elizabeth Martin; medicine—W. M. White; homeopathic medicine—Anton Fried; dentistry—R. A. Fenton; pharmacy—P. K. Hagan; applied science—Philip Hazard; graduate college—David A. Anderson.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO AUDIT ACCOUNTS

ASHTON NAMES CHAIRMEN OF SENIOR COMMITTEES

Appointment of Auditing Committee Marks New Effort to Keep Track of Money

President Edgar Ashton of the senior class yesterday announced his appointments on the class committees for the year. Not all of the committees are completed as yet, but the more important ones are filled and the chairmen of the others are given out.

A new departure this year, and one which is indended to do away with much of the so-called graft in student politics, is the appointment of an auditing committee, which will have charge of the regulation of all funds which come in. The duty of this committee, which is the most important one in the entire list, will be to supervise the accounts of every other committee which has charge of any cash whatever, or which receives or handles money in any way. The auditing committee will go over the accounts, audit each voucher and make recommendations to the class as to the disposition of any surplus remaining in the hands of any of the committees.

The members of the committeee are: John Fisher, chairman; Stella Weimer, class financial secretary, secretary; Kate Munkhoff, Lynn Baker and Forest Reed.

Other committees appointed are: senior hop: Arlo Wilson, Robert Masson, Clifford Hakes, Paul Abrams, Richard Mitchell, Charles Prall, Ingalls Swisher, Leon Powers, F. F. D ugan, H. L. Johnson, J. C. Miller, Walter Cardell and H. R. Young.

The chairmen of the other committees will be:

Invitation—Ingalls Swisher.

Senior Sing—Anna Denzler.

Class Picnic—LeRoy Spencer.

Class Day Exercises—Esther Thomas.

Class Breakfast—Wm. Antes.

Class Play—Conger Reynolds, chairman and business manager of play.

Frolic—O. K. Patton.

Music—Dean Newcomb.

Social—R. N. Beebe.

Athletics—Chris Schmidt.

Memorial—John Hanna.

Class Picture—Dean Roller.

Is Looking for Teachers

Professor George N. Brooks, of the Normal school at Manila, Philippine Islands, is in Iowa City. He intends to engage several teachers for work in the Philippines while here, and will be at Professor Bolton's office in the liberal arts hall today.

REGIMENTAL SIGNAL CORPS IS POGRESSING WITH WORK

Men Are Learning Use of Flags and Mirror Signals

The most recent addition to the university regiment, the signal corps, is proving to be a valuable feature. Under the supervision of Cadet Captain Conroy the twelve men of the squad are praciticing nightly and are becoming fairly proficient in the mysteries of war telegraphy. At present drills are held outside and will be so continued until bad weather sets in. After that time the work will be continued in the armory until spring.

The men are now being instructed in wig-wagging or transmitting messages by the use of flags. This system is largely employed in the regular service and is valuable for ranges of less than one mile. The squad is separated into three divisions, each consisting of two receivers and two senders

After the flag work has been mastered, heliographing will be taken up. Heliographing is a method of transmitting messages or orders by means of mirrors. Word signs are flashed and received on a special type of mirror and the system is available for great distances. This feature makes it especially valuable in times of war. The object of the work in the university is not only to train the corps for service here but enable the men to take signal positions in the militia companies of the state.

Lecture Pleases

Professor Gustav Schoettle's lecture last evening on "The Suite" was listened to attentively by an interested audience. A suite was defined as several finished dances, such as were described in the last lecture, combined to make a composition of some length and dignity, and yet of popular and easily comprehensible style. In England they are known as "Lessons;" in France, "Orderes;" in Germany, "Suites" and "Partitas." Special attention was given in the lecture to the suites of Bach. Under Bach and Handel, it reached its highest state. Strangely enough these two composers were born in the same year, 1685. The next lecture will be given December 21.

Lectures Postponed

The lecture which Professor Bohumil Shimek was scheduled to deliver tonight will be postponed at least one week on account of Professor Shimek'e absence at the Lakeside Laboratory at Okoboji. The lecture of Professor Pearce will be delayed an equal length of time. There will be tonight voluntary reports by Professor Kay, Professor Thomas and others.

DEBATERS ARE READY FOR BATTLE TONIGHT

ILLINOIS SENDS STRONG TEAM FOR CONTEST HERE

Ashton, Masson and Patton Will Uphold Affirmative in the Home Clash

Two battles of great importance to this university will be waged this evening, one at Lincoln, Neb., and the other here in the natural science auditorium. They are the intercollegiate debate against the universities of Nebraska and Illinois on the question: "Resolved, That the United States Should Adopt a Policy of Shipping Subsidies."

The Illinois team which is coming here to meet the Iowa debaters is said to be a very strong one, and will put up a fight to win. The members are: R. G. Real, L. E. Frailey and A. V. Essington. It will certainly be no easy matter for Iowa to down her opponents and keep up the enviable record this school now holds in debating, but the men will do all in their power to bring about that result. The Iowa team which will meet Illinois is perhaps as strong as any ever put in the field by this school and under the coaching of E. C. Robbins it has been thoroughly prepared for a systematic attack and defense that will make its opponents hustle to win. The members themselves have put forth every effort possible to attain perfection, and nothing has been neglected that will help toward a victory.

The Iowa team which will fight for Old Gold is headed by J. E. Ashton, a member of Zetagathian literary society, who last year was a member of the debating team which defeated Wisconsin by a unanimous decision. R. L. Masson and O. K. Patton are the other two members of the team. Masson is also a Zetagathian, and, though he has not figured in inter-collegiate debates before, he has had considerable experience, being a member on the society junior team last year, and also winning the sophomore oratorical contest. Patton is a member of Irving Institute, which he represented last year in the junior debate.

The judges for the debate here will be: W. G. Hastings, dean of the college of law; E. B. Conant, professor of law; and C. E. Persinger, professor of American history all from the University of Nebraska. Professor F. C. Ensign will preside.

The results tonight will be watched with keen interest here, as the past record of Iowa in the clashes of the Central Debating Circuit have put debating into a very prominent place among the "sports" of the university. It is expected that the auditorium will be pretty well filled for the battle tonight.

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THE DEBATE TONIGHT

Iowa has an enviable reputation at stake this evening on the rostrum. For half a decade Iowa university has been engaged in amassing a record of victories in debating contests that has in all probability never been surpassed in point of numbers. The repeated successes of the past have been sweeping and decisive of the real merit that has been theirs.

It is understood that both opponents have teams of unusual merit and for that reason a bitter struggle is anticipated. Under these circumstances a victory will be significant of a hard, conscientious work which has been the lot of the several members of the teams for no inconsiderable time. But at the same time their chances for the final laurels are lessened, and the necessity of hard and careful thought made apparent. Besides, there is the added strain of a patriotic desire to uphold the past staring every speaker squarely in the face and stimulating him to do his utmost under penalty of establishing himself and his team as an exception to what has become well high a rule. It is confidently believed that it is well within the capacity of the present team to win. They have labored sedulously and are thoroughly cognizant of t he extreme duty that they are expected to perform.

The student body owes it to the honor of the university to attend the debate here tonight in the largest possible number. Moreover, the men on the teams should be done that deserving credit. A little enthusiastic encouragement may go a long way towards influencing the final outcome. It will stimulate in depressing moments, and reassure in others. It is, however, the earnest wish that the appreciation of the ability and effort displayed will not be painfully biased. Let both teams be cheered.

IOWA WELL REPRESENTED

Those who realize the importance of the American Physical Society to the development of physcics in this country, and also to the inspiring of teachers of physics, will be pleased to hear that the state university of Iowa had five representatievs of the staff and graduate students at the recent Thanksgiving meeting of the American Physical Society at Chicago. There were only a few institutions that had as large a representation, the physics department pretation, he physics department presented four papers which were well received. Only two other institutions furnished at many papers on original work as did the University of Iowa.

Philo Notice

Important business meeting tonight at 7:30 p. m. The Forensic League year tickets will be given out at this time.

Bowman Speaks at Waterloo

President J. G. Bowman leaves today for Waterloo, where he will be the speaker of the evening at a reunion of alumni of Iowa at that point. He will return Saturday.

Students Attention

The Ladies' Industrial Society of the Baptist Church will hold a Christmas Bazaar in the church parlors Friday, Dec. 8.. Aprons, dolls, Japanese hand paintings, home made candy, etc., for sale. Lunch will be served. 12-8

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VARSITY DANCE

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COMING EVENTS

Dec. 8. Inter-collegiate debates, 8 p. m.

Dec. 10. Vesper services in auditorium

Dec. 13. Sale of Y. W. C. A. calendars in all buildings.

Dec. 15. Sophomore cotillion, university armory, 8 p. m.

Dec. 16. Joint Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. social at Close Hall.

Dec. 19. Dramatic club play, Coldren opera house, 8:15 p. m.

Dec. 21. Holiday vacation begins, 10 p. m.

Jan. 2. Holiday vacation ends, 8 a. m.

Jan. 5. Basketball, Iowa vs. Wisconsin, university armory, 7:30 p. m.

(This column is for events of university interest, and any such will be gladly added.)

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

At the Coldren

"Just why I have retained the world's title at grappling," says Frank Gotch who will appear at the Coldren tonight, "is because I have always aimed to travel the route in short time and work harder than has been the case with the other felow. Let me illustrate: When I beat Tom Jenkins and won the American belt, I was against a man of superior generalship and huge strength—but I was more durable at the end of thirty minutes than he was. The fellow who can travel over the long course and still be fast and strong always has it on the other fellow—granted strength anywhere near equal.

"Now, in the case of Hackenschmidt, he not only lacked in speed, but he was inferior in strength. The first time I met Hack in the Dexter Pavilion in Chicago, I was loaded up with the wonderful stories of his ability. I wasn't going to take a chance. However, I was sure that I could stand him off and be strong at the finish. Later, in thinking it over I was determined to cut loose on the next European, because I couldn't figure where thir training made their muscles as quick as ours on the American mat. I proved my theory was correct with Mahmout (who has since tuned up to the Yankee way of tugging), with Raceovitch, and with Zbyszko.

"The last time I met Hack, he was not any harder than many of the American boys had proved. I confess I tore into him harder than I had ever ripped into a rival before. I didn't want him to have an excuse, and this talk about his bad knee is all rot. I had the bad knee. His trouble was in his heart. When he saw he was a goner, he cried for mercy, and that robbed him of the glory of even the loser's position."

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Iowa Curators Meet

The State Historical Society of Iowa curators met Wednesday night in their regular monthly session. Only four new members were elected at this session, namely, Hon. Irving B. Richman, statesman and author, Muscatine; Paul W. Black, Plymouth, Ill.; John C. Hartman, Waterloo; F. H. Paul, Des Moines.

The board also approved the manuscripts of Dr. Dan . Clark and Jacob Van der Zee, of the school of Iowa Research Historians. The former's is a history of "Senatorial Elections in Iowa," and the latter's deals with the Hollanders of the state. Both manuscripts will be forthcoming in a short time as volumes in the list of publications put out by the Historical society.

Williams Gives Dinner

About fifteen members of the Y. M. C. A. were entertained at an informal dinner given at the Iowa Union by Secretary Howard Y. Williams last evening. Fitting speeches were given by Professor R. B. Wylie, of the botany department, on the possibilities for Y. M. C. A. work here and by Seretary Williams on the work that has been accomplished elsewhere. Plans were formulated for a ten days personal campaign among the men of the university as a method of increasing the membership of the association. The spiritual revival that is to be held early in March was also briefly discussed.

Philo-Octave Kid Party

The Philo-Octave literary societies will hold their annual "kid party" Saturday evening in the society rooms at Close hall. A special effort has been made to eclipse all previous parties of this nature and an enjoyable event is anticipated.

Delta Sigma Rho Banquet

Delta Sigma Rho, the debating fraternity, will banquet the members of the two debating teams, the judges, presiding officer and others connected with the debate immediately after the close of the contest tonight.

Play Committee Appointed

The Zetagathian society has announced the appointment of its committee which will have charge of the annual Hep-Zet play. It is composed of Lynn Baker, chairman and business manager; LeRoy Spencer and John Arthur.

Baconian Meeting

The regular meeting of the Baconian club will be held in the physics lecture room this evening at 7:30. The program will consist of reports by several of the members.

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feated Wisconsin at Madison in an easy contest.

Iowa's position at the top of the list is held at present by a good margin. Both Minnestoa and Illinois are tied for second place and are two victories behind in their record. About the only chance either has of nosing into first place rests upon the possibility of a double defeat for Iowa, which is exceedingly improbable, or a double victory by its own teams with an even break on the part of Iowa. The fact that Iowa has received eighteen judge decisions out of a possible thirty, while no other university has received more than fourteen is significant. With the immense advantage gained by these former victories the Iowa teams this year have every hope for maintaining the university's much-prized standing in the circuit.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

Rowland Philbrook has returned his home at Denison.

Ruth Weeks has returned from a visit with friends in Des Moines.

Miss Charlotte Rogers is enjoying a visit from her father, C. A. Rogers, of Eldora.

The members of the football team were entertained at a dinner by President and Mrs. John G. Bowman last evening.

Prof. Delmar Davis, of the college of homeopathic medicine, is seriously ill and has been taken to Chicago for an operation.

Professor and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox entertained the Congregational Brotherhood at their home on Wednesday evening.

Professor E. A. Wilcox, of the law college, will act as judge for the debate between Wisconsin and Minnesota at Madison this evening.

Messrs. Clarence Minturn, Robert Goshorn and Horace Tate spent the night in the city last evening enroute to Moline in a Velie 40.

Dr. Benj. F. Shambaugh left last evening for Chicago. From the windy city he journeys to Urbana to act as a judge on the debate between Illinois and Wisconsin.

Dr. Stromsen, of the department of biology, has been invited to prepare a paper on "The Development of the Nervous System of Turtles," for the American Journal of Anatomy.

Dr. Kuntz, of the department of biology, will deliver two papers before the American Society of Zoologists. The meeting will be held at Princeton, N. J., on December 26 to 29.

Several members of the faculty in the scientific departments expect to attend the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, to be held in Washington, D. C., on December 27 to 30.

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The team goes to Nebraska some time in the latter part of January, and the men are working hard to put themselves ni condition to meet the Cornhuskers. Rumor has it that they are strong this year, as they still have the men who won their victories last year. Last year our men were defeated in every class but the outlook this year is promising for a victory.

A contest with Ames is also among the possibilities, although nothing definite in this direction has been done as yet. Wth the present increase of interest in wrestling in the university it is more than likely that Iowa will be a member of the conference, and "Is" will be given the participants in inter-collegiate contests as is now done in other athletic contests.

Cotillion Plans

The cotillion committee is busily engaged perfecting the plans for the annual sophomore party which at present bids fair to outstrip all previous events of the kind at Iowa. The plan of distributing the programs for the affair before hand will be tried for the first time. This feature should prove attractive since it will eliminate much of the discomfort caused by filling out programs at the party. The programs are of a new pattern and are designed to carry out the color scheme of green and white. They will be distributed Wednesday or Thursday before the party. It is likewise planned to stage an innovation in placing the orchestra. Instead of building a stand as has previously been the custom, the committee plans to entirely conceal the source of melody. Just how this is to be done, however, they at present refuse to divulge.

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