

TRIES OUR SYSTEM

Kansas Thinks Our Ways is Good and Patterns After.

Kansas is laying herself out as never before to beat Nebraska in debate this year. The Jayhawker faculty, backed by Chancellor Strong, has adopted a new system of training the team, and the debating council has adopted a new plan of selecting the team—a plan which will, it is thought, secure for the University the very ablest men—the men who know most about the subject and who are the best arguers on their legs that the Kansas State University can turn out. Instead of picking the team at once, the council chose a half dozen men. They have been studying the subject debating on it twice a week for two months. This week the team that meets Nebraska is chosen. On the new methods, which are somewhat like Nebraska's, the K. U. Weekly of last week jubilates as follows:

"The success of the new plan of choosing debaters has surprised its most ardent supporters. Next week the men who will finally represent the University will be chosen in a public contest. Whoever is chosen from the debating squad to make up the teams confidence is expressed on all sides that they will know their respective questions better than any teams ever before sent out by Kansas. The debating squad has now given nearly two months to the study of the questions. They have met at least twice a week for oral debate, considerable rivalry between men and sides having resulted, all of which has tended to bring out the strong and weak points of the question at issue."

Engineering Notes.

The classes in machine shop practice are putting the finishing touches upon a new shaper. The new machine bids fair to be a good one and although it has been finished since the first of the year.

Mr. N. A. Kemmish is completing his plans for a test of the power plant of the Lincoln Traction company. The work was undertaken by Mr. Kimmish as his thesis for his degree. It will be necessary to use nearly all of the men who are available to help take the necessary observations during the test which will likely be of twenty-four duration.

The regular meeting of the Engineering society was held Wednesday evening in M. A. 11. In the business meeting preceding the program the date of the annual banquet was fixed as April 23. It is expected that about seventy-five men will attend this year. The design for the cover of the engineering annual presented to the society by Professor Morse was also adopted.

After the business meeting, Mr. C. H. Searles, '02, entertained the society with a very interesting talk on "Rail-

roading in the Rockies." M. Searles has been working since he left school on the new railroad between Denver and Salt Lake City. He told of many difficulties met with in the construction of railroad in the mountains.

Agricultural Notes

Dr. A. T. Peters arrived home from institute work in Scotts Bluff county.

Mr. G. Montgomery has Professor Lyon's classes during the latter's absence at North Platte.

Dr. Van Ness, veterinarian of the North Dakota experiment station, visited the station Friday.

The department of horticulture has been taking advantage of the present weather and is preparing its gardens for the spring sowing of seed.

The class in field crops has taken up the commercial grading of corn according to the rules of the Chicago board of trade.

The classes in horticulture are given their laboratory exercises in the field during the warm spring days. These consist of pruning trees and small fruits as grape vines, currants and raspberries; planting orchard trees and preparing gardens.

The dairy department will sell the milk and cream the coming year to some reliable milk man and it will be delivered to the citizens of Lincoln. The milk will be bottled and be labeled as state farm milk. It will certainly be pure and sanitary.

The March edition of Agriculture, a monthly publication published by the Association of Agricultural Students, was distributed this week. It contains good, well written articles by specialists and pertains strictly to agriculture. Articles of interest are "The Duroc-Jersey as the Farmers' Hog," by W. P. Snyder; "The Progress of Corn Improvement," by the Hon. Jos. Hall of Tekamah; "Commercial Orcharding," by G. A. Marshall of Arlington, and "The School of Agriculture as Viewed by a Winter Course Student," by E. R. Chase.

Mr. Val Keyser will have charge of the government co-operative experiment in vegetables the coming season. This experiment is carried on by the station in connection with the U. S. department of agriculture, and consists of testing the various varieties of vegetables to see which is best adapted to this particular locality.

Prof. T. L. Lyon and Clarence E. Quinn are at the sub-station at North Platte, Neb. Mr. Quinn will remain several weeks and superintend the planting of the agricultural crops.

Michigan's Schedule

Following is the Michigan football schedule for 1904:

- Oct. 1—Case.
 - Oct. 5—Ohio Normal.
 - Oct. 8—Kalamazoo.
 - Oct. 12—Physicians and Surgeons.
 - Oct. 15—O. S. U. at Columbus.
 - Oct. 22—West Virginia.
 - Oct. 29—Wisconsin, at Madison.
 - Nov. 5—Drake.
 - Nov. 12—Chicago at Ann Arbor.
- Negotiations are also in progress with Notre Dame. Nothing has been heard from Columbia, and Michigan is still awaiting developments.

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