

MANY ENTRIES FOR DEBATES

Eighty-Five Nebraska High Schools in Forensic League.

GAINS EIGHTEEN NEW MEMBERS

Question of Government Ownership of Railroads to Be Threshed Out by Students This Winter and Spring.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 2.—(Special).—At least eighty-five Nebraska high schools will participate this winter and spring in the eighth annual contests of the Nebraska High School Debating League, which started in 1906 with thirty schools and which last year had sixty-nine members.

Eighteen new members are on the league map this year—Crichton, Emerson, Wakefield, Fullerton, Gratton, Pilsner, West Point, Warner, Oradella, Blue Springs, Diller, Fairbury, Lawrence, Red Cloud, Bartley, Gibbon, Loup City, North Loup.

The directors of the twelve districts will next week announce the pairing of schools for the first series of debates for the district championships and district second and third honors and the place, date and sides for the first-series contests are to be reported to the directors by January 15. The league contests are in charge of the executive committee, composed of the district directors, the president, Prof. M. M. Fogg, professor of rhetoric in the University of Nebraska, and the secretary-treasurer, Principal A. P. Hillier of Beatrice.

The question of the government ownership and operation of railroads will be threshed out by league schools in at least seventy-five debates. "Resolved, That the United States should adopt government ownership and operation of railroads."

The 1914-1915 members of the league arranged by districts is as follows, although a few changes may be made in order to get all the schools into the twelve districts, nine of which are full (have eight members) or overflowing.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

- Superintendent Earl M. Cline, Geneva, Director.
Clay Center—Superintendent Clara Schaeffer.
Esoter—Superintendent W. E. Atkins.
Fairmont—Superintendent C. E. Collett.
Geneva—Superintendent Earl M. Cline.
Gratton—Superintendent Charles Lively.
Omaha—Superintendent C. B. Moore.
Stromburg—Superintendent A. F. Dunlap.
York—Superintendent W. W. Stoner.

EASTERN DISTRICT

- Principal A. L. Condon, Fremont, Director.
Bellevue Academy—Principal Albert Sharr.
Fremont—Principal A. C. Condon.
Nebraska City—Superintendent George E. Martin.
Omaha—Principal C. E. Reed.
North Bend—Superintendent F. L. Mo-Nown.
North Platte—Superintendent W. C. Brooks.
Schuyler—Superintendent Charles Arnold.
South Omaha—Principal B. W. Moore.
Wells—Superintendent W. J. Hart.
Weeping Water—Superintendent T. V. Kruman.

SOUTH-CENTRAL DISTRICT

- Superintendent L. I. Friable, University Place, Director.
Havelock—Superintendent E. B. J. Buckler.
Lincoln—Principal Vernon G. Mays.
Nebraska Military Academy—Superintendent B. D. D.
Seward—Superintendent J. A. Woodard.
Springfield—Superintendent E. P. Stimpert.
Teachers College—Principal C. W. Taylor.
University Place High School—Superintendent L. J. Friable.
Wilbur—Superintendent E. G. Hopkins.

NORTHERN DISTRICT

- Superintendent E. Weyer, Atkinson, Director.
Ainsworth—Superintendent L. H. Henderson.
Allison—Superintendent F. E. Weyer.
O'Neill—Superintendent F. E. Weyer.
Valentine—Superintendent W. C. Green.
NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT
Superintendent J. F. Gordon, Pierce, Director.
Blomfield—Superintendent A. F. Gulliver.
Crichton—Superintendent G. H. Stevens.
Superior—Superintendent H. M. Eaton.
Oakland—Superintendent J. R. Armstrong.
Pierce—Superintendent F. J. Gordon.
Ponca—Superintendent John J. Englehart.

SOUTH-EASTERN DISTRICT

- Landolph—Superintendent Earle Meyer.
South Sioux City—Superintendent D. M. Rogers.
Wakefield—Superintendent E. D. Lundgren.
NORTH-CENTRAL DISTRICT
Superintendent E. O. Blackstone, Battle Creek, Director.
Battle Creek—Superintendent E. O. Blackstone.
Fullerton—Superintendent W. B. Ireland.
Madison—Superintendent E. M. Short.
North—Superintendent M. E. Croster.
Stanton—Superintendent H. H. Husman.
West Point—Superintendent J. J. Knoll.
Winterset—Superintendent R. W. Eaton.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

- Superintendent V. J. Brahm, Sidney, Director.
Alliance—Superintendent W. R. Pate.
Minatare—Principal R. O. Chambers.
Omaha—Superintendent C. L. Robinson.
Sidney—Superintendent V. J. Brahm.
SOUTHERN DISTRICT
Superintendent A. H. Staley, Superior, Director.
Blue Springs—Superintendent C. W. Gevin.
Diller—Superintendent C. W. Westcott.
Edgemoor—Superintendent C. B. Frazier.
Fairbury—Principal A. J. Hart.
Guide Rock—Superintendent Joy E. Meade.
Hartley—Superintendent Robert Fawell.
Lawrence—Superintendent Clarence E. McNeill.
Red Cloud—Superintendent R. D. Moritz.
Superior—Superintendent A. H. Staley.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

- Superintendent J. N. Clark, Pawnee City, Director.
Auburn—Superintendent J. A. Doremus.
Beatrice—Principal A. P. Hillier.
Eola City—Superintendent William L. Crow.
Humboldt—Superintendent Burton A. Bickel.
Pawnee City—Superintendent J. N. Clark.
Tecumseh—Superintendent V. L. Strickland.
Wymore—Principal J. H. Campbell.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

- Superintendent W. T. Davis, McCook, Director.
Bartley—Superintendent J. F. Duncan.
Beaver City—Superintendent J. R. Overturf.
Cambridge—Superintendent B. H. Grever.
Franklin—Superintendent George H. Bonner.
Orford—Superintendent S. E. Chaddock.
Trenton—Superintendent J. D. Mannis.
WESTERN DISTRICT
Superintendent Roy E. Cochran, Kearney, Director.
Gibson—Superintendent R. Nichols.
Gothenburg—Superintendent P. M. Whitland.
Hastings—Principal J. C. Mitchell.
Harvard—Superintendent Loy E. Gullerson.
Kearney—Superintendent Roy E. Cochran.
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Lincoln—Superintendent C. L. Little.
Minden—Superintendent E. W. Wendland.
North Platte—Superintendent Wilson Teut.
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT
Superintendent R. H. Martin, Broken Bow, Director.
Axtell—Superintendent Della Berger.
Broken Bow—Superintendent R. H. Martin.
Loup City—Superintendent J. E. Buzwell.
North Loup—Superintendent Elmer J. Bergquist.
Ord—Superintendent C. R. Jones.
St. Paul—Superintendent H. H. Reizend.

MISS GWENDOLYN CONDON, whose marriage to Philip D. Armour, son of Philip A. Armour of Chicago is scheduled to take place on January 8 in New York City. Mr. Armour is a grandson of the late P. D. Armour, the Chicago packer and founder of the immense Armour fortune. Miss Condon's father has for many years been one of the leading figures in the mining industry.



SOCIETY PLANS FOR WINTER

(Continued from Page One.)

Coloma Club Masquerade. A masquerade party was given Thursday afternoon at Chambers' academy by the Coloma club, one of the private dancing clubs of the winter, which meets each Wednesday afternoon at Chambers'. The party was chaperoned by...

Measles. Herbert Rogers, J. S. Wilibranda, J. E. Summers, George Waterman, H. F. Adams.

Those present were: Misses—Marion Adams, Ruth Waterman, Elizabeth Austin, Josephine Platter, Mary Gifford, Louise Porter, Madeline Johnson, Jean Palmer, Gertrude Koenigs, Evelyn Cole, Jean Kennedy, Elizabeth Robertson, Josephine Latenser, Ruth Hamilton, Marie Neville, Esther McVann, Joseph Jollard, Catherine Jones, Gertrude Peysck, Tilda Laurson, Helen Rogers, Camilla Eshom, Zoa Schank, Edith Willibranda.

Measles. Ralph Campbell, Milton Rogers, Robert Down, Stewart Summers, Joseph Jollard, Elton Vinsonhale, Walter Preston, John Webb, James Roney, Jordan H. Peters, Louis Metz, Benton Hiesler.

In and Out of the Bee Hive. Mr. W. J. Foye returned Friday from a trip to Wisconsin and St. Louis.

Miss Ruth McDonald left today for Kansas City, where she will be the guest of friends for two or three weeks.

Mrs. Walker McCormick leaves the latter part of this month to spend some weeks with her mother in the east.

Miss Blanche De Weese of Canyon City arrived Friday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Ross Towle, on her way to Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. William Belcher have returned from Memphis, Tenn., after spending Christmas with Mrs. Belcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Peters.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Cowell and son, Winston, returned Tuesday from Louisville, Ky., where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Cowell's sister, Mrs. Penick.

Mrs. Elizabeth Goodrich, who has been visiting in Washington, D. C., with friends since May, returned Christmas morning to be with her mother, Mrs. James H. Parrotte.

Mr. David P. Feder of St. Paul arrived Thursday morning to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Alpin over New Year's. Mr. Feder will return to his home this evening.

Mr. Thomas D. Crane returned this week from an extended business trip to New York City. While in the east Mr. Crane visited the Lawrenceville school at Lawrenceville, N. J., where his son Rodrigo will enter next fall preparatory to his course at college.

Prof. Miner of York college, who has been visiting in Omaha, left Friday morning to give a reading tour before returning to college.

Miss Ethel Evans, who has been studying art for some years in Paris and is now visiting her sister, Mrs. Z. T. Lindsay, has been working on the plates for an illustrated edition of the well known poem, "The Old Clock on the Stair."

Mr. Leslie B. Troup, who, with his wife, has been visiting at the home of his parents, Judge and Mrs. A. C. Troup, returned Saturday evening to New York City, where Mr. Troup is connected with the Hershey Chocolate company.

Miss Irene and Miss Beatrice Coad spent New Year's day with their brother, Mr. Ralph Coad, in New York City. Mr. Coad is practicing law in New York. Enroute home the Misses Coad plan to visit in St. Louis with Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Krug.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Beeson went to Chicago Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Greene and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Leonard of Lincoln to spend New Year's eve as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Glyman of Evanston. Mr. Beeson will go to Lafayette, Ind., to visit her mother before coming home.

Biddad wants to know why St. Honoratus is called the patron saint of the bakers. We really don't know, but it is probably due to the fact that St. Honoratus was absent in the yeast in the hour of knead.

When Mrs. Fwain said that lying was getting to be a lost art and ought to be taught in the public schools, some of the military schools seem to have taken him seriously.—Judge.

HOW TO USE A DOCTOR

CHAPTER X. HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND EFFICIENCY

"When the Gods arrive the false Gods go." The physician should be a man of health and force of character. Not a "character" in a narrow sense that is gained by conforming his life to certain rules of teachings of theology, but rather by following such rules that his individual experiences has taught that lead to health, happiness and efficiency. He is, then, in a position to help others. I am in that position today and can, therefore, point out the way. If you lack ambition—if you do not sleep well—if you have lost too much in weight—if you weigh too much—if you have an organ trouble that is supposed to be incurable—I can show you how to make the most of the wonderful reserve power which you still have left. Prof. James said that the average man does not use one twentieth part of his real powers. Some time ago a Doctor came to me from Texas who had been under the care of some of America's most noted physicians, who advised him to take life easy, that his usefulness in life seemed to be at an end, since he had suffered from a slight stroke of apoplexy. I carefully examined him, mentally and physically, and, after a few short weeks with me, he went back to his work, and has enjoyed good health for over three years. I can cite many similar examples of the efficiency of my endeavors in this field of professional work. The ability to work is one of the greatest things that makes life worth while. Come and see me and if I find that I can not help you, I will frankly tell you so. I believe that the death rate of the city of Omaha can be greatly reduced. My business is to hold it down to the minimum by the application of the principles of scientific knowledge, which help people to secure and to maintain the highest degree of health and efficiency. HENRY B. MUNRO, M. D., 606-8 Brandeis Theater Bldg.

Morehead to Talk Before Neutrality Meeting Friday Eve

Governor John H. Morehead has consented to deliver an address next Friday evening to the mass neutrality meeting called for the council chamber at 8 o'clock. This is the meeting planned by a large body of citizens, who are interested in maintaining neutrality, especially in the matter of selling munitions of war to belligerents, and who wish to endorse the Hitchcock bill seeking to prevent the sale of munitions of war to the nations now at war.

FEDERAL TROOPS MOVING OUT OF STRIKE DISTRICT

The United States troops are being moved out of the coal mine strike zone of Colorado. The Colorado & Southern and the Burlington are handling the Fort Meade cavalry from Oak Creek to Orin Junction and the Northwestern carrying the command to destination.

WHAT THE RAILROADS DO WITH THEIR INCOME

WHY THEY ARE CONSIDERED THE GREAT BUSINESS BAROMETER OF THE NATION

In contemplating the crisis which confronts the railroads at the present time, and which was briefly explained in last week's article, it is important for the reader to realize that the railroads and the public face each other under radically changed conditions today from those which prevailed a few years ago. The abuses and scandals which have been aired before the Interstate Commerce commission during recent months have perpetrated for the most part under the old regime of a dozen or so years ago, and can never be repeated under the conditions which now prevail. On the one hand, the Interstate Commerce commission and the different states, either through their public utility commissions or legislatures, say what rates the railroads shall charge for service. In addition to this, a proposal is now pending in congress to give the government the right to investigate all new interstate securities before they can be placed upon the market, while similar authority is already being exercised within the states by the different public utility commissions. That means that the last vestige of control over their finances will have been taken away from the railroads and that henceforth their fate will be absolutely in the hollow of the people's hands. In this connection, we wish to again remind the reader that hundreds of honest railroad officials throughout the country—men who have managed their properties without a breath of scandal or public criticism—should not be condemned because of the misdeeds of the few. With an aroused public conscience on the one hand and scores of railroad officials throughout the country who are actively co-operating with the different public authorities on the other, we can safely let bygones be bygones—wipe the slate, and, with a square deal for the people, the investor and the railroads alike, "start over again."

The President's Anxiety.

In last week's article we quoted a portion of President Wilson's recent reply to a group of eastern railroad executives. That the president has become profoundly concerned over the present crisis which confronts the transportation companies is once more made strikingly apparent in his letter concerning the inauguration of the new banking system to Secretary McAdoo a few days ago, in which he said: "The railroads of the country are almost as much affected (by the war), not so much because their business is curtailed as because their credit is called in question by doubt as to their earning capacity. There is no other interest so central to the business welfare of the country as this. No doubt, in the light of the new day, with its new understandings, the problem of the railroads will also be met and dealt with in a spirit of candor and justice."

Like utterances have come from scores of other prominent public men and financiers during the last few weeks—men who are above making a selfish plea for any private corporate interest, and whose sole desire is that American business shall emerge from the present precarious situation without disaster. Under these circumstances it is the merest folly for any citizen to treat the present crisis lightly or flippantly, for we are passing through a period in which the financial resources of every nation in the world will be tested as never before.

Where Railroad Receipts Go.

In order that the reader may realize what a tremendous factor the railroads are in the every day business life of the nation and what they mean to its prosperity, we wish to analyze briefly what becomes of an average year's railroad income. Just as the idea has prevailed in the minds of many that the railroads are owned by a few rich men, so the thought has also found deep root that they collect millions of dollars from the public which go into the coffers of a handful of millionaires, and which are permanently withdrawn from the thrift and industry of the people. At the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912, the records at Washington show that the railroads of the United States had collected a gross income from all branches of their service amounting to \$3,119,829,518. Of this sum, \$1,378,900,569 was paid out for labor—or, to put it in another way, almost 50 cents out of every dollar they took was immediately paid out to the hundreds of thousands of men and women whom they employ in the conduct of their business. For maintenance of way, equipment, depots, etc., they disbursed \$203,187,474—or almost one-third of the total—and in this vast item the reader can grasp what railroad property means to the great steel mills, the lumber and coal industry, the big and locomotive building concerns, and other sources of railroad supplies. In taxes they paid out the enormous sum of \$121,000,115, which helped to maintain the

Court Declines to Order Dissolution of Watch Combine

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—The United States district court here today handed down an opinion refusing the government's petition to break up the Keystone Watch Case company on the ground that it is a trust in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The court in its decision said: "The defendant declares that the policy of boycott had been given up before the bill of complaint was filed, and there is some testimony to that effect, but the circular has never been withdrawn or negatived, and the company's resolution of January, 1910, has never been rescinded. We have no doubt that an injunction should be granted, but we see no sufficient evidence that the public interest requires us to break up the existing corporate entity."

The suit was brought three years ago against the Keystone Watch Case company, which is a combination of several watch-making concerns in various parts of the country, and alleged by the government to control 90 per cent of the business. The government charged that the company restrained trade by forcing dealers to use its goods exclusively under a threat of boycott if they dealt with rival manufacturing concerns.

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