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INTERESTING TIME

Struggle in Iowa Legislature Watched By All Institutions.

University acquaintances of former Chancellor G. E. MacLean have been watching with much interest the struggle that has been going on in the Iowa legislature. It appears that the old rivalry between the state agricultural college at Ames, and the state University at Iowa City has become so intensified that the legislators themselves have unfortunately found it necessary to take sides. Each institution asked for much larger appropriations than ever before, and each has sought to obtain an amount considerably larger than the other's.

Committees from the legislature were received at both of these institutions with wide open arms and nothing was left undone that would contribute to their entertainment. They were regaled at each place with arguments in favor of the local institution as being more deserving than the other. So convincing were the arguments presented that the legislators were bewildered, so that it was recommended in the legislature that the entire control of all the state educational institutions be placed in the hands of three trustees. Though after a hard struggle it has been decided that for the present at least the state educational institutions of Iowa will not pass under the management of a single board of control, press dispatches say that it is likely that some equally radical measure may yet be enacted. The friends of President MacLean realize that he is now in the fight of his life and trust his Rooseveltian luck will still attend him.

The history of the efforts made to establish a board of control is interesting, as it has been the center of a bitter and hard fought contest. The bill providing for the establishment of such a board of control was passed in the senate by a vote of 30 to 14 after a fierce and protracted debate. Strong arguments were presented in favor of such a board, and the opposition in the senate found itself battling against an overwhelming force.

One of the main arguments advanced in favor of the establishment of the board of control system was that the cost of maintaining each school would be lessened. It is claimed that the cost for each student at Iowa University is greater than at other state Universities, and that a board of control would adjust the difficulties caused by the rivalries of the various Iowa institutions. It is also claimed that politics play too important a part in the present method of selecting trustees.

On the other hand the opposition claimed that the establishment of such a board would only complicate matters and that politics and petty rivalries would have freer fields for action than ever before. The tendency would be to hinder the advance of education by making its progress dependent upon cumbersome machinery that is a part of another system and not an independent system in itself. The bill while in the senate attracted widespread attention and practically all of the Iowa papers were interested in it.

Last Wednesday the lower house of the legislature by a vote of 50 to 41 referred the bill passed by the senate providing that the educational institutions be abolished and that those institutions be placed under a single board of three members, to its judiciary committee. The committee met immediately after the adjournment and voted to recommend the indefinite postponement of the measure.

However, it decided to recommend the appointment of a commission of three members to investigate the advisability of adopting a single board

Pan-Hellenic Dance FRIDAY, MAY 20. ...AUDITORIUM...

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of control system. This committee will report at the next session of the legislature in 1906. During all this bitter contest Iowa and Ames, the two institutions that were so vitally interested, have retained their composure, as the following editorial in the Daily Iowan indicates:

Every two years the Iowa State College at Ames, and the State University appear before the general assembly, and ask appropriations for carrying on their work. And in the endeavor to secure such funds as each needs, there inevitably crops out a certain enmity between friends of the two institutions. This year what appears to us very unfair treatment of S. U. I. in comparison with the treatment of Ames, many friends of the University, including certain local papers, have indulged in tirades and invectives against the Agricultural College. But it is the belief of the Iowan, shared in by most of the supporters of the S. U. I., that this not a proper attitude to take. Every citizen of Iowa should be proud of Iowa's University. Every citizen of Iowa—including students at S. U. I.—should be proud of Iowa's Agricultural and Mechanic Arts College at Ames. The two are not rivals and are not going to be. Both are necessary and valuable to the state and the success of one does not mean the failure of the other in any sense or in any degree. In the larger view of the situation there is no room for envy or jealousy. Both institutions are here to stay and to prosper; and if the general assembly can not at this time see its way clear to give us all we ask we should not on that account refuse to rejoice with Ames in its success. Let us put away the idea of 'Ames vs. University,' and take up rather Ames and the University. Success to Iowa's two great schools!"

SUCCESSFUL LECTURE.

J. A. L. Waddell Speaks to Large Audience Last Night.

In spite of the miserable weather last night, one of the largest exclusively men's crowd gathered in Memorial hall in the history of the University. The occasion was the much-heralded lecture of Mr. J. A. L. Waddell, of Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Waddell was introduced shortly after 8 o'clock by Professor Stout of the civil engineering department. His address was on "Higher Education for Civil Engineers." He devoted his remarks chiefly to changes in and additions to the engineering courses of technical schools of America, which in his opinion, would conduce to the higher efficiency of the average graduate. He insisted on the lengthening of engineering courses from three or four years to at least five and suggested that entrance requirements also be made more strict. He advised, in addition, that frequent practical talks and lectures by experienced engineers would do much toward putting the student in closer touch with his subject.

Mr. Waddell entered an earnest plea for greater familiarity with the English tongue, both in speech and in writing, as essential to the successful engineer. While the nature of an engineer's work demands close speciali-

zation, he said, the more general and fundamental branches of learning should not be neglected. Mathematics should also form a field for continual research. He advised, besides, the study of a long list of technical subjects.

Mr. Waddell's audience was somewhat inconvenienced by the lack of volume in his delivery, as well as the frequent entrance of late arrivals. Aside from these disadvantages, however, the lecture was a decided success. Mr. Waddell speaks again this morning in U. 106, and another large crowd is expected to hear him. His talk will be on "Large and Important Structures," and will commence at 10 o'clock.

During his stay in Lincoln Mr. Waddell is the guest of the Engineering society, to whom credit is due for securing his visit to the University.

THE SENIOR PROM.

Brilliant Function At The Lincoln Last Night.

The Senior Prom, the annual formal dance given by the Senior class, occurred last night at the Lincoln hotel. The dance hall was decorated with palms only and from the ceiling of the rotunda hung the Senior flag, from which streamers of '04 colors ran to each column, making a very pretty decorative effect. The promenades were decorated with palms. The decorations, while simple, were much more effective than some previous affairs, which have been more elaborate. A program of seventeen dances with no extras was used. The small number gave time for long dances and frequent encores. During intermission ices were served in the promenade. Walt's orchestra furnished the music. The party was chaperoned by Chancellor and Mrs. Andrews and Professor and Mrs. Fogg.

The success of the Prom, is due in a great measure to Chairman Hewitt and Master of Ceremonies Bell, who had worked hard to give an enjoyable dance.

The balance of the committee was Messrs. Harrison, Townsend, Myers, Bickford, Bridge, Huntington, Harris, Mansfield, Brown, Parker; Misses Edholm, Sterling, Stephen, Heacock, Robison, Woodruff, Meeker.

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A RETURN GAME

Negotiations Closed to Bring Minnesota Girls Here.

Negotiations were closed Friday morning for a return game in girls' basket ball between Minnesota and Nebraska, Friday evening, April 2, subject to the approval of the date chosen by President Northrop. This is the only Friday evening possible for the Nebraska team, owing to the various debates, minstrel shows, etc., in prospect. An invitation from the Missouri team to play in Columbia during the month of April could not be accepted. The Nebraska team had already one long "foreign" trip, and wished to have a return game with Minnesota while there was the chance. There have been no girls' matches with outside teams yet this season. Interest will be intense, in the coming game because of the recent defeat of the home team after an unbroken series of victories for eight years, by the Minnesota team, before an immense body of spectators at Minneapolis. The team play of the Minnesota girls is reported to be a marvel of brilliancy and speed, and it is promised that their game will be a revelation to Lincoln spectators.

PRES. NORTHRUP PLEASED.

Favors Minnesota Girls Coming Here.

For the first time the Minnesota girls' basketball team, which hitherto has always brought teams to play in its home Armory, will be allowed to make a long trip to a sister University. In a letter very gratifying to the Nebraska management, President Northrop recently wrote:

"While I am on general principles opposed to having our girls' team roam around the country in pursuit of athletic contests, nevertheless the impression made upon me by your team was so favorable, and your whole intercourse with our girls seems to have been so delightful, that I shall be disposed, in case our girls should desire to accept an invitation from you, to be less strenuous in opposing their wishes than I should be under ordinary conditions."

An endeavor will be made to give the Minnesota players as enjoyable a time while they are in Lincoln as they gave to the home team when the latter were their guests in Minneapolis.

DR. WHARTON LEAVES.

A Parting Word To University Men.

In a couple of weeks Dr. Wharton will leave for his new field of work at Seattle, Wash., and as the time draws near for his departure people of the city and University realize more and more the loss they will sustain. He has always been a close friend to the men of this University, and as he addresses them Sunday for the last time he will certainly have a host of good things to say.

Dr. Wharton is very glad to have this opportunity to meet University men personally, and of giving them a parting handshake, and will be greatly encouraged by the sympathy for him in the heart of this student body.

This meeting is for men only, and will be held Sunday afternoon in the chapel, beginning promptly at three o'clock. Every University man is invited to be present.

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