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ADDRESSES SIGMA XI

PROFESSOR WEBSTER SPOKE IN THE TEMPLE FRIDAY.

"THE CREED OF THE SCIENTIST"

Talked on Early Science and Present Recognition of the Relation of Scientific Thought to the World's Welfare.

The second of the annual Sigma XI lectures was given last evening at 5 o'clock in the Temple theater by Professor Webster of Clark university. The subject of his talk was "The Creed of the Scientist," a popular lecture, and was delivered before a good audience.

In the lecture it was Professor Webster's object to indicate the point of view of the scientist. "The only true standard that the scientist can have," he said, "is to be able to work for the good of mankind; to discover how the good of mankind can best be promoted. However this point of view is comparatively recent. Primitive man seemed not to recognize the nature of science. He only sought the means of subsistence or of defense. In time science began to develop by slow stages and crude implements were made from wood and stones, yet these only aided them in their search for food or in defense.

"The first great natural phenomenon that seems to have impressed mankind was day and night, and along with this the regularity of the movement of the heavenly bodies challenged their attention and produced a desire to know more of them. The science of astronomy thus had quite an early beginning. The wind also led to early investigation, and its uses were known early, as its use in sailing, even though contrary to the desired direction. In the scientific investigation of the Greeks, they sought only to satisfy their curiosity, rather than to effect any progress thereby.

Church as Investigator.

The period of the Dark Ages came in and scientific investigation stopped

him, and in seeking this end there is need of as vivid an imagination as is needed in the study of poetry. In addition, accuracy in the delicate tests must exist. Statistical scientific investigators must exercise the closest of attention in their mathematical investigations, as for example, in the cooling of the earth and the length of time which has elapsed since the earth was in a molten condition.

"Astro-physics has become a well-developed science within recent years. Previously mankind thought only of the heavenly bodies as a whole, but with the discovery of the spectrum, interest has centered on the composition of the celestial bodies. Great observatories have been established for such purposes. Now, of what use is all this? Nothing is more profitable. There is great beauty in scientific investigation, and value as well for most of our common improvements are the products of long thought and labor before the finished product was evolved. Perseverance is one of the scientist's qualifications. All of the greatest scientists have taken many years to thoroughly work out their problems.

"The true ideal of this work is the good of man. Science can not interpret all mysteries, but only such as are of possible interest and value to humanity. The scientist believes the world is good and governed by laws. He is progressive and seeks to make life worth living."

SECOND TIME WINNER
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won first and third places in the high kick.

Alpha Theta Chi scored its points as follows: High kick, 6; pole vault, 1; fence vault, 1; high jump, 9; rope climb, 5; shot put, 4; tug-of-war, 6; relay, 6.

Delta Upsilon won its points as follows: 25-yard dash, 5 points; pole vault, 3; shot put, 5; relay, 10.

Phi Kappa Psi scored in only three events, those being: High kick, 3; fence vault, 5; tug-of-war, 10.

Alpha Tau Omega scored five events, those being as follows: 25-yard dash, 1; pole vault, 3; rope climb, 4; tug-of-war, 4; relay race, 4.

In the fence vault Chain of Phi Kappa Psi had no trouble in taking

first place, pulling himself over at 6 feet, 7 inches.

Summaries:
25-yard dash—Miner, Delta Upsilon, first; Swanson, Beta Theta Pi, second; Campbell, Alpha Tau Omega, third. Time—:03 2-5.

Pole Vault—Russell, Delta Upsilon, first; Reed, Alpha Tau Omega, second; McDavitt and Davis, both Alpha Theta Chi, tied for third place. Height—8 feet 6 inches.

Fence Vault—Chain, Phi Kappa Psi, first; Collins, Delta Upsilon, second; Davis, Alpha Theta Chi, third. Height—6 feet 7 inches.

Shot Put—Collins, Delta Upsilon, first; Fleming, Alpha Theta Chi, second; Pool, Alpha Theta Chi, third. Distance—42 feet, 11 1-2 inches.

High Jump—Fleming, Alpha Theta Chi, first; Pool, Alpha Theta Chi, second; Davis, Alpha Theta Chi, third. Height—5 feet 4 inches.

High Kick—Fleming, Alpha Theta Chi, first; Lloyd, Phi Kappa Psi, second; T. Richey, Alpha Theta Chi, third. Height—8 feet, 9 inches.

Rope Climb—Purcell, Alpha Theta Chi, first; Hutchison, Alpha Tau Omega, second; Reddish, Alpha Theta Chi, third. Time—:07 2-1.

Tug-of-War—Phi Kappa Psi, first; Alpha Theta Chi, second; Alpha Tau Omega, third.

Relay Race—Delta Upsilon, first; Alpha Theta Chi, second; Alpha Tau Omega, third.

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BEGINS THIRD SESSION

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETING.

OPEN CONVENTION WITH SUPPER

Delegates From Seven Schools of the State Are Present to Hear the Opening Address by Dean Charles Fordyce.

With a supper in the Y. W. C. A. rooms of the Temple at 5:45 last evening, the Nebraska Student Volunteers opened their third annual convention. Delegates were present from seven schools over the state, four from Doane, two from Central City, two from Hastings, three from Peru, nine from Wesleyan, six from Cotner and fifteen from this university.

The session was opened at 7 o'clock with an address of welcome by Dean Chas. Fordyce, which was followed with music by the Wesleyan quartet. The speech of the evening was made by H. F. La Flamme, secretary of the student volunteer movement, who has had nineteen years' experience in other lands. It was intended to hold the first session of the convention in Memorial hall, but owing to the interfrat athletic meet, the place of meeting was changed to the music room of the Temple.

Strenuous Program.

A strenuous program has been arranged for tomorrow and Sunday, which is the last day of the convention. The initial events of tomorrow's program will be an address at 9:30 by Mrs. Burnell, followed by one on Medical Missions by Dean H. B. Ward of the medical school. These will be followed by "World Wide Missions," by Rev. W. W. Lawrence; "Pointers," by Professor J. H. Walker, and "Definiteness of Purpose," by Mr. La Flamme.

The convention then adjourns until 3 o'clock, when Rev. H. O. Pritchard will speak on "Divine Leadership." Open discussion will follow and supper be taken together at the city Y. W. C. A. The special features of the evening meeting which will be held in Memorial hall are music by the Cotner male quartet and an address by H. F. La Flamme.

Sunday's Session.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the meeting will be in charge of Don S. Ford, general secretary of the Wesleyan Y. M. C. A., with special music on the harp by Mrs. C. H. Lovers of Beatrice and a solo by Miss Brown. Mr. C. H. Lovers, who was for several years employed in Shanghai, China, will speak on "Missions From a Business Man's Standpoint." In the evening music by Mrs. Lovers will be followed by an address on "Where to Invest That Life," by Mr. La Flamme. It is hoped to also secure Mr. Carl Steckelberg, the violinist, for that evening.

The purpose of the Nebraska Student Volunteers' Convention is to arouse interest in world wide missions and to promote an intelligent study of the missionary enterprise together with the problems which confront it. The meetings of the convention are open to the public, who are especially invited by those in charge to attend the evening address.

Dean Priest, debating instructor at Washington university, has instituted a new system of coaching, by which he expects to turn out three successful debating teams. The men recite twice a week on assignments which will cover every phase of the question—the income tax. By this arrangement it is expected that the debaters will become thoroughly grounded in every phase of the subject that would likely come up.

The Masque Club at Kansas university recently took a trip to Liberty, Missouri, against the orders of the council of the university. The members have been summoned before the higher powers for the offense, but no punishment for them has been decided upon as yet.

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except where carried on by the church. While the world was being Christianized the sciences developed also and investigations were carried on with the idea of mankind's welfare in mind. When the first natural philosopher dropped the stones from a high tower and the results were obtained, the death knell of the old methods of the science was sounded.

"Today science is recognized everywhere. International congresses are held to promote it. We are now led to ask, What is science? It is the arrangement of knowledge into an orderly system. It is the business to seek and describe knowledge for the benefit of man. An old description in new terms is not a contribution to science; but a well organized description of something not before understood is an addition to science. It need not be too technical and yet terms relative to the subject are necessary to fully understand the problem. The scientist's method is from the familiar to the unfamiliar.

Follows Natural Laws.

"In this way came the evolution of the gyroscope. It is not a mysterious mechanical device, but only follows natural laws which are given an opportunity to operate. This is the viewpoint of the scientist. Motion is the great problem and he is seeking to gain power over it. We have a great many plain evidences of the benefit of science before us every day. The scientist seeks to make himself master of everything around

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