

NEBRASKA TO DEBATE CHILD LABOR ISSUE

Question for Spring Contests Announced by Professor Fogg Monday
TWO DEBATES SCHEDULED
South Dakota Comes Here and Huskers Go to Iowa—Candidates Asked to Report

The University of Nebraska's intercollegiate debates for 1926 will be with the University of Iowa at Iowa City, and the University of South Dakota at Lincoln, on the child labor question, according to an announcement Monday by Prof. M. M. Fogg. The debates—the twenty-fourth annual interstate forensic battles since the "Think Shop" was organized—will take place on March 24 and 26.

The exact phrasing of the proposition that will be discussed is as follows: "Resolved: That the Constitution of the United States Should be Amended to Give Congress Power to Regulate Child Labor."

Nebraska will maintain the affirmative against South Dakota on Wednesday, March 24, in the Temple theater, and the negative at Iowa City on Friday evening, March 26.

Candidates To Report Now
All students who purpose to enter the preliminary debate for the selection of the University's eight representatives on the two teams and for the selection of the other members of the Intercollegiate Debate Seminary, are requested to file their names and addresses with Professor Fogg at Administration building 207. This competition is open to all students in regular standing who are registered in the University this semester.

Speaking membership on a team carries with it election to Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary fraternity for intercollegiate debaters—the debaters' Phi Beta Kappa.

Detailed announcements concerning the preliminary debate, which, it is expected, will be held late in January, will be made later this week. In that debate the contestant may maintain either side he wishes of the intercollegiate question.

Biography Soon Ready
The reference librarian of the University library is at work on a preliminary bibliography, which will be ready for distribution before the Christmas vacation.

Nebraska's intercollegiate debate honors last spring went to George Johnson, '28, Lincoln; Alexander McKie, '24, Law '26, Omaha; and Volta Torrey, '26, Aurora, who met Iowa at Lincoln; and to Ralph S. Brooks, '25, Law '27, Lincoln; Lloyd J. Martin, '27, of Hastings; and David Sher, '28, of Omaha, who met South Dakota at Vermilion. The question was "That Congress should be given the right, by a two-thirds vote, to overrule decisions of the Supreme Court declaring acts of Congress unconstitutional."

LAST NUMERAL MEET THIS WEEK

Schulte Issues Call for Final Indoor Competition Before Opening of Varsity Season
The last annual numeral track meet of the year will be held Wednesday and Thursday of this week, Coach Schulte announced yesterday. All field and track events will be open, and because of the large number of events and entrants, the meet will have to be stretched over two days instead of one. It will be held from 4 to 6 o'clock on both of the days.

The meet will, of course, be held on the indoor track under the east side of the stadium.
Several very good events will be run off it was said. Roberts and Johnson, both star half-milers among the freshmen last year, will probably run an interesting race. Jack Ross, Varsity record holder for the mile, is in trim and will be in the meet.
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American Numerical System, Using Dozens Instead of Tens, Suggested

An "American" system of numbers, in which dozens would take the place of tens now in use in the Arabic system, is proposed by a Chicago man who has prepared a pamphlet urging the change.
A copy, entitled "The American System of Mathematics" was recently received by Dr. A. L. Candy, professor of mathematics, who explained the salient features of the plan at the last meeting of the Mathematics Club.

In the foreword the pamphlet states "There is abundant evidence of a desire and a need of a system which can be handled by dozens (twelves) in large or small denominations and computed in a manner that is as rapid and accurate as that of the tens (Arabic) system that is

in use throughout the world today." Historical Evidence Cited
The use of the dozen as a unit is justified, the author points out, on account of the greater number of factors by which it is divisible. He also cites historical cases of uses of number twelve in biblical prophecies, history, and customs. There were twelve tribes of Israel and twelve apostles. There were twelve states signers of the United States Constitution. There are twelve months in the year, and twelve men constitute a jury.

The essence of the new system consists in the adoption of new symbols for writing ten and eleven. Instead of writing 10 for ten, the letter "T" would be used. A capital "E" would be used for 11. Twelve would be written 1D, the D standing for a cipher, and would be read one dozen. The number twenty, for example, instead of being written 20 as in the Arabic, would be written 18 and called one dozen and eight.

Queer Numbers
When the numbers reach the third decimal place, corresponding to our hundred, as in 129, the unit would be called a "Gross," and 129, in the "American" system, would be one gross, two dozen nine. The next higher division corresponding to our present thousand would be called a "Grand" and indicated 1DDD. Higher than that the unit corresponding to our million, 1, DDD,DDD, would be called an "Amp-Eric," and still

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STARRELS AT WORLD FORUM

"Universalism" Is Subject for Discussion at Wednesday Meeting
TICKETS ON SALE TODAY
The subject "Universalism" will be presented by Rabbi S. Starrels to the World Forum discussion group at its regular meeting Wednesday noon at the Grand Hotel.

This will be the last meeting before the Christmas vacation. Tickets are available at Vespers and at the offices of the two Christian associations.
Rabbi Starrels has for several years been a favorite of student meetings, according to those who are bringing him to the World Forum. Last year he discussed "The Jewish Point of View" in a series on the various religions. Over 150 students heard him at that time.
Must Buy Tickets Today
"The Crucifixion of Christ from the Jewish Standpoint" was announced as the topic, but the speaker is reserving it for use on a later occasion. It is expected, however, that the subject he has substituted will be of as great interest and significance to his hearers.
The address last week on the race question by Miss Juliette Derricotte was attended by nearly 150 students. Because students did not purchase their tickets by Tuesday evening, plates were set for only a hundred. The committee has been forced to announce that tickets sold on the day of the meeting will have ten cents added to the price to cover the extra cost involved.

Ag College Men Plan Annual Oyster Dinner

The men of Ag College are planning an oyster feed Wednesday evening at the cafeteria in the Home Economics building. This annual event sponsored by Ag Club affords a chance for the freshmen to get acquainted with the others in the college.
Good entertainment, with lots of oyster soup and pie is promised by Don Wight, chairman of the committee. Admission of thirty-five cents will be charged.

One Pledge "Up in the Air"
A fraternity prospect at the University of Washington was pledged three thousand feet above his fraternity house. The ceremony took place in an aeroplane.

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The field house has been planned so that capacity crowds can be handled, with a minimum of trouble. Entrances are through a set of double doors, between stone columns. These lead into a wide foyer, where fans will have a chance to get out of the cold, take off their coats, and get their tickets ready. Then they enter another set of doors into a concourse, which runs across the front and around both sides of the

PARIS SCHOLAR RANKS VIRGINIA POET AS BEST

Edward Arlington Robinson United States' Greatest, Says Dr. Cestre

SPEAKS AT CONVOCATION
University of Paris Professor Makes Two Addresses—Comments on American Colleges

Dr. Charles Cestre, professor of American Literature and Civilization at the University of Paris, gave a literary criticism of the Virginia poet, Edward Arlington Robinson, at the 11 o'clock convocation in the Temple theatre Monday morning.
Dr. Cestre is writing a book on the work of the Virginia poet and in his lecture characterized him as the greatest poet of the United States and a humorist of worth. He dwelt upon the philosophy, catholic humanity, and spirituality of the poet. His humor never approached the caustic and pessimistic, but was delicate, said Dr. Cestre.

Robinson was said to appreciate the oddity and queerness of life and to see that these qualities are more or less reflected in all of us.

Professor Cestre compared Robinson with Carlyle and Browning. He said Robinson drew his characters from life about him while Browning chose his from history.

Cestre Uses Perfect English
Professor Cestre has a wonderful command of the English language. His choice of words is precise, his poetical prose exact. This fact, perhaps, held the interest of the audience no less than did the theme of the lecture.

In introducing the speaker, Professor F. M. Fling, said that Prof. Cestre came from the oldest university in the world, the University of Paris, founded 900 years ago, to one of the youngest, the University of Nebraska, less than 50 years old.

From Old University
The University of Paris is only a graduate school for students who are specialists in their field and who study under the greatest instructors in France. This University, in 1919 conferred an honorary degree on

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U HALL EDITION OF ALUMNUS MAILED

December Number of Nebraska Alumnus, Dedicated to Old Building, Just Out
The December issue of the Nebraska Alumnus, a special "U Hall Number," was mailed yesterday. Pictures of the old building, editorials about it, and a special article on "Why U Hall Was Wrecked" are featured.

Claiming the interest of all Nebraska alumni is the wrecking of the old main building, the first on the campus, and long stories of its history and discussions of its present condition find much space in the magazine. "U Hall Gives Up Long Fight," "Had Troubles History," "Difficulties of the Seventies," "Why U Hall Was Wrecked," "What Alumni Think of U Hall," "U Hall Wreckings," and "A New University Hall," by Chancellor Samuel Avery, are some of the featured articles.

A survey of the football season, including a short summary of the Huskers games this fall, is included. Other sport articles are: "A Survey of College Football," "Basketball Squad Starts Practice," and "California's Husker Eleven."

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Actual Play in Football Game Lasts Only 10 Minutes Says Coach Schulte

Is sixty minutes of football sixty minutes? The spectator would say "No," and add that to his best knowledge he sat in the stands for two hours at the Nebraska-Notre Dame game. Coach "Indian" Schulte could tell you that it lasts only ten minutes.

This isn't guess work, but the result of an investigation on the part of the Husker track coach. While at Lawrence, the afternoon following the annual Valley cross country run the coach, with several other members of the cross country team, armed with split-second watches, kept an accurate account of the time lost between plays, and the duration of the plays during the Missouri-Kansas battle.

Make Careful Timing
From the time the ball was declared dead by the official, until it was snapped back from center, two watches caught the waste time. Then two other watches timed the plays from the snapped ball until the play was stopped. The results of this interested the coach to the extent that he had members of his coaching class take the same data of the game here on Thanksgiving.

Of the actual playing time in the Husker-Irish conflict, which totaled sixty minutes, only 10 minutes, 20.3 seconds, were used in advancing the ball by the two teams. In this time 143 plays were executed by the two teams. Notre Dame lost an average of 23 seconds of official time between each play. The Husker play-

ers lost 31.5 seconds per play. In the Kansas-Missouri grid battle there were 140 plays executed in 10 minutes, 51.5 seconds. Kansas lost on an average of 27 seconds per down, with Missouri slightly slower than the Jayhawkers and somewhat faster than the Huskers in the dispatch of plays with an average of 30.3 seconds. Notre Dame holds the speed record.

End Runs Take Time
The investigation pointed out that the average line play of no gain, or perhaps a yard or two, took only about three seconds of playing time. A sweeping end run, or a completed forward pass competed for honors with punts, in consuming the greatest amount of time.

STORM WAVE HITS LINCOLN

Biting Wind and Stinging Snow Make Students Seek Shelter
FAIR WEATHER AHEAD
A sharp wind and gusts of stinging snow swept into the faces of the students as they scurried from building to building Monday. There wasn't much loitering on the walks. Even the Social Science porch was deserted. Radiators were the popular places.

The storm began in Lincoln at 4 o'clock Monday morning. By Monday night the estimated snow fall was over an inch.
Temperature Falls Steadily
The temperature fell gradually all morning and reached twenty degrees above zero at noon. At 5 o'clock the weather bureau in Brace laboratory estimated the temperature at nineteen degrees, with the mercury still moving lower. They predicted a minimum temperature of fifteen degrees for Tuesday morning. Snow was still falling.

The storm covered the entire state. Snowfall was heaviest in the northwestern part, ranging from four to six inches. It reached a depth of fourteen inches in Cheyenne.
Tuesday would be slightly colder and fair, it was predicted.

Knew It Was Coming
Since the three-inch fall in October, practically no snow has fallen, and, according to the bureau, movements of the high and low pressure areas indicated that the storm was to be expected.
Just a year ago, the country was in the grip of a severe cold snap. The mercury hovered near the zero point rather consistently. December 16 the temperature was two degrees above zero; December 18 it fell to six below, reaching a low point of eight degrees December 19, after which it rose again. Eight and one-half inches of snow fell last December.

Trophies at Stake
The N Club will present trophies to the winning teams.
Fraternities having men entered in the contests must see that they are weighed in by 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Wrestling will start at 4 o'clock and will go on until 6 o'clock. If enough men are entered the meet will be continued tomorrow. In any case, the preliminaries will be finished up by Thursday, when the finals will be held, if present plans work out.

Any fraternity man who is satisfactorily carrying at least twelve hours, is eligible to compete. For Delta Chi fraternity DeFord, 135, and Brainard, 175, will probably wrestle. Weber, 125, Lang, 145, Garrer, 115, Kehler, 158, Blessing, 175, and Pospisil, heavyweight, will be in the meet for Theta Chi. For Pi Kappa Alpha there will be Kellow, Lee, Randels, and Negus.

Collins Talks in Museum
Curator Gives Lecture on "English Scenery" Sunday
F. C. Collins, assistant curator of the museum, gave an interesting lecture in the museum last Sunday afternoon. The subject of the lecture was "English Scenery." A good number of people attended.

Next Sunday afternoon, Miss Shanafelt will give a talk on "Nebraska Birds, Animals, and Flowers." This talk will be illustrated by colored lantern slides. These lectures are open to students.

Pioneer Nebraska Soldier Writes of Indian Warfare in State's Early Days

On the way to attack an Indian camp—the thought brought a real thrill to the pioneer soldier.
Such an experience is described in "Nebraska History and Record of Pioneer Days" by C. S. Munnall, of Callaway, Nebraska, when the seventh U. S. cavalry marched to the battle of Washita.

The cavalry left their camp near Fort Hayes, Kansas, October 6, 1869, marching in a southwestwardly direction, arrived at Ft. Dodge. At Camp Beaver Creek, they were joined by General Sheridan and his staff with two companies of Kansas volunteers.

Both crossed the Canadian river through floating ice and snow, and continued southwest toward the Washita mountains, supplied only with one hundred rounds of ammunition. The trail was now taken up by the scouts with three Osages in the lead. At their signal, on November 23, 1868, the column halted and saw the villages of the Black

Kettle tribe. Their own group organization consisted of four commands, one of which was sent miles below.
Attacked at Day Break
"All were to attack at the first dawn of day, when the bugle charge would be sounded and Custer's mounted band would play 'Garry Owen' as it always did in going into battle," writes Mr. Munnall in his account.
"We caught them napping," he adds with a decisive note. The Indian warriors, with considerable confusion but with determined resistance, rushed for trees and ravines. Ten minutes after the charge, the lodges and all their contents were in the possession of the cavalry and volunteers.
Indians Hard To Dislodge
"But the real fighting, rarely, if ever, equalled in Indian warfare, began when we attempted to dislodge

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CHORUS SINGS 'THE MESSIAH' ON THURSDAY

Date for Annual Christmas Production of Oratorio Is Changed
CLASSES NOT DISMISSED
But Students Wishing to Attend Will Be "Excused from Conflict-ing Classes"

The thirteenth annual Christmas production of Handel's "Messiah" will be given by the University chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Carrie B. Raymond, on Thursday, December 17, at 10 o'clock, instead of on Friday, as has always been the custom.

Although it was originally announced that the oratorio would be sung on Friday, it has definitely been decided to give the production on Thursday.
Orchestra To Assist
The University orchestra, directed by William T. Quick, will assist in the production.

Classes will not be dismissed, as they have in years gone by. However, all students wishing to attend "The Messiah" will be allowed to do so, and they will be "excused from conflicting classes."

Soloists who will have parts in the oratorio are:
Harriet Cruise, soprano.
Edward Ellingson, tenor.
Katherine Dean, contralto.
Herman Decker, bass.

Soloists with the orchestra will be:
Edward Walt, first violin.
Ernest Harrison, second violin.
William T. Quick, viola.
Lillian Eiche, violincello.
Mark Pierce, bass.
Don Berry, trumpet.
Fleda Graham, piano.
Edith Burlington, organ.

"The Messiah" was written in 1741 by the famed composer, George Handel. It is a portrayal of the coming of the Savior and is annually produced at many places at Christmas time.
The program:

"The Prophecy"
Tenor: "Comfort Ye, My People,"
"Every Valley Shall Be Exalted."
Chorus: "And the Glory of the Lord"
Bass: "Thus Saith the Lord of Hosts," "But Who May Abide the Day of His Coming?"

"The Nativity"
Soprano: "There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Fields."
Chorus: "Glory to God in the Highest."
Contralto: "He Shall Feed His Flock."
Soprano: "Come into Him."

"The Passion"
Chorus: "Behold the Lamb of God."
Contralto: "He Was Despised."
Chorus: "Surely He has Borne Our Griefs."
Tenor: "Thy Rebuke Has Broken His Heart, But Thou Didst Not Leave His Heart."
Chorus: "Lift Up Your Heads O Ye Gates."
"The Resurrection"
Soprano: "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."
Quartet and Chorus: "Since By Man Came Death."
Bass: "The Trumpet Shall Sound."
Chorus: "Hallelujah, The Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth."

FERGUSON ISSUES PERSONELL SURVEY
Report of National Society Distributed to Engineering Faculty
By Dean

Dean Ferguson is distributing to the members of the Engineering college faculty, in pamphlet form, the report of the committee of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education on "Teaching Personnel."
The report contains data relative to the sources from which engineering teachers are drawn, such arrangements as may be made for the permitting of younger teachers to advance in their profession, the salaries paid to various grades of instructors, the tendency of instructors to leave the profession and enter the industry, and the degrees held by teachers.
The actual annual loss of teachers to professions, as disclosed by the pamphlet, is 6.75 per cent. The percentage of teachers changing positions in institutions is ten per cent. In both these cases the largest percentage is applicable to instructorships rather than professorships.

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