

# Annual University Debate Expects Ninety Teams From Nine State Area

Ninety debate teams are expected to participate Friday and Saturday in the annual University Debate and Discussion Conference.

There will be 110 persons taking part in discussion, 24 in oratory, 34 in extemporaneous speaking and 19 in interpretative reading, totalling nearly 190 people.

The trophy and certificates for superior ratings will be presented 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Howell Memorial Theater.

The conference will open with registration at 8 a.m. Friday at Temple Building. Three discussion rounds, interpretative reading and extemporaneous speaking rounds will be held Friday morning. Three debate rounds will be held in the afternoon.

There will be an informal banquet at 6:15 p.m. Friday in the Union Ballroom. The oratory session and the second round of extemporaneous speaking will be held Friday night.

The final two debate rounds are scheduled for Saturday morning. A parliamentary session will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Schools registered for the conference include:

Nebraska—Creighton University, Dana College, Hastings College, Kearney State Teachers College, McCook Junior College, Midland College, Nebraska Wesleyan University, University of Nebraska and University of Omaha.

Colorado — Colorado State College of Education and University of Denver.

Illinois — Illinois State Normal University and Northwestern University.

Iowa — Iowa Central College, Iowa State College, Iowa State Teachers College, Iowa Wesleyan University, Morningside College, State University of Iowa, Westmar College.

Kansas — College of Emporia, Hutchinson Junior College, Kansas State Teachers College, Ottawa University, Southwestern College, Tabor College, University of Kansas, Washburn University, Wichita University.

Minnesota — College of St. Thomas, Concordia College, Northwestern College St. John's University, St. Olaf College.

Missouri — Central Missouri State College, Northeast State

Teachers College, University of Kansas City, Washington University, William Jewell College.

South Dakota — Augustana College, Black Hill Teachers College.

Huron College, Sioux Falls College, Southern Teachers College, Yankton College.

Wisconsin — State Teachers College.

## Forensic History Varied, Interesting

When eighty debate teams from seven states invade the University Friday for the annual Debate and Discussion Conference, the school will see in action what used to be the most important extra-curricular activity of college students.

Though debate has become one of lesser publicized activities, several thousand students continue to participate each year.

The University, according to Don Olson, coach, wins on the average of seventy per cent of its debates, "a rather outstanding record."

In an interview with the Daily Nebraskan, Olson explained the progress of University debating since the beginning of the school.

"The early literary societies initiated debate in most schools," he said. "The first University student group to engage in the art was The Palladian Literary Society, still in existence on the campus."

It is interesting to note that many of the questions considered by the early debaters are still matters of contention, Olson stated.

Some of these questions are: "That the President of the United States should hold but one term of office."

"That the laboring classes have just cause for complaint."

"That the reading of the Bible and other religious exercise should be prohibited by law."

"That military instruction in the United States should be abolished."

Other questions are less likely to be found in modern day debating.

"That circumstances have more to do with the formation of a man's character than the man himself."

"That the annexation of Canada would be beneficial to the United States."

In 1901 a debating board was set up to control the activity and a debate coach was appointed. At this time, all women were barred from participating in debate, a policy which continued until 1941, Olson remarked. A four-year training program, known as "The System" was set up by the new

coach.

In the spring of 1906 The Daily Nebraskan reported, "The Nebraska-Wisconsin debate which will take place in Memorial Hall tomorrow night will attract an immense crowd. Three-fourths of the seats on the main floor have been taken by college organizations. The Senior Laws will attend in a body to root in honor of Mr. Corey who is the only '07 law student on the team." At the Iowa debate the next year, the paper records that "Those in charge of the debate indicate that at least a thousand people will be present"

At this time, debaters could be expected to take part in three or four debates each year. In 1926 the number began to increase and in 1939 the Cornhusker stated that "Each season the University of Nebraska engages in thirty or more intercollegiate debates." At the present time, Olson said, the squad has about 150 debates each year.

"From 1920 until 1942 Nebraska did not participate in decision debating," according to Olson. Though at the present time, almost all debates have decisions, we continue to stress quality ratings above win-loss records."

"This year, with about twenty members on the squad, we have taken part in about 120 debates and have won about 70 per cent," Olson said. The team won the sweepstakes trophy at Winfield, Kansas and also took the women division there.

The question for this year is "Resolved that the United States should discontinue direct economic aid to foreign nations".

### GUADALAJARA SUMMER SCHOOL

The accredited bilingual school sponsored by the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara and members of Stanford University faculty will offer in Guadalajara, Mexico, July 1-Aug. 10, courses in art, folklore geography, history, language and literature. \$225 covers tuition, board and room. Write Prof. Juan B. Rael, Box K, Stanford University, Calif.

### Dunninger:

## Telepathist Calls Women 'Emotional'

Dunninger, mental telepatist who will appear in the Coliseum Friday, says, "I like skeptics. They eliminate coincidence or the possibility of "plants" in the audience because they are always thinking of tests."

Dunninger also says that the thoughts of women are more emotional than those of men. "Women are always thinking of the pleasant little things that make life more enjoyable for husbands or friends."

"Also, a woman's mind is always new because she is always changing it," continued the telepatist, who has read the minds of six presidents.

Telepathy, Dunninger claims, is not a unique talent nor has it anything to do with the supernatural. Telepathy is a power than anyone can possess if they take the time to develop their power of extra sensory perception. The University psychology department has made no other comment on this statement than "Dunninger is a great entertainer."

The supernatural, mystic sort of program is not the kind presented by Dunninger. He has vigorously denied the existence of spirits, offering \$10,000 to anyone who can show him a real house-haunting ghost, and, along with Thomas Edison and Harry Houdini, has sought to expose frauds who take advantage of public gullibility to hold "table rapping seances."

Dunninger also admits that his is not an exact art. "I cannot read the thoughts of a person who refuses to concentrate or opposes me. Man's mind has defenses against invasion which are impenetrable without accord of purpose."

"That is why I maintain only 90 per cent accuracy," Dunninger states. "Some people refuse to relax and let their thoughts flow to me. With them, I can do nothing."

### Bus Ad Smoker

Delta Sigma Pi, men's professional business fraternity, will hold a smoker for all male business administration majors Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Parlors A, B, and C of the Union, according to Jerry Lincoln, president.

### BABW Board Filings

Filings are now open for independent women interested in serving on the BABW Board. Applications will not be accepted after Friday. Applications may be made at the BABW office in Room 309 of the Union.

Applicants are asked to sign for interviews when they apply.

### Dance Slated Saturday

BABW and University Residence Halls for Men are sponsoring a dance which will be held in the Men's Dormitory Saturday from 9 to 12 p.m. A combo will provide the music. Both dates and stags are welcome.

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Ken Boekeloo (center foreground) at the scene of a cable installation project in Detroit.

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