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## ORATORICAL REGULATIONS

### Meeting of Society Saturday Straight- en Out Doubtful Points.

#### --The Plan.

The oratorical association met Saturday afternoon with President Jones in the chair. Schuyler Miller and Corresponding Secretary Roper explained the proposed plan of a contest between Nebraska and Minnesota. Those present expressed their hearty approval of the many new and striking features that are to be embodied in the governing rules.

Four suitable subjects for extempore oratory will be mailed by each university to its opponent on the same day. Two subjects are to be chosen from each set of four. Of course these may be for sufficient reasons rejected. Each university will select two orators for the contest. Fifteen minutes will be allowed to each speaker. The language is to be entirely the product of the occasion, and the judges will be authorized to discriminate against any one who has committed his oration or any appreciable part thereof. At 6 o'clock of the evening on which the contest is held, the contestants will review their individual subjects. This allotment will be under the supervision of the chancellor of the university at which the contest is held. There will be five judges, each deciding for himself, what constitutes good oratory, and will sign and seal his decision without conference.

The local contest to select our two representatives will be held April 20. It will follow quite closely the essential features of the inter state in order to better acquaint the contestants with the work they will have to perform when they meet in a larger arena. A committee possessing general supervisory powers has been appointed. In a few days it will announce the contest subjects, these having dependent upon the numbers of competitors. It is the intent to choose subjects that are full of interest and have not been rendered threadbare by repeated oratorical mulling.

An attractive feature of this new league is the story-writing contest. Three stories from each university competing for honors. The two winning first and second places will be read at the close of the oratorical contest. The English department has the matter in charge.

The object of this extempore oratory is to cultivate a dignified and manly, but simple and direct style. We lack faith in that training which labors on a single oration until the student knows the vocal intonation, inflection, pitch and degree of force he will apply to each word; and just how he will manipulate his hands and feet throughout the oration.

#### BIMETALLIC LEAGUE BANQUET.

The university bimetallic league held its first annual banquet at the Lincoln hotel last Saturday night. W. J. Bryan was the guest of honor; T. M. Patterson of Denver, Colorado, and Governor Poynter were also present. A large crowd, composed mostly of professors and members of the league enjoyed a most sumptuous spread, consisting of seven courses, after which the responses to toasts were listened to for two hours. Hagenow's orchestra furnished the music for the evening

March—"The Man Behind the Gun" ..... Sousa  
Medley Overture—"A Trip Thro' Coontown" ..... Chattaway  
Waltz—"Italian Nights" ..... Tobin  
Trombone Solo—"The Lost Chord" ..... Sullivan  
Will B. Richardson.

Fantasia—"My Old Kentucky Home" ..... Longey  
Selection—"Jacinta" ..... Tobin  
Two Step—"Topsy's in Town," Crosby.  
Xylophous—Solo—"Rosa"—Mazurka ..... Agamska  
Max Adamska.

Overture—"America" ..... Hermann  
The banquet was preceded by an invocation offered by Professor Hodgman. W. F. McNaughton, who is president of the league acted as toastmaster. Governor Poynter responded to the toast, "America"; F. M. Patterson spoke at length upon the leading issues, particularly emphasizing the Puerto Rican and trust questions. Among other things he paid compliments to Nebraska, its energetic manner of forming clubs and especially the bimetallic league itself. W. J. Bryan responded to the toast "America," not dwelling at length upon any one issue, but touching all. He spoke very encouragingly of the prospects for the coming campaign and especially complimented and encouraged the league upon its work

#### SIXTH PUPILS' RECITAL.

The sixth students' recital of the university school of music occurred last evening in chapel, the program was slightly longer than usual, but fully up to par in all respects. Below is given the selections and performers:

Piano Solo—Polonaise F. Sharp  
Minor Op. 44 ..... Chopin  
Edna MacDonald.  
Contralto Solo—"Absent," .....  
..... John W. Metcalf  
Rosanna Bradt.  
Piano Solo—Nocturne B Major, Chopin  
Maude Graham.  
Soprano Solo—"Serenade" .....  
..... Reginald de Koven  
Terressa Salle.  
Violin Solo—14th Concerto...Kreutzer  
Allegro  
Agnes Brownell.  
Piano Solo—"L'Angelus"....Sieveking  
(After Millet)  
Riganond..... Raff  
Daisy McClure.  
Soprano Solo—"Love Has Eyes"....  
..... H. R. Bishop  
"Barcarolle" ..... J. S. Torry  
Catherine Agnew.  
Piano Solo—Scherzo C Sharp Minor  
Op. 39 ..... Chopin  
Frances Gage.  
Contralto Solo—"Serenade to Zanetto" ..... Massenet  
"My Love is Like a Red Red Rose" ..... F. S. Hastings  
Lora Holmes.  
Tenor Solo—Recitative and Aria  
from "Hymn of Praise," Mendelssohn  
John Martin.  
Piano Solo—Valse Caprice, Rubinstein  
May Belle Hagenow.  
Contralto Solo—"Droop Not Young  
Lover" ..... Haendel  
Grace Reynolds.  
Piano Solo—Sonata E Flat Op. 31  
No. 3 ..... Beethoven  
Allegro. Allegretto Vivace  
Earle Wehn.

## MANY SOCIAL EVENTS.

### Lenten Season Does Not Stop Univer- sity Society.--Delta Gam- ma Banquet.

On Friday evening the members of the Delta Gamma gathered at the delightful home of Miss Garten to do honor to their twenty-eighth birthday by feasting and merry-making. At seven o'clock the young ladies sat down to a glittering banqueting table which was stretched through two long rooms and laid for forty covers. From the chandelier to the four corners of the table were festoons of pink roses. The tout ensemble of color was pink. Silver candelabras with pink candles, and vases of pink roses were on the table. The lights were shaded in pink and so for a few hours, at least, the world itself was rose colored to a number of people. The great mantle, covered with many strands of smilax and clusters of pink roses, formed a charming back-ground to the table and its guests. The menu cards were most attractive, being in the shape of archors and tied with pink, blue and bronze silk cords. On the shield part of the card were fascinating girls' heads done in water colors by Mrs. Edmisten and Mrs. Nicholson. Those present were: Misses Haggard, Deutsch, Dennis, Wing, Deweese, Starrett, Mullon, Rice, Webster, Gregory, Cochrane, Bridge, Laura Bridge, Garten, Woods, Noren, Watkins, Polk, Mulliken, Woods, Welch, Davis, Tukey, Cole, Macomber, Maude Macomber, Jaynes, Jackson, Haecker, Keaney, Hamilton, Daniels, Honeywell, Wilson, and Harley. Mesdames Sherman, Fisher, Woods, Edmisten and Lau. The toasts fulfilled the functions of a toast being short, wise and witty.

Toastmistress—Miss Haggard.  
The University—Miss Mullon.  
Wandering Feet—Miss Deweese.  
Heavenly Hash—Miss Jackson.  
Fishermen's Luck—Miss Woods.  
The Twentieth Century Midway—  
Miss Macomber.

#### MENU.

Grape Fruit au Claret.  
Pea Consomme  
Wafers and Radishes.  
Scalloped Salmon.  
Brown Bread and Pickles.  
Chicken Patties.  
Potato Balls. Parker House Rolls.  
Cranberry Sherbert.  
Tomato Salad.  
Cheese Straws. Olives.  
Frozen Pudding.  
Birds' Nests of Spun Sugar.  
Angel's Food.

On Saturday evening, March 10th, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Ward gave a musical in honor of Miss Ward. Mrs. Frank M. Hall was of the receiving party. Mrs. Wilson's gown was of mode silk, with garnitures of cerise silk and white ribbon. Mrs. Ward wore a skirt of white satin, with a corsage of lace with violet trimmings. Miss Ward was charming in a gown of blue and white striped silk, with net flounces and blue ribbon parures. Mrs. Isaac M. Raymond and Mrs. Jansen presided at the table. They were assisted by Misses Poynter, Gregory, Garten, Cochrane, Whiting, Adelloyd Whiting, Ellen Gere, Frances Gere, Ricketts, Richards and Kirker. The music was listened to with enjoyment rendering the following program:

and enthusiasm. Mr. Charles Hagenow, accompanied by Miss Mabel Hagenow, gave an encore to his rendering of the "Gavotte in D," by Popper, the "Song of the Evening Star." Mrs. Campbell, as an encore to "Penelope Wearing a Garment from Odeysseus," by Max Bruch, sang "Oh, That We Two Were Maying," by Nevin. Mr. August Hagenow, Miss Mabel Hagenow, accompanist, for an encore to his three numbers, "Canzonetta," by Herbert, "Stilles Glueck," by Schaker, "Traumerel," by Schumann, gave the "Berceuse," by Godard. The last number on the program, "Angels' Serenade," was given by request, it having been played during the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

Miss Laura Bridge is the guest of her sister, Miss Bridge, at Seventeenth and Washington streets.

Miss Noren of McCook, and Miss Woods of Schuyler, are the guests of Miss Welch.

Chancellor and Mrs. C. E. Bessey gave a luncheon on Wednesday to Professor and Mrs. Burnett, Professor and Mrs. Crabtree and Dr. and Mrs. Ellwood.

Miss Sarah Muir gave an elaborate dinner party for several of the young ladies of the senior class, Wednesday evening, at her home on Fourteenth and R streets. The decorations throughout were in violet and corn, the class colors. Miniature, hand-painted cards, the work of Miss Muir and a bunch of violets tied with corn colored ribbon were presented to each guest. Covers were laid for Miss Wigenhorn, Miss Jessie MacFarland, Miss Ruth Wilson, Miss Mulliken, Miss Whiting, Miss Burke, Miss Hammond, and Miss Muir.

A very pleasant party of an informal nature was given at the conservatory Wednesday evening by Miss Salle, Miss Bradt, and the Misses Blendina and Bianche Emmons. Those present were the Misses Outcalt, Hayes, Clara Hammond, Anna Hammond, Bennett, Gahan, Houtz, and Beaver. Messrs. Hayes, Collett, Crandall, Pearse, Clarke, Raymond Edmiston, Lister, Saunders, and Kimball.

Mrs. C. H. Morrill entertained the Woman's Faculty club Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. A. F. Newman gave an account of her trip to Honolulu and exhibited her relics from the Hawaii islands. Miss Grace Reynolds sang and Miss Minnie Morrill and Miss Tressa Reagan served refreshments.

A few of the members of Phi Kappa Psi gave an informal dinner party at the chapter house on Saturday evening.

Miss Holbrooke introduced a new and unique manner of entertainment in giving a breakfast party Wednesday morning for a few friends.

On Saturday night at Walshs hall the members of the senior class gave a party, a preamble to the regular annual prom. Dancing and card playing were indulged in and enjoyed by the many seniors present. A small conflagration in one of the cozy corners added a little excitement and enjoyment.