

**HUBBARD LIKES NEBRASKA.**

In the Philistine, Elbert Hubbard thus discourses upon his visit to the west in January:

"Lincoln was all right, too—not so big a crowd, but all very sympathetic and earnest. There was a reception at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Sherman, where I met several hundred well-dressed, kindly, cultured people. I lookt for the Wild and Woolly, but failed to locate it. Among the callers was Governor Poynter, who had the felicity to be born in Illinois, only a few miles from where I used to cultivate stone-bruises. The English department at the university of Nebraska seems to me quite the best of any college school of which I know in America.

"At Lincoln they pay special attention to having the scholar express himself by writing the English language. They try to give freedom and make language fluid; give wings to the imagination & add cubits to the spiritual stature of the scholar by abolishing fear. Some of the papers I examined, written by the young men and women of the University of Nebraska, were models in clear, terse, vivid expression. The sentences were short, crisp, easily followed and showed there were men behind them. The period was used instead of the semi-colon. It is all Co-Ed at Lincoln—decidedly Co-Ed—and a brighter, more earnest lot of students I never saw. An. lookee, Mister, over half of them are working their way thru college. They go to college, and there is a deal of difference between going to college and being sent. Those who go to college get there EH—the others may.

"There was a banquet after the lecture, given by the Nebraska press association. Two hundred editors were present—many of them with their wives. They cut the speechmaking down and gave the time to two men—Fra Elbertus and Hon. J. Sterling Morton. The Nebraska editors are good stuff and evidently are making a deal more money than the average country editor in the effete and dreamy east. They were a fine, acute, hearty body of men and their women folks were right on to every joke and allusion—letting nothing go by. I lookt for them to muf a few of my flies, but they never did. Mr. Morton is a member of the American Academy of Immortals. He has been governor of the state, a member of the cabinet and is, and has been, a farmer in Nebraska since 1854. There is a merry twinkle in his fine blue eye. He tosst a few gently over the home plate and then there came a fierce in-curve that gave me a walk to first—a limp, I should say. Still, I guess I can stand it."

**CHANGES IN FOOTBALL RULES.**

Pennsylvania's position in regard to the proposed changes in football rules was stated yesterday by Mr. John C. Bell, chairman of the football committee and a member of the inter-collegiate football rules committee.

"The most important change suggested," said Mr. Bell, "is the abolition of the side-line privilege. I heartily favor a rule forbidding anyone on the side lines, not even allowing rubbers or extra players inside the ropes. This would cause a good deal of bad feeling to cease much of which is due to the presence of coaches and trainers on the side lines. It would also prohibit the charge of games being won by pointers received at critical times from coaches on the side lines.

"It has also been proposed to make a change in the scoring, but I fail to see the necessity for such a change at this time. Should there be a difference in the number of points allowed for touchdowns, field goals and goals

from touchdowns, there would only be a relative difference in the final result.

The meeting of the rules committee will be held soon, probably the latter part of next week, and the changes mentioned by Mr. Bell will be thoroughly discussed by representatives from all the big football colleges. It is not likely any more radical changes will be made than those mentioned by Mr. Bell.—Pennsylvanian.

**INTER-STATE DEBATES.**

The inter-state debates will take place within the next few weeks, although the exact date has been set for only one contest. Kansas will meet our men here on May 4 and the question, although not definitely decided, will probably be on trusts. A. L. Deal, G. T. Talbot and Miss Ainstene will represent Nebraska. The debate with Colorado will also occur here. The date will be the latter part of April, but the exact day has not been decided upon. The question is: "Resolved, that Great Britain's claims in the Transvaal are justifiable." Our men, F. G. Hawxby, C. C. Crouch, and Samuel Hawthorne, will have the negative side. The Missouri-Nebraska debate will occur in Missouri. The date has not been set. The question will be the same as with Colorado and we will have the same side as in that debate. Nebraska representatives will be R. S. Baker, H. A. Mier, and E. H. Smith.

Harvard will erect a memorial gate, on which will be inscribed the names of the Harvard men who took part in the Spanish-American war.

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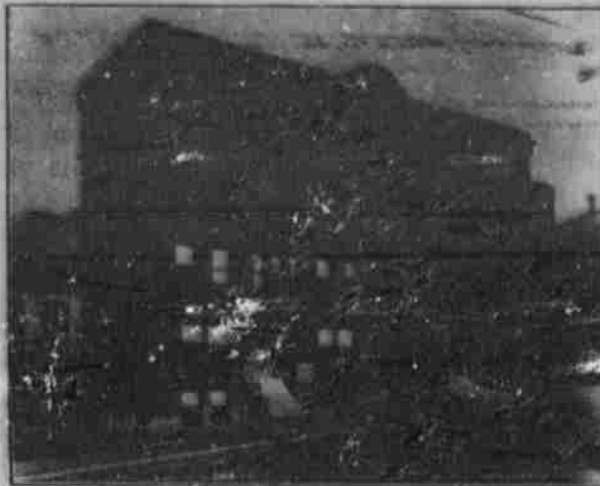
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