

## THE STANFORD DEBATE.

By the unanimous vote of the executive committee of the Debating Association of Leland Stanford University at its last meeting the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Intercollegiate Debating Committee be authorized to accept the challenge for a debate to be held at Lincoln, Nebraska, this semester, provided that the return debate for next year be held in the fall semester and provided that further arrangements for this debate shall in no wise operate to the detriment of the Intercollegiate debate with California."

Following the adoption, the committee immediately wired Nebraska as follows:

"B. R. Gorden, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska:—Stanford will debate Lincoln this semester and pay expenses of bringing Nebraska team here next year if debate held here fall semester. If this is suggested arrangements or question satisfactory proceed immediately and wire result. Suggest tentatively April 6th for this year."

Stanford held her preliminaries for choice of her speakers last Saturday evening.

Upon the receipt of this telegram Pres. O'Connell issued a call for a meeting of the Debating Association. The meeting was held last Saturday in the old chapel and lasted from 9:40 a.m. until 5 p.m. with an hour's recess at noon. An agreement was reached only after a long and stormy debate. The Association first went into a committee of the whole to discuss the method of selecting the speakers to meet Leland Stanford. The committee of the whole recommended holding preliminaries to decide upon the speakers. This report was adopted by the association after a prolonged discussion. The preliminary will be held on March 25th and is open to all students in the University.

## KANSAS WINS.

The Kansas-Nebraska debate took place Saturday evening at Lawrence, in which Kansas received the decision.

The question debated was, "Resolved, That the United States should construct, own, control, and fortify the Nicaraguan Canal. Nebraska had the negative side. The Nebraska debaters were, W. F. Meier, G. A. Johnson, and A. J. Theobald, and those representing Kansas, J. A. Deolin, C. F. Runnold, and H. H. Tangeman.

Each speaker was allowed fifteen minutes, and afterwards ten minutes was allowed each side for rebuttal.

Tired, foot sore, and longing for sleep, the Nebraska debators returned from Lawrence at different intervals yesterday. Although suffering under defeat the boys were by no means disheartened. They were assured by many of the Kansas people that they did admirably well under the circumstances as they existed. Mr. Caldwell, the time keeper, who is an alumnus of the Kansas University, said,— "Although I am pleased to have Kansas win, yet I will say candidly, each of you expressed argument, too decisive to be overcome by our boys."

The unfortunate circumstance which caused Nebraska's defeat was an error resulting from the correspondence between the secretaries of the two debating associations, prior to the debate. The question as received from Kansas in the first place was worded differently from the official one as read just before the debate. When our debators saw the change in the wording they knew that the decision would be given against them. Mr. Meier in speaking of this, said,— "If we had

known this condition of affairs existed, we would never have left Lincoln." Aside from the chagrin caused by this mishap, they were generous in their praise of the Kansas people for the treatment they had received while there.

## A HAT AND A CAP.

The senior hats arrived last week and have already caused one of the most interesting sparring matches ever seen in Lincoln. It was pulled off in the Library hall Thursday afternoon. The principals were President John Swenson of the Senior class and President Frederick K. Neilson of the Junior class. There was not so large a crowd present as there might have been if the mill had been properly advertised but the people attracted by the noise made up in enthusiasm what they lacked in numbers.

The trouble started in this wise: President Swenson was sitting in the Library reading history with one hand and guarding his new senior hat with the other, when he was approached by a certain Sophomore who engaged him in conversation. Almost at once a senior approached from the other side to confer with the President. This distracted his attention from the Sophomore for a short time and when he turned the senior hat was gone!

President Swenson at once saw Junior machinations in this incident and borrowing another Senior hat, set out to make reprisals. He proceeds to President Neilson's room which he entered by force or otherwise and secured Neilson's football cap. With this in his possession he returned to the Library where he met the Junior and a lively scrap took place, in which Neilson secured the borrowed Senior hat and kept it. Thus within the brief period of two hours Swenson had lost two good Senior hats. His feelings may be better imagined than described. Then the Sophomore returned the President's own hat. He does not regard the man who swiped it from him a successful practical joker.

## ON THE BASE BALL FIELD.

During the past week the base ball men have been putting in some hard work in practice. A change in the weather made practice on the field possible, and on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nearly all the candidates for positions were out.

It is pleasing to note the interest that is being taken by the base ball enthusiasts of the University. Every day there is a crowd of "fans" upon the bleachers sizing up the new men, and taking a look at the old and familiar faces.

As yet, predictions are entirely out of order. The men who are showing up well on the infield are Gaines, Rhodes, Raymond, Bell, Johnson, Bender, Rainey, Crandall, Hood, and others. The battery work is still being carried on in the "cage." The pitchers showing up best at present are Townsend, Gaines, Shaw, and Bender. Doane, Ringer, Maloney, Rainey, and Finley are doing the back-stop work. The outfield is filled up well by Bell, DePutron, Raymond, Brittenham, Shidler, Wight, and Shaw. Besides the candidates above mentioned there are many candidates who have not yet been able to appear upon the field.

The management is well pleased with the outlook. Coach and Captain are both of the opinion that a strong team will be produced from the present aggregation.

The College of Medicine and literary building at Iowa State University were destroyed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. The loss will exceed \$250,000.



## SOCIETY

Saturday, March ninth, marked the forty-fifth birthday of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and, for the eighth time, Nebraska Lambda-Pi chapter celebrated the event. A ten course dinner was served, in the ordinary at the Lincoln, to the active chapter and a number of visiting alumni. N. M. Davidson, '99, acted as the toast master, bringing forth some responses as wise as witty. Congratulatory messages were received by telegraph from some of the sister chapters engaged in like celebrations. The chapter was also the recipient of some nice remembrances from friends in tow.

The annual hop of Co. B., of the cadet battalion was given at Walsh Hall last Friday evening. The decorations were in scarlet and cream and a large United States flag was draped over the entrance. Ices were served during the evening. D. Hansen was chairman of the committee on arrangements and W. P. Wallace was master of ceremonies. The chaperons were Prof. and Mrs. Richards, Prof. and Mrs. Fosslar, Mr. and Mr. Hansen of Fairbury, and Mrs. McPhee of Minden. Those present were Misses Outcalt, Ratliff, Tukey, Louise Tukey, Cole, Monseywell, Robinson, Shaw, Post, Paddock, Elizabeth Paddock, Foster, Risser, Roberts, Henry, Marshall, Andrews, Sedgwick, Burress, Agnew, Moore, Loomis, Thorpe, Hamilton, Hammond, Anna Hammond, Griggs, Funke, Jenkins, Bowlby, Edgren, and Messrs. Watkins, McCreery, Sherman, Stein, Lau, Cotton, Everett, Blackman, McMasters, Schock, Crandall, Roberts, Smith, Horne, Lewis, King, Buckley, Davidson, Andrews, Fawell, Rainey, Shaw, Stratton, Stuhr, Hansen, Wallace, Elliott, Bartlett, Klinge, DePutron, Roth, Starke, Sedgwick, Holt, Hill Huse, Lyman, Drain, Brown, Longley, Wright, DeWeese, Allen, Abbott, Peters, Jouvenat, Fricke, Beckman, Hunger, Carnahan, and Andrews.

PRIZES FOR LETTERS ABOUT NEBRASKA.

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Other prizes are: Trips to Colorado, the Black Hills, Chicago, and St. Louis.

There are also several cash prizes.

The Burlington offers these prizes for letters that will encourage immigration to Nebraska. Letters descriptive of successful farming, cattle raising, dairying, fruit growing and similar pursuits are available for the purpose in view.

The contest closes May 31, 1901.

Circular giving full information will be mailed on request.

J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

## DEBATING CLUBS.

The Maxwell Club will debate the following question Saturday evening March 16.

Resolved, That the existence of political parties in a state is favorable to the public welfare.

Affirmative, Lundburg, Bruckman, Locke, Negative, Storch, Mulligan, Drullner.

The U. S. D. C. will debate the following question: Resolved, That the annexation of Canada to the United States would promote the best interests of both countries.

Affirmative, Strayer, Brown, and Barker. Negative, Kowigh, Pospisil, and Chase.

The Palladians will debate the question, Resolved, That the administration's attitude toward the independence of Cuba is justifiable.

The Delian Club will debate the question Resolved, That the permanent retention of the Philippines by the United States is desirable.

Affirmative, Maxwell, Hodge, Berkley, Negative, Monroe, Batie, O'Connell.

The Delians have elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Pres. V. C. Bates, V. Pres. R. C. Harrison, Sec.-Treas. C. W. Edgerton; Attorneys, Roy Backford and C. R. Sargent; Sgt. at Arms, R. W. McCallum. Runnold, and H. H. Faugeman.

The senior and junior basket ball teams will probably play a game on Saturday of this week.

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