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ing semester to all present subscribers.

The World-Herald is striving hard to persuade the public that the results of its superficial canvass through its own interested agents represent the opinion of the people of the state in regard to the Temple Fund. It is still tremulous lest our institution shall lose the good will and proud regard of the people who have thus far supported it, although it is using every artifice within its power to bring about such a result. In order to show how far it is succeeding in its designs it prints additional opinions, which are purported to be representative and which as some of them show openly deal only with a certain class. All of the opinions submitted bear the earmarks of the work of some individual who has taken scrupulous care to procure the only kind that he knows well is wanted. Being relied upon he did not care to disappoint expectations, and accordingly has arranged matters in the way that he knows will be suitable and prints things in as cheerful a light as possible for the cause he represents. The sheet even prints poetry in its eagerness for something aping its own course to fill up space—poetry which from a rhetorical point of view at least, is a sacrilege upon the English language. Thus with a confused incongruity of solicited opinions from individuals servile effusions of spiritless newspapers and the doggerel of an individual who has lived a long and useful career without ever getting his line in print before, the World-Herald works out its personal spite in attempting to carry out a purpose in which its own selfish interests alone are identified.

The World-Herald has much to say about Nebraska selling her honor. The World-Herald never had any honor. If it ever had, it would have been sold out long ago if a price had been offered. Nebraska's honor and the political designs of the World-Herald are too widely separated things, and it is a shame to associate a thing so noble with designs so base. The honor of our state has been called into question alone by manifestations of malice and dishonest methods that a paper which is supposed to work for the best purposes and to be one of the great papers of the state has displayed.

Dispatches coming in from various towns of the state indicate that the opinion of the greater part of their citizens have been misrepresented by the World-Herald and give facts to contradict the statements made by that paper. Also in the cases where the sentiment was alleged to be equally divided, the preponderance of opinion was in favor of the Temple Fund. Unwilling to state the real facts the correspondents sought to compromise, in order that they might not completely disappoint expectations. Other opinions

were sent in by newspapers condemning the World-Herald's course, but naturally these never saw print, as that paper merely desired those agreeable to itself. We are able to lay hands upon the copy of one opinion that was sent in and never published because it strongly condemned the infamy of the paper that solicited it. In the hopes of stirring up rancor and bitterness against the Temple Fund, the World-Herald has stood a mendicant at the back door of the state press, eagerly grasping such crumbs as might be suitable to its ravenous hunger for emulative yellowness.

Yet after all the World-Herald thinks that we will have the building, but that all sorts of distressing things will follow. The people of Nebraska have too much good will and proud regard for our University to be influenced by the falseness and baseness of a partisan sheet seeking to do us ill. If the question should ever become an issue, the only result would be a repudiation of the deceitful and infamous course of the World-Herald in setting up its own selfish ends before all that is decent and right.

Prof. Smith at Chapel.

The convocation period was taken up yesterday morning by Prof. G. S. Smith of the sociology department of the University of Minnesota and Mr. Burt, the national trainer of secretaries of the Y. M. C. A., who talked only a few minutes, in which he spoke of the state Y. M. C. A. convention, that is now in session in the city, and urged the students to attend all the meetings possible and especially to be present at the address of W. G. Colton. After this short talk the remaining time was fully and profitably taken up by Prof. S. G. Smith, who spoke in part as follows:

"When I came here I was asked whether I had heard of the great institution of learning you have in Nebraska, and I answered that every man in the United States connected with education knows of Nebraska, and in particular does Minnesota have knowledge of the 'Cornhuskers.' That last game was our 'Bull Run' and by and by we expect to meet you at Appomattox."

He eulogized Chancellor Andrews as a prominent educator, and a man of broad experience and knowledge, and in this connection he said there were others here worthy of distinction, but particularly did he wish to mention the name of Dr. Ross as a man who was fast becoming a leader in sociology and receiving universal recognition.

He continued his address with the discussion of sociology or psychological subjects.

"In psychology," he said, "there must be some previous readjustments made to fit us for civilization. I do not know exactly for what work you grant diplomas here, I suppose, however, it is the same as in other institutions of like nature; but I expect to see the time when diplomas will be granted to a man who has trained his mind so as to hold it on a subject for an hour without playing in the background. That is, I have reference to graduate students, for Seniors one-half hour would be sufficient. The savage can't hold his attention at anything, and people who can not have never overcome the savage intellect. Many men wear fine shoes and dress like civilized people, but mentally they are uncivilized and have feathers in their intellect. The savages would sell their hammock cheaper in the morning because of their lack of foresight. They could not realize how badly they needed it in the evening. Young ladies and gentlemen, do not sell your hammock in the morning. Mark this point and realize what civilization has done. Too many people claim too much for heredity, but is not the chief feature. Get rid of the idea that you inherit all bad things. Don't blame the old folks for what you are. Men don't have marks like beasts, they overcome these brands and rise higher in the scale of civilization. You can pick up Lincoln and see how he arose from his early conditions to be a master of civilization.

We all have but one heredity, and that is that we are all the sons of God. Morally we can do what we will, and all alike are responsible for what we are."

Professor Smith has a magnetic personality, and his excellent delivery, which showed his fullness of the subject was inspiring to all.



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