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**Editorial Remarks**

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ing semester to all present subscribers.

The Daily Nebraskan, the official organ of the Nebraska state university, has had considerable to say in condemnation of the World-Herald, because of its position on the Rockefeller proposition. Some of the things The Daily Nebraskan has said have been uncomplimentary to this newspaper.

The World-Herald has no disposition to engage with the university's official organ in a contest where epithets and irrelevant accusations play conspicuous part. It is plain to be seen that the editors of the Daily Nebraskan do not understand the principle upon which the World-Herald bases its opposition to the Rockefeller offering. All the mean things that that publication has said of the World-Herald are freely forgiven; but, if the Daily Nebraskan desires to play a material part in this controversy it would do well to address itself to an explanation of "the great Nebraska mystery."

Let the official organ of the state university explain how it happened that Chancellor Andrews secured from the legislature an \$8,000 appropriation, leaving the members of the legislature under the impression that the property to be purchased was to be used in enlarging the university campus. Also let it be explained how it happened that the chancellor persuaded the legislature to appropriate \$8,000 for the purchase of property which several months before the legislature met had been secretly bought for \$5,000.

If the university's official organ will make this explanation the World-Herald will be glad to present the same to its readers.—Omaha World-Herald.

Thanking the World-Herald for defining for us a plan of campaign and establishing the lines along which it must be conducted, we must express our regret at being responsible for the injured tone manifested in the above. It apparently has some new plan of campaign that it would like to use against us, as it says that it has no disposition to engage with the university's official organ in a contest where epithets and irrelevant accusations play a conspicuous part. This in itself seems surprising, but hardly does it declare its desire for a change, when its old falling crops out and it refers to "the great Nebraska mystery." What is this but an epithet? Is this stating the proposition squarely? It is more suggestive of the title of a dime novel or of the lurid headlines of a yellow journal, than of an expression by the dignified editor of a metropolitan daily newspaper.

All the "mean" things we have said about the World-Herald are freely forgiven. This relieves us from a severe mental strain and an overwhelming sense of responsibility. Now we can come and go at our leisure and we can even sleep in peace. Upon the surface the magnanimity of the World-Herald seems great and it is kind in forgiving what it knows to be true, but we haven't asked its forgiveness. The

Idea of anyone suggesting that the World-Herald might have a few political designs to work out in connection with its position on the Rockefeller proposition is not agreeable to the editor of that paper, because he knows that it is true. He knows that Chancellor Andrews has refused to put himself under the control of the democratic political bosses, and his independent stand on political questions has not been to the liking of partisan papers that now seek to work him injury. And the respected editor knows that these considerations are responsible for his attitude on the Rockefeller proposition. These are not irrelevant accusations. They are the views of men who are as well onto the situation as the editor of the World-Herald. The World-Herald editor is mistaken when he says that we do not understand the principle upon which that paper bases its opposition to the Rockefeller "offering," for we do. It is so apparent that no one could fail to understand it.

The World-Herald endeavors to mix us up in its attempts to blacken the reputation of our chancellor, whom we all love and respect too highly to be disturbed for a moment in our faith to seek material for further slanderous exploitation. When Chancellor Andrews refused to answer the trick questions of the World-Herald reporter and ignored the insinuations that he brought forth, he did what was right and the University is with him in his stand. We deem the chancellor's refusal to answer questions that were asked with the mere desire of involving him in difficulty as proper, as the best way to deal with accusations of such a malicious spirit is to ignore them completely. Here at our University we all have the greatest confidence in Chancellor Andrews' moral integrity and we deprecate the infamous methods employed by the World-Herald in seeking to injure a man who has made our institution one of the greatest in the west, and built up our departments to such an extent that they only await the means to expand to a higher and fuller development.

But why does the World-Herald demand that we answer the question that it propounds? We are not the official organ of the State University as it alleges. Our paper is run by students, and its field covers the University and the alumni. We have committed no fault that we are bound to answer for, and there is nothing in connection with the policy of this paper that calls for the explanation that the World-Herald asks. Let the World-Herald seek its explanations from those who are immediately concerned; only before so doing we would advise it to show a willingness to state the facts as given. Chancellor Andrews is responsible to the people of the state alone, and not to the World-Herald, and he does not need an apologist to set himself right in the eyes of a publication that has willfully and grossly misrepresented him.

The campaign of the World-Herald against the Rockefeller gift has been one of abuse and appeal to prejudice. It has succeeded in stirring up those of its own persuasion, but has accomplished little beyond that. What we have said has been the truth and the World-Herald has not sought to refute it, but pretends to feel abused. The above is suggestive of the hypocrite, who will shed tears of penitence at one moment and be up to all sorts of deviltry the next. Whatever epithets we have used have been well earned. And if the World-Herald cares to take us up on anything we have said, we are willing that it should do so. We have as much right to insist upon its discussing the charges that we have brought as it has to lay down proposition and demand that we discuss it.

But if that paper is anxious for something to set before its readers, let it explain why it countenances the action of wealthy men who spend fortunes in gambling and betting on horse races and condemns the action of others who contribute to the cause of education. Let it explain why it does not oppose the acceptance of donations from Carnegie for the building of libraries when it does oppose the acceptance of contributions from another magnate for educational purposes. And let it make clear that the whole aim and object of its campaign has not unfolded itself into a bitter personal attack on Chancellor Andrews, and that it has not been more concerned in injuring him than in preventing the acceptance of the Rockefeller donation. Let the World-

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