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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1912

CONVOCATION SCHEDULED.

Mass Meeting of Old Grads and Loyal Nebraskans on Thursday Week.

During the next two weeks some very interesting and instructive lectures will be given at convocation, beginning Tuesday with President Nash of the Pacific Theological Seminary. His lecture will have to do with educational conditions in the United States. On the following Thursday Professor Lee will deliver an address on "The Electra of Euripides," preparing the way for the Greek plays to be staged by the Coburn Players during their engagement in Lincoln. On the day following Professor Lee's address the Coburn Players will give a talk on the drama, according to a custom they established when here in Lincoln on their first tour. Then follows the mass meeting on Thursday, a time card to every Cornhusker, the homecoming time of the old grads.

L. W. H.

OUR STAND ON POLITICS.

For the past week our bustling business manager has been pretty busy getting advertisements from the various candidates for office, and as a result the columns of the Nebraskan have to a certain extent represented a political billboard.

But while the business end of the paper has been indulging in this lucrative occupation the editorial department has maintained a discreet silence to the mortification, perhaps, of some persons who would have preferred that we declare ourselves one way or the other.

As to our attitude on the question of politics, and especially state politics, we can simply say that we do have

views on the subject, but do not feel it to be within the province of good policy to express them. The paper is in all essentials the mouthpiece of the student body, and the latter is a substantially non-partisan organization. It is reasonable to suppose, therefore, that if the paper was to take any stand politically it would have to run the gauntlet of criticism from those subscribers that did not agree with us. So if the function of the paper was not other than it is we would come out in the open on the question of candidates, regardless of consequences.

If we said anything about anybody we would have to cater to them all, and rather than do this we prefer to say nothing. To adopt the former course would be but to straddle, and we do not feel that the students would particularly endorse that kind of a program.

The field is full of good and bad candidates. The University's interests will be protected within the ranks of one party as well as within the ranks of the other. It has grown under a variety of administrations, and as far as we can determine the institution is not an issue over which the various parties divide. If the University is to receive gifts from the Legislature it will not be on the ground of political expediency. It does not represent any agency in the political fabric of the state. It is not a lodging place for officeholders, and to all intents and purposes is independent of any political party or faction. For this reason the wisest policy for those interested in the welfare of the institution to follow is one of forbearance and not agitation. By assuming an attitude of silence on partisan questions, and by refusing to dwell on the personality of the candidates, they will best reflect the attitude of the University toward the political situation and in the end protect it from the injury of adverse criticism.

LAW HOP COMMITTEE NAMED.

Allison Makes Appointments of Men to Manage Dance.

Ned Allison, who was recently elected president of the freshman laws, has started the ball rolling for that organization by appointing a committee for the hop. The date of this dance has been scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 1912. The committee in charge is as follows: E. R. Carse, chairman, Blaine Ballah, master of ceremonies, M. C. Rohrbough, Ralph Scoville, J. S. Byrnes. M. V.

EXCURSION TO WEEPING WATER

Geology Class Leaves Nov. 2 for Weeping Water Trip.

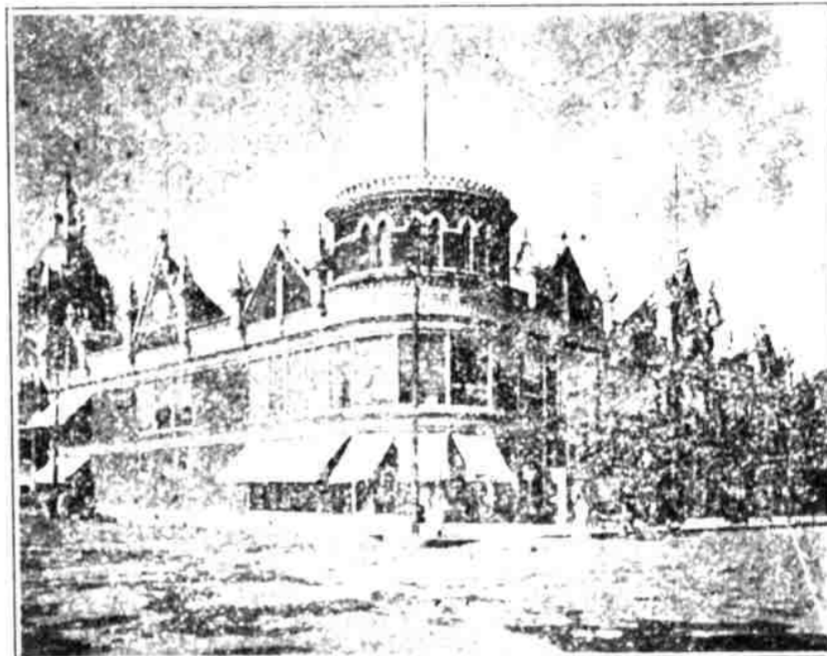
Mr. Shramm's field geology class will leave November 2 for Weeping Water. They will study the topography of the surrounding country and collect some of the fossils abounding in this region.

DR. H. J. LEHNHOFF

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Mr. Beckman will make an ideal Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings. In the primary election he carried every ward in the city of Lincoln and all but 3 precincts in the county. He had a plurality of 1,220 votes over his highest opponent. This is certainly a good showing, as there were six candidates for that office. Mr. Beckman also carried every adjoining county, Saunders, Cass, Otoe, Gage, Saline, and Seward.

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J. H. MOCKETT, JR

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