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## THE NEBRASKA COTILLION.

We wish that without involving ourselves in a discussion of the necessity or desirability of formal dancing we could adequately express to our readers our keen appreciation of the educative and aesthetic values of the coming Nebraska Cotillion. So hostile to our nature is tradition and formalism of all kinds, and so firmly fixed is our mental habit of destructive criticism, that we are really timorous of giving to this exceptional topic for an editorial the praise and encouragement it merits. Nevertheless this approaching climax of the social year, though at best only collateral to the main purpose for which we are here, deserves the patronage and support of every student and alumnus who is big enough and broad enough to appreciate the essential many-sidedness of the best student environment.

The junior-senior formal is now distinctive as one of the very few all-university events. Formerly the juniors held a promenade, and the seniors held a promenade. The union of the two dances into one yearly formal can not fail to strengthen the social ties that bind the two upper classes.

Furthermore, to this dance are admitted all members of every class in the university. Formerly, the upper class promenades were limited exclusively to juniors and seniors. It is significant of the growing democracy of the age that now for once in our history the attractiveness of so superb a display is shared by all.

To watch a cultured people amuse themselves is an education *per se*. In preparation for this great social event committees in charge have spent months of time and hundreds of dollars. They have restrained their pomp. They have polished their heraldry. They have subdued their splendor. And while they have not departed from the usual custom of providing for these hours of high and intense festivity appropriate decorations and adornments, yet, as admirers of civilized formalism will note, the effect of their splendid accoutrements is a simple, reserve and harmonious pageantry.

WE URGE ALL TO ATTEND THE NEBRASKA COTILLION.

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## LEADS A LIVELY LIFE

Professor Scipio Reports Is Threatened by War, Cholera and Earthquake at Constantinople.

In a letter to Professor Slaymaker, Professor L. A. Scipio, who last year resigned his work here to become head of the engineering department at Robert College, Constantinople, gives some interesting features of the war in Turkey.

War, cholera, and a recent earthquake have produced plenty of diversion at this college, but the college work has not been interfered with except in the matter of three new buildings which are being constructed. These have been delayed due to seizure of supplies by the Turks in the Aegean sea, as contraband of war. For several days all the faculty had their grips packed, ready to go on board the French steamship.

At one time the college was in danger from mutinous bands of soldiers but these were frightened away by blasting in a tunnel which is being built for the college. The Turks thought the college had enough dynamite to blow up the city of Constantinople.

## HARD FALLS THE PADDLE UPON THE NEOPHYTE MEEK

Many Greek Initiations Hold Sway in the Balmy Spring Season.

Be ye not disconsolate, fair ones, if some blooming youth, heedless of your warm greeting, rushes past with the speed of ye proverbial express train. Also, be ye not surprised if in the stillness of your gentle slumbers, you are rudely awakened by the cries of the wounded and assaulted.

For, verily, this is the season of ye Greek initiations. You innocent freshman with white straw hat and the Schopenhauer mug is not a victim of Professor Engberg, but is only accumulating the inner secrets of his brotherhood. This is the time of year that the shuddering neophytes are led captive to the various sorority houses and forced through their stunts for the edification of the fair sex, the season of tender feelings, and slighted work, for it is truly difficult to write a rhetoric theme on a sideboard.

Verily, let the Lord's mercy rest upon the Greeks to be—for they need it woefully.

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