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**FRATERNITIES AND SCHOLARSHIP.**

Despite the apparent inexpediency of abolishing fraternities, it must be conceded that the burden of justifying the existence of secret societies rests largely on them. Founded upon a friendship that is to a very large extent artificially induced the fraternity does not readily appeal to one's pure, unemotional intellect. Affording a species of social protection that is more desirable than necessary, it is scarcely to be wondered at that men who forget their emotions and sentiments insist that the secret society justify at every step its more or less undemocratic and uselessly exclusive existence. This burden of showing why they are here the fraternities of Nebraska sustain by constructively placing themselves in harmony with the letter and spirit of the institution.

The great increase in fraternity scholastic standing is to a very large extent due to a conscious, organized effort of the various local chapters to make their members work. Nearly every social organization maintains a chapter delinquency committee which cooperate as far as practicable with the University delinquency committee in getting the fraternity student to study. The labors of these committees are very extensive, and they have the further advantage of being able to exert on the torpid student a peculiarly efficient influence and pressure. If the fraternity, in addition to the many other positive advantages they confer, can also make a sluffing student work, we see no reason why the very rankest individualist should not find it at least possible to tolerate them.

**A CAREER?**

The girl stared hard at the boy, and pulled the gate shut with a little gesture of wrath. The boy stood on the other side of the gate and looked at the girl with an expression of dia-

bolical joy. For a minute there was silence, while the girl carefully pressed one plait of her blue sailor suit, but at last she raised her head and looked at the boy coldly, though half closed lids.

"Do you mean to insinuate," she demanded, "that I am jealous of her?"

The boy shrugged his shoulders, and was about to speak when the girl interrupted him.

"When I become jealous of her," she declared vehemently, "you'll know it. No real lady would roll her r's in that disgustingly vulgar way. It is positively foreign."

This feminine logic was too much for the boy's masculine conception, and the girl seeing her advantage, with the natural caution of womankind, hastily beat a retreat. She turned and marched up the walk with all the dignity and hauteur she could muster, leaving the discomfited boy standing disconsolately on the other side of the gate. She glanced cautiously over her shoulder at the enemy.

"What beasts men are," she thought furiously, "The idea of me being jealous of that girl. She may be temperamental, but I am much more attractive than she is."

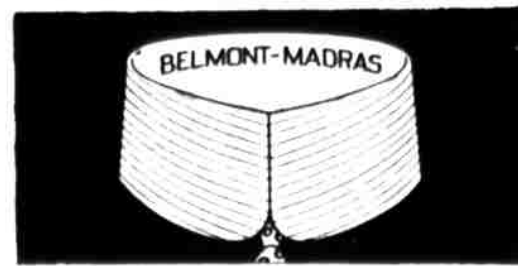
As the girl removed her hat, she gazed attentively at her own reflection in the mirror.

"My hair is not curly," she conceded regretfully, "but at least I have a most enviable figure, everybody says so. Men are such fools, and I for one do not intend to waste my talents upon a mere high school my talents upon a mere high school and I am going to plan it out right now."

After dinner, the girl sat down at the table with her books, and attacked her lessons with unusual vigor.

"The square of the hypotenuse," she began, half aloud, and then suddenly snatched her hand mirror and began studying her own countenance.

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