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## EDITORIAL.

Don't forget Charter Day and your good time.

It's a good thing to begin examinations with a mind free from care and cleared of the cobwebs which a semester's hard work will cause to gather in the nooks and crannies of the brain. Eli Perkin's lecture on Saturday evening is just the thing that will prepare you to surprise yourself and your professors. Eli is said to be the biggest liar alive except the circulation editor of——but, as Rudyard Kipling says, that's another story. You may get some valuable pointers on fallacies and effects of imagination. At any rate, if you go you'll be amused and at the same time help the Athletic Association. So don't stay away.

The projected interstate field day is a good idea. It will give added interest to a class of sports in which the University has heretofore done little or nothing. When we belonged to the state association we always had a regular "walk away" in nearly everything. Lack of competition caused lack of preparation. Consequently our University records for running and jumping are mostly ghastly jokes. If we can come in contact with the state universities of Iowa, Missouri and Kansas, we will find foemen more than worthy of our skill. In fact we are very apt not to be in it at first, as they have had more local rivalry than we. With our excellent material there is, however, no reason why we shouldn't come out on top in a short time. Let us hope for the best and go in to win if we go in at all. There seems to be a general tendency in the arrangement of courses to increase the number of hours of recitation necessary for graduation. In some courses over seventeen hours work per week are necessary for four years. In none is it much less. It seems to us that this is a bad thing. Every ambitious student wants to take a little more than barely enough to graduate. In consequence the majority of our regular stu-

dents carry eighteen hours or more. This leaves a very narrow margin of time for outside work and amusement. New-comers at the University of Nebraska almost invariably remark that we, as a whole, work too hard. This is decidedly unnatural. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." If we had fewer recitations and possibly a little harder ones, we think the effect would be beneficial. "I have no time" is the invariable excuse when new projects are suggested. This is largely the fault of the faculty.

## LOCAL.

All the literary societies are preparing to give new members' programs in the near future.

Prof. Caldwell will entertain the class in American history at his home on Thursday evening.

On Friday, February 2, the Unions will render an opening program in their finely decorated hall. The best musical talent will be employed, and arrangements are already completed for making this one of the star programs of the year. After the program a general reception will be held.

There will be a meeting of the board of editors of the Junior Annual in room 16 on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The work on the Annual is being pushed as rapidly as possible. This is a matter that concerns every student of the University, and all wishing to subscribe should do so at once, as only a limited edition will be issued.

The Misses Pfeiffer, Reynolds, Corbett and Gardner entertained a small company of their University friends at their pleasant parlors in the Salisbury block on last Saturday evening.

There will be reduced rates on all railroads from Lincoln beginning on Saturday after examinations.

There will be a business meeting of the Union Society in room 27 on next Friday evening immediately after the other society programs.

The most interesting event in the Delian Society promises to be a realization of the long anticipated taffy-pull. It has, however, required a persistent effort on the part of the political wire-pullers of the society to accomplish that wished-for end.

Ralph C. Saxton and Edwin Duff were initiated into Sigma Chi Saturday evening. After the ceremony a banquet was held, twenty-one Sigs being present.

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