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Outsiders never lose a chance to cast a remark at the ungodliness of the university. Not much attention is generally paid to these, but we wish the ministers, at least, would refrain from exaggeration in their sensational efforts from the pulpit. The university was the hot-bed of the civic federation last spring, and our students and professors made the hardest fight against the election of the present administration. From some of the ignorant remarks that have been given publicity lately, parents will begin to think that their children are on the road to destruction the minute they associate with university students.

It is very desirable that a large delegation of students attend the state oratorical contest. Our orator has labored earnestly and faithfully to do credit to himself and the university. And we in return should cheerfully encourage and allow nothing on our part to stand in the way of his best efforts. Further, the association needs our active co-operation. So long as we are a member, let us see that our duty is well performed. If the standard of oratory and the policy of the association need revising, there is certainly no excuse for not trying to attain those ends. A splendid opportunity is now afforded. These needed changes can be no better started than by turning out en masse to yell for our orator and the scarlet and cream. Let the special train to Crete carry a happy and enthusiastic body of students.

There are from twenty-five to fifty former cadets in the university who are possessed of a few relics of their drill days, in the shape of various articles of wearing apparel. Their only idea seems to be to get the good of these, regardless of appearances and the discredit they reflect upon the military department. They are out of the jurisdiction of the commandant, and they disport themselves unmolested in a buttonless drill blouse, flannel shirt and derby hat. They are not moved by criticism of their fellow students, and these few hard words will probably not affect them. You can see them about the campus and on the streets. Their appearance attracts so much attention that there seems to be more of them than there really are. These cadets may not know it, but they cast a disagreeable reflection upon the military department. When outsiders see them, they must think we have a great battalion. If these drill suits must be worn, at least wear them as they should be worn. Some of these fellows should know how ridiculous they look in a derby hat and a military blouse. Out of respect for the rest of the cadets and the military department, we hope the prevalence of this practice will diminish.

The organization of political clubs shows that the students are taking a lively interest in the coming campaign. These clubs may be a power for good or for evil. If the political questions are studied from a non-partisan standpoint, much good may come of them. But if a student goes into one and blindly accepts what his party leaders dictate, then he had much better stay out. There is ample time to become partisans after leaving school. No one is prepared to join a political party today until he has thoroughly studied its principles and their economic import. It is safe to say there are well-known students in the different clubs who are likely to take one side or the other on the silver and other questions, not as the result of independent research, but

because their party is one side or the other. Indeed, this tendency is quite apparent.

If politico-economic questions are ever studied calmly and without prejudice it must be now. Plenty of material is within ready command. Discretion requires a careful and impartial study. There are many who are deprived of such a chance and are looking to the college-trained man for an example of the typical citizen. Let them not be disappointed.

It is evident from a talk that was given by one of the professors to his class the other morning that there is need of a higher moral tone in the university. When things can be done within the walls of the institution that are regarded as gross wrongs if indulged in outside, there is certainly something wrong. This is especially true when such acts are not only frequent, but when done they receive the sanction of the students. Any student that will allow his work to be used by anybody else for the purpose of making the professor think that he is doing satisfactory work in his classes, is not only sanctioning a wrong of another person, but he is committing a wrong himself. He is not alone injuring the person he aids in defrauding the professor, but he does the professor an injustice in aiding in deceiving him. Moreover, he is warping his own morals, for if he feels at first that this is not exactly right, he soon begins to think of it more lightly, and after awhile he considers it no wrong at all.

Anyone in the university that cannot stand on his own feet in his work, should not be in the institution. What are we attending the university for? Is it not for the purpose of developing good citizenship? A man with an intellect and no morals is often more destructive to the state than a man without much intelligence, and yet, moral. It is pleasing to see the university reaching a higher plain in college work, but is it not equally as important that the morals should be raised? Anybody that tries to go through the university on the work of another student, should be banished in the natural way. He should at once find out that the university of Nebraska is no place for manoeuvres of that kind, but that we are a band of instructors and students all working together for a common cause, that of developing good citizenship, which is only obtained by binding high morals with intelligence.

**THE HONOR SYSTEM AT YALE.**  
Prof.: "Gentlemen, instead of the ordinary recitation this morning I will substitute a written examination. (Great excitement; two men near the door cut during the disturbance.) I am a great believer in the honor system, so I will not exercise any supervision over you. However, for convenience, I will have you sit two seats apart. Although I have implicit confidence in your honor, I will divide the class into two divisions and give each alternate row a different question. You will please bring your notebooks to my desk and leave them there, lest they get in your way and interfere with your writing. While the examination goes on I will stroll around the room, not for purposes of supervision, but simply to benefit my liver. The examination will now begin.—Yale Record.

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Second American—They say that the Doodells next door have stolen the Noodells' coat of arms.

**Alarming News.**  
Western Storekeeper—I see by the papers that there is talk of dredging the Chicago river.  
Drummer—My gracious! I hope they won't begin till I get back east.

**One Little Favor.**  
She—No, it can never be. I do not love you enough to be your wife. But, before you go, I want to ask one favor.  
He (dejectedly)—Well, what?  
She—Please do not marry any one else.

**A Lay View.**  
Mrs. Bibbs—Mrs. Crape got the insurance on her husband's life within a week after his death.  
Mrs. Dibbs—Well, well! That's most extraordinary. They couldn't find any excuse for not paying it, I suppose.—New York Weekly.

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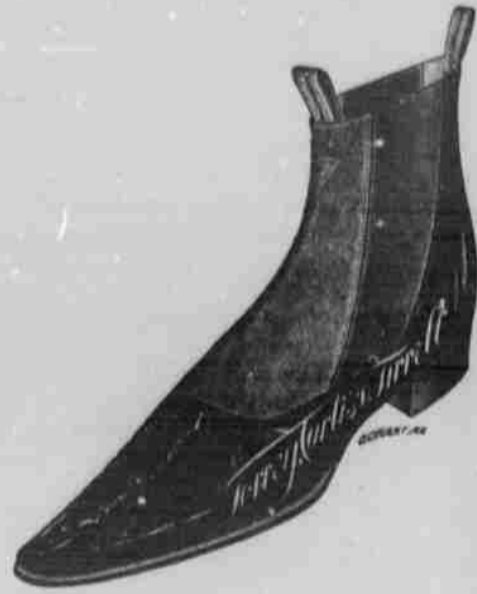
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