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The Nickle Scheme.

How many problems in life are as easy as "rolling off from a log" when we know how to tackle them! Here we have been worrying and planning as to how the student body, as a whole, could be made to feel an interest in the College Settlement. Now Dr. Sherman comes and proposes a plan which is simplicity itself and which is sure to be successful if the students see its full meaning. It is a "Nickle Scheme." No more and no less than that each student should give just five cents to this noble work. Could we think of anything more simple—more easily done than this?

The one difficulty that has overshadowed all others since this work began, has been that the student body as a whole has not come in touch with it. Now we all know that no one will be very much in touch with any enterprise unless he is personally interested in it. Every student in the university will not go

down and take part in the College Settlement work, so the question has been how to bring the work to the students. The plan suggested seems to be a most happy one in this respect. We do not think that there is a student in the university who would not give this small sum to so noble a work. Every person who puts even this small amount into the work, will if he gives it in the right spirit, feel interested. And if people are interested there will be no question about the reflex action.

A great many people have a queer conception of anything that is labeled "charity." They think of it in general in a sort of a "sack of flour" or "old suit of clothes" way. Now this idea is, if rightly fostered, a good one so far as it goes. But here is an opportunity for us to take a hand in a work not alone to feed the hungry body, but also the hungry mind. We have the privilege of taking part in one of the grandest works that humanity knows—that of raising our fellow men to a higher plane morally, intellectually and spiritually. All hail the "nickle scheme" and let every organization in school as well as every individual bring this matter into prominence and action.

While the HESPERIAN regrets that the Maxwell club was unable to settle its own difficulties, it is ready to commend the Chancellor for his timely request that the meetings of the club be temporarily suspended. The affairs of the club had reached that point where neither faction would concede anything. Both factions demanded everything. There was no common ground where these extremists could meet. When the club reconvenes it is to be hoped that the judgment of the cooler heads will prevail. That the club will once more become an organization for forensic training; not a band for the purpose of testing "scrapping" ability.