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Comment on the junior prom is needless. It came as the crowning event to the exercises of the two days previous and was enjoyed by a representative portion of the student body. Nothing marred the pleasure and every one felt a regret when all was over. In the future we trust that we may have a junior week, as is the custom in the east. In this period of time every fraternity and society entertains, musical clubs combine for their annual concert, the sophomore cotillion is held and the climax is reached toward the end of the week with the junior ball. Here we could incorporate charter day events, and though it would constitute a program somewhat different in nature, still it would tend to build up a feeling for the alma mater that would draw grads back to the old halls at least once a year.

Representatives from all Nebraska crowded the auditorium to hear Ignace Paderewski, and not one there regretted having gone. It was a treat such as Lincoln has not had for years, and may not have for an equal length of time in the future. We print below an opinion recently expressed about the artist:

"He is a very modest virtuoso, as modest as Shakespeare and with as sane and wholesome a style. He has the simplicity rather than the eccentricity of genius. To be sure he wears his hair longer than men who do not play the piano are accustomed to wear it, but he forgets it himself, and the yellowest audience does not remember it after he begins to play. It is difficult to discover from his playing the composer or the composition he prefers. He plays each number as the composer himself might play it: with complete understanding of the feeling and the inspiration under which it was written. So catholic a sympathy, so universal an appreciation of beauty, can belong only to a cosmopolitan of the type of Shakespeare. Something in his pale, absent-minded, unself-conscious face recalls those types whom the old masters painted or modeled and called 'a man,' a title which baffles the story lovers and fascinates the painters and modelers of all times and of all nations. The golden tone, which with ten fingers jointed and muscled like other men's fingers, from a grand piano like

hundreds of other pianos, he yet drew from that piano is all the mystery of genius, more occult than the theatrical feats of the mahatmas and more indisputable."

A few days ago a news item in one of the city papers announced the organization of workmen under the caption of a cooks' and waiters' union. An investigation into the cause for the article shows that this movement in the direction of organized labor is an unusual one, since it is said that the avowed object is to prevent the employment of students, and especially those of the state university. Now, the organization of labor for the protection of the laborers against combinations of capital or for the advancement of those engaged is one consideration, but the organization of a body of men for the avowed purpose of driving a class of laborers from the market is another thing entirely. Apart from the principle involved, this particular "union" does not represent the steady and industrious workmen of these trades, but it is asserted by students interested that the foremost of the organizers belong to the lazy and dissolute portion. Some of them have been supplanted by students, who have been found as competent and more trustworthy. The intention is to force the proprietors of down-town eating houses to discharge all student employes and hire union men only. There are now several hundred students boarding in these places, and perhaps a hundred students altogether, who make a living by waiting upon the tables. A concerted action of these students, who pay many dollars into the tills of the city restaurant keepers, would counteract the effects of this movement. A demand that those who receive such a large patronage from the students should return a portion of their profits to them is no more than just.

COMMENT.

In case of doubt consult the Nebraskan-Hesperian, but don't fall through the glass in the book store door in appalling efforts to do so.

Our readers will kindly note that on account of the snow we refrain from making editorial comment upon the new oratorical league this week.

Were it possible for the present seniors to remember the appearance of the graduating class of '99 in caps and gowns, they might cautiously take a hint.

The young swain who mused musings at a fair damsel not of his acquaintance some time since has apparently lost his aspirations for the stage and retired for reflection.

Could the shade of P. T. Barnum but see the antics of a sophomore class meeting the body of that honored sire would undoubtedly turn wrong side up in its grave in frantic effort to once more start in the show business.

From indications it may be assumed that the librarian will soon seek to mix up with himself again and put another stop to the exclamations of happiness and ripples of laughter that may be heard continually in divers parts of the reading and stock rooms.

It might be a good thing for Paderewski if he would play his Steinway at a few foot ball games or class meetings. He would learn that there are things which make even more noise than a policeman's feet or the grating of an auditorium seat.

And now Mr. Eddy will be along to mix the sonorous notes of the new pipe organ with the echoing tones of Mr. Paderewski's piano and Mme. Scaldi's chirps, but until he can learn to spell his name Eyddel there seems to be little hope that he can hold his own.

FOREIGN FELLOWSHIPS.

The woman's educational association of Boston is desirous of encouraging the pursuit of advanced courses of study among women graduates of colleges, and since 1892 a committee of the association has raised money each year for foreign fellowships. The twenty fellowships already given attest the success of the experiment. For 1900-1901 the committee will give one fellowship of \$500. Applications for this fellowship will be received by Mrs. N. P. Hollowell, chairman of the committee. The testimonials of all applicants will be submitted for examination to a committee composed of the committee of the association of collegiate alumnae having a similar duty and two members appointed by the woman's educational association. The candidates must be graduates of the colleges recognized by the association of collegiate alumnae. It will be remembered that the University of Nebraska was honored by being admitted to this association last October. All applications for the year 1900-1901 must be received by March 1.

TO PLAY OMAHA.

The university basket ball team will go to Omaha next Thursday, where a game will be played with the Omaha Y. M. C. A. team on the evening of Washington's birthday. This will be the second game of the series and will be a good exhibition of swift, snappy basket ball, as both teams are getting in the best of condition. The Omaha team went home after their game here a week ago with the intention of getting even in the return game, and since that time has put in double the hours in practice. The university team will be handicapped in this game on account of the smaller floor and different style of baskets. This will make the teams very evenly matched and the game will be a swift one from start to finish. The Omaha aggregation brought along a number of enthusiastic rooters, who supported them in a loyal manner. The university team should have along at least a dozen strong-lunged rooters on the lines to join in with the old university men of Omaha and cheer our team on to victory.

EXPENSES AT YALE.

The Yale Alumni Weekly in a recent number gives a summary of the expenses of a student at Yale. This has been compiled from replies received from over 66 per cent of the graduates during the last ten years. The annual charge for tuition at Yale is \$155; the cost of rooms in the university buildings is about \$200 per year; board ranges from \$3.50 to \$8 per week, or about \$200 per year; the cost of books and stationery averages from \$35 to \$40; and clothing, traveling and incidental expenses amount to about \$200 more, making the cost of a year at Yale from \$850 to \$1,000.

In the two classes of '97 and '98 out of about four hundred men who reported, 68 per cent had spent less than \$1,000 annually. A comparison of the figures of the last ten years shows that the cost of a year at Yale has decreased about 30 per cent during the decade.

DR. SOLOMONS' SUCCESSOR.

Dr. T. L. Bolton was elected instructor in philosophy to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Solomons. Dr. Bolton is a graduate of the University of Michigan and has the degree of doctor of philosophy from Clark university. He was for a time professor of philosophy in the University of Washington, and has just returned from a couple of years' study in Germany. When elected he had just begun some special investigations in the laboratory of Clark university.

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