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COMPOSITORS are curious creatures. If it were possible, we would get along without them; but we cannot. We tried to say in our last issue, "It would now seem that it is possible for a man to graduate from the University and retain his religious convictions." The compositor made it "impossible" and, in spite of a correction in the proof, it so appeared in the paper. We hope that no wrong impression was created by the error.

ORATORY, and oratorical contests do not arouse any visible amount of enthusiasm in the University this fall. The time for the local contest, which should have been during this term, is not yet decided. Yet when a meeting was called for the purpose of deciding on a date, scarcely any one heeded the call. If the University of Nebraska does not wish to be the laughing-stock of our visitors next May, more interest and more energy must be shown in the local association, and more united action must be taken. We do not like to advertise the University in this manner, but the student-body can blame no one except themselves, if we do so, for they have the preventative in their own hands. Let them use it.

THE first preparatory is doomed, though its actual abolishment may not occur for some time. The first move was made by the faculty last week, as noted elsewhere. This is no doubt a proper step, and one which all have been accustomed to think of, in the future. However, bidding farewell to the pretty prep girl, precocity in knickerbockers, and the country boy just from district school, makes us consider. It will produce quite a revolution our social affairs, but it will tend to raise the average maturity of students, the general character of University work. Abolishment will be hard on preps and on some upper classmen who are fond of preps. Prepdom will however soon be superfluous, and it must go.