

umn, the committee on entertainment and also the officers of the interstate association were in favor of the ball, but the delegates to the interstate contest from the state university did not approve of the scheme and as near as could be learned the delegates from the other institutions of the state also disapproved of the ball. If any of our visitors will be disappointed we are sorry, but at the same time we believe that we have taken the proper course. The fact that there is to be no ball will probably not be so offensive to those who were in favor of it as a ball would be to those who conscientiously oppose dancing; and in view of this fact the university could not afford to disregard the protests of the sectarian schools of the state. Sectarian schools of the neighboring states will likely take that same stand as did the similar colleges of this state, and since there are more denominational schools by far than non-sectarian institutions, it is likely that we have acted in accordance with the wishes of a majority of our visitors in thus deciding this question. We learn, however, that those who favor the ball are not satisfied and intend to make a determined effort to reverse the decision at a meeting soon to be held.

J. B. F.

COMMUNICATION.

Students frequently say, when urged to finish up their work so as to take their grades, "It does not matter to me. I am not expecting to return." A few facts may encourage some one to leave nothing incomplete. A young lady who had been a special student for one year hesitated about taking her examinations in the spring term, but fortunately decided to do so; for in less than two years she applied for a complete record of all her work here and it helped her to a desirable position. Twice during the short vacation was the registrar called upon to give an account of the work done by men who had spent but a short time in school; one nine years ago, the other ten. The history of their short connections with the school was to decide important questions in a business connection, and the questions asked, in one case, were most searching, in regard to the reputation of the man while here, as well as his work.

Students come and go; professors give place to others from time to time; the reign of a chancellor may become a thing of the past even a score of times: but this school is a permanency, and the student who becomes connected with it and does not leave a complete record here which is creditable both in scholarship and reputation may have occasion to regret it in the future, either near or remote.

REGISTRAR.

THE INTER-STATE CONTEST.

As this is the last issue of THE HESPERIAN preceding the inter-state contest it is well that a statement should be made of what has been done.

The contest will be held in the opera house, corner Twelfth and O streets, in the evening of May 1, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp. The prices will probably be, down stairs, reserved 75 cents, general admission 50 cents; up stairs reserved 50 cents, general admission 25 cents. Although this matter has not been settled. Reserved seats will be on sale April 29 and 30 and May 1. Colleges wishing seats together in sections will notify the undersigned not later than April 29. They must write the exact number of seats they want as no attention will be paid to any request that is not a definite number. They will be expected to take every seat ordered beforehand. If special arrangements should be made in this matter the various colleges will be notified. The contest will be held Thursday evening, and the banquet Friday evening.

The day, Friday, will be spent in a visit to the Wesleyan and Christian universities and to the state buildings. It has been suggested to have a ball immediately after the banquet. All the denominational schools of the state have objected for reasons probably sufficient to them. If the visitors are to be kept here until Friday evening it will be necessary that the entertainment that evening be especially good. A banquet will hardly be sufficient entertainment for one evening. One thing is certain, the ball will be held in a different room and at a different time from the banquet. We have the unqualified approval of our plan from the executive committee of the inter-state association. One of the members of this committee is from the Ohio Wesleyan university, probably as Christian a school as Nebraska can boast. Moreover this contest is under the auspices of the Nebraska state university.

The contest edition of THE HESPERIAN will appear Friday morning, May 2. It will contain all the orations in full, the complete markings of the judges, report of convention and contest, with reports of all athletic proceedings.

H. C. PETERSON,

Chairman of Committee on Entertainment.

ALUMNI ALLUSIONS.

'89.—Rev. D. D. Forsyth was in Kearney last week.

'89.—Miss Myra E. Clark left her music pupils last week and visited Kearney.

'89.—Al. Pizey, better known as "Socrates," is Lincoln circulator of the Omaha *Bee*.

'85.—E. J. Churchill, attorney at law, of Cheyenne, Wyo., recently dropped in among us.

'85.—Recently Mr. Conway McMillan wrote a treatise on botany in the *American Naturalist*. Mr. McMillan has charge of the department of botany in the Wisconsin university.

STRAY PICK-UPS.

No school Arbor Day.

Artillery drill was resumed on the 5th inst.

Professor E. W. Hunt has gone to Toledo, Ohio.

Bulletin No 14 of the experiment station has just gone to press.

McClosky passed his marked milestone last week in Tecumseh.

Rev. Ludden of the English Lutheran church officiated in chapel April 8.

Miss Blanche Skidmore of Delaware, O., is attending the university.

C. B. F. Smith, formerly of '93, is a prospering farmer in Douglas county.

F. G. Jewett, a student here last year, is teaching in Kansas. He will return next year.

Peterson says that since nine o'clock April 10 there is no question about his right to vote.

Miss Ollie Conley from Buffalo, N. Y. has been visiting her friend Miss Nellie Faulkner.

W. E. Johnson, a former student has made himself famous by posing as a Nebraska liquor man.

Wednesday afternoon, April 9, the battalion was reviewed by Colonel Dudley and Lieutenant Griffith.