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women, is really one of the most commonplace everyday occurrences, indeed happens oftener than anything else in the world. But there are people to whom the ordinary and natural is the strangest and most *bizarre* thing that can happen. When a Bohemian of the Bohemians, an iconoclast of the iconoclasts, who has thrown just a little mud at society and received universal and everlasting ice in return, does the most conventional and respectable and domestic of all things, well, that person rather gets even with society and people who like to see fair play rejoice a little on the sly at it. If a rankling iconoclast wants to pain and surprise the upright and the correct, he should go straightway and do the conventional, do it more exactly and more elegantly than his censors, and then he may content himself with knowing that he has taken his vengeance and has rubbed it in. Its too bad that several people who have had little misunderstandings with that part of the town which sets the pace will insist on melodramatic and ridiculous actions that only hurt their case. One or two of them could do the correct so much better than the correct themselves could ever hope to do it, for the Lord did his part by them magnificently. Its too bad to waste resplendent charms for blind resentment and misdirected revenge. If you wish to get even with society, be correct. There is nothing so fatal to a throne as being more of a royalist than the king.

The July number of Nebraska *Congregational News*, a Lincoln publication which purports to represent the enlightened views of a cultured Christian community, makes some erroneous statements regarding state education which should be corrected. The article referred to is headed "Points and Pointers" and begins with the sweeping assertions that "The denominational schools of the state must be relied upon to preserve the true idea of a liberal education," a statement to which a great many objections may be offered. The next startling assertion reads "Where then shall Nebraska's boys and girls obtain preparation for the classical course? Clearly in the academies," and proceeds to argue that the high schools of the state do not and can not prepare students to enter the university since the first preparatory year is removed. The appeal is stirring, and its object so obvious that the whereabouts of its author can be definitely located as about twenty miles west of Lincoln. But facts are mightier even than eloquence and they are these. Eighteen high schools in the state admit students to the freshman year of the university, and fifty-four to the second preparatory year. The university catalogue published in July shows that 419 students were prepared in accredited high schools, 110 at other high schools, 417 at other public schools, 51 at private schools and only 277 at other academies and universities.

"It is well to remember that he that soweth not with me scattereth abroad. There is a subject with regard to which no man can profess to be neutral without practically taking a hostile attitude. That subject is Christianity. Is it as reasonable to talk about being neutral

on the subject of morality. One who is not in sympathy with the work of Jesus Christ is certainly hostile. Institutions are like men in this respect."

The most contemptible thing about this paragraph is that while it implies a great deal it wisely refrains from making definite statements. The incrimination is clearly that the state university, to which the article indirectly devotes itself, is "hostile to Jesus Christ." There is more than a name to Christianity. It does not signify that every man who cries "Lord, Lord" is one of the elect, and "Institutions are like men in this respect." A university may be a Christian institution without receiving its financial support from sabbath schools and struggling churches. The state university branches of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. are larger than those in any other colleges of the state. Every summer at least six missionaries have gone out from among the students to the western part of the state. Several university graduates have devoted their lives and talents to foreign missions among the decollete savages of Zulu and the wild Arabs of the Sahara. All throughout the school year twelve o'clock prayer meetings are held in vacant class rooms of the university which are largely attended. Last year credit was given for Bible study and a regular lecture course on Bible topics was conducted in the chapel. And all this is from choice, from conviction and belief. The university owes its existence to no denomination. Its instructors depend on the charity of no church. Religion is not made requisite for class and social standing like Latin and mathematics. A man may play on the football team even if he is not Methodist and he may win his oratorical honors without the preparation of conversion and baptism. He can even graduate without becoming a congregationalist.

Speaking of the comparative moral uprightness and honesty of purpose in secular and denominational schools recalls the peculiar policy practiced by the Wesleyan "University" some three years ago in excusing students from recitation to attend revival meetings. This was kept up for a period of several weeks. The question is, Is that honest education? Students go to the Wesleyan university to cover just so much ground in various branches of study. The Wesleyan university gives the word to its patrons to see that every industrious student masters just so much of the curriculum. But honor and religious zeal are things that have too seldom walked together in this world, and sectarian colleges do not seem to bring them much closer together.

The same issue of the *Congregational News* remarks apopos of Chancellor McLean that most of the college presidents are graduates of "our denominational schools." Naturally, unless they are beardless youths, for state institutions were practically unknown in this country fifty years ago. State education is the method of the future as sectarian education was the method of the past.

An authority which the *Congrega-*

*tional News* sometimes quotes and oftener misquotes remarks that a tree is known by its fruits. Our state institutions have them in every profession and at the top. There is Howard and Warner and Woods and Smith and McMillan and Frankforter and a dozen others. Now what good thing ever came out of Nazareth or Doane or Cotner?

Hear then the conclusion of the whole matter. There is one thing in the community that needs to be sat upon, and that is the *Congregational News*.

## SOCIAL GOSSIP

Miss Carrie Wasmer, of Grand Island, who spent last week in this city visiting friends, returned home Sunday evening.

Miss Ida Bonnell, of Chicago, spent Sunday in this city.

Miss Lila Alexander, of Omaha, who visited in this city for several days en route home from Hot Springs, the guest of Miss Sadie Burnham, returned home Monday.

Jared G. Smith, a graduate of the state university and formerly laboratory assistant in the university botanical department, has written a monograph on Experimental Grass Gardening which has caused very active discussion among botanists. Mr. Smith is now acting astrologist of the Department of Agriculture at Washington.

The personnel of the church choirs of Lincoln has changed somewhat during the summer. At the Presbyterian Miss Oakley and Miss Sewell with the C. W. Kettering and Dr. Eddy have sung. At the Congregational Miss Worley and Mr. C. Bruce Smith have sung on alternate Sundays. The Episcopal church and the Methodist church have a chorus choir. Miss Anderson who has been singing at the Baptist church has gone to her home in Chicago has left that church without a soprano.

Mr. Bruce Smith has a tenor voice of unusual sweetness. His method is mod-

ern, simple and direct as speaking. He had studied under good teachers and he had a voice and musical feeling to give him a start.

The marriage of Miss Rose Higgins to Mr. George Lawson Sheldon was solemnized at the bride's home in Roseville Ill., Wednesday Sept 4th. Both Miss Higgins and Mr. Sheldon were for several years students at the state university. Miss Higgins graduated in '94 and Mr. Sheldon in '92. Until their graduation their names always figured prominently in all university enterprises. Miss Higgins was one of the most popular and vivacious young ladies of her class and Mr. Sheldon was perhaps the most liked and likeable all around college man that the university ever sent out. He was an authority on all points in college politics and he was a mighty influence for fairness, justice and outright manly conduct. No man in the university ever did more than he to make the honorable thing the usual thing. Both Miss Higgins and Mr. Sheldon were well known in the city and THE COURIER is by no means alone in wishing for them every happiness. Miss Mariel Gere and Miss Cora Smith friends and classmates of the bride went to Roseville to be present at the wedding.

The State Federation of Women's Clubs which meets in Lincoln October 4 and 5 will be the guest of the City Federation which is composed of 18 clubs. The Board of Directors of the City Federation, last May, placed the matter of entertainment in the hands of a committee to be appointed by the president Mrs. A. W. Field, with power to act. This committee is Mrs. A. W. Field chairman *ex-officio*, Miss Phebe Elliott, Mrs. H. H. Wilson, Mrs. Prof. Hodgman, Mrs. G. L. Meisner, Mrs. Callan Thompson. These ladies are carefully maturing plans and are receiving enthusiastic assurances of hearty co-operation from all the club women of the city. This moving "as one woman" by such women is a prophecy that the city will be shown at its best to the representatives of Nebraska towns and cities when the beautiful October days arrive. Clubs are being notified to report to Mrs. M. D. Welch on all matters pertaining to entertainment of guests at the homes. As soon as the state program is received other committees will

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