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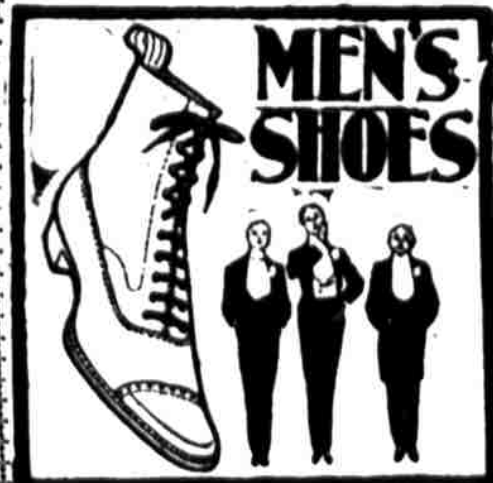
Editorial Remarks

SENIORS

The Nebraskan wishes to enter upon its Saturday list for next year the name of every Senior who is now leaving the University. For three or four years yet the news of U. of N. will be of great interest to you. It can be obtained in the Saturday paper for the exceedingly small price of 75c. The Nebraskan board, the editorial staff, and the business manager all urge you to see that your name is on the Saturday list before the end of this, or at least next, week. No payment in advance is wanted; you are asked now only to become a subscriber; you may make yourself a "paid subscriber" sometime during the next year. Respond liberally to this last call The Nebraskan will have upon your student loyalty and support.

The drawing near of the end of the semester relieves another Nebraskan staff from duty today. No more issues of the paper will appear until next fall. It has been customary to dispense with examination week publication, and the four less days this time are occasioned by the absence of the male contingent of the University at the Wahoo encampment.

For the encouragement and assistance rendered them during this semester the retiring staff is exceedingly grateful. The friendliness of the great majority of University people is chiefly responsible for the progress the paper has been enabled to make. A continuation of this spirit toward those who take up the work next year will en-



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able them to get out one of the best papers in University history. It is pleasant to close the year with feelings of gratitude rather than those of disappointment, and the now ex-staff wishes to make this final acknowledgment to all who have aided in making it possible.

Botanical Seminar.

The subject of the discussion at the meeting of the botanical seminar last week was the "Mutation Theory," proposed by Professor De Vries, a European botanist of considerable note. He holds that species arise suddenly as "mutations," and not by small changes, as held by Darwin, and has attempted to sustain his views by experiments in his garden. Miss Hensell gave a synopsis of this theory. She was followed by Mrs. Clements, who pointed out some of the difficulties in the theory; and last Dr. Clements came in with a sharp criticism of the whole matter. The result was that the audience felt that the theory was pretty well riddled at the hands of the seminar botanists.

At the meeting of the botanical seminar on Friday afternoon, Professor Bessey presented a memorial of the late Thomas A. Williams, B. Sc., '89, and A. M., '91, who, after graduation, became professor of botany in the South Dakota agricultural college, and later assistant agrostologist in the United States department of agriculture. He was the foremost student of the lichens in the United States. His collections of lichens and his lichenological library are deposited in the department of botany of the University of Nebraska. He died suddenly December 23, 1900. He was one of the charter members of the botanical seminar.

Last Friday, at the meeting of the botanical seminar, the following elections were announced: John L. Sheldon, to the rank of "Ordinarius"; Edith S. Clements and Esther P. Hensell to the rank of "Novitius"; Leonard L. Harter and George F. Miles to the rank of "Candidatus."

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