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A NEEDED CHANGE.

A great university should be the home of culture and refinement. It should lead the community not only in intellectual attainments and practical achievements, but also in the appreciation of beauty in all its forms. While it may be possible for an appreciation of beauty to exist among the most adverse physical conditions and under the greatest disadvantages, it hardly seems likely that a great university is adopting the means most calculated to develop this, when it places before the students things which are in no way beautiful and every campus visitor to remark on their ugliness.

The condition of the back half of our university campus has long been the cause of most uncomplimentary comments from campus visitors. When students returned from their summer vacation much of it resembled a miniature hayfield. Not only was the grass not cut, but no attempt whatever had been made to improve the appearance with flowers. While it might be excusable to have a part of the campus poorly kept if we had a large campus like many other universities have,

NEW LIBRARY SYSTEM

BETTER USE OF BOOKS IS NOW
MADE POSSIBLE.

PENALTY ATTACHED FOR DELAY

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vent Repetition.

Much of the bother formerly incident to the use of reserved books has been obviated this year by the introduction of a new system, whereby the librarian is assured that the reserves will not leave the library. The books specially dealing with a subject, and which the professors desired to have the students in their department use, were formerly selected and placed upon the reserve shelves in the reading room, where the students had free access to them.

Great difficulty was often experienced, however, owing to the small number of copies of each book, and the fact that all the members of a class would desire the same book, often on the same day. It was found impossible to learn the whereabouts of a book even though the reading room were vacant, and it was to get around this carrying away of the books that the new system was instituted.

Penalty for Delay.

It is now necessary to apply at the reserve window, receive the book and acknowledge its receipt, and return it within two hours, under a penalty of twenty-five cents for keeping it over the limit set. While the new system may be found inconvenient in case a long reference is to be worked up, it is intended to obviate the monopoly of two or three reserved books by one student, as was formerly possible.

A great improvement has been made in the stack room in that a new two-story steel stack has been erected in the front half of the room. Owing to the rapid growth of the library, it was found necessary to make more room, and this method was adopted as the most expeditious method of doing it.

May Enlarge Room.

Owing to the fact that the rest of the stack room will probably soon be enlarged in the same way, no permanent arrangement wherein the books would be shelved, in consecutive order according to class was possible.

Chancellor Day of Syracuse recently fell against a rail in a N. Y. C. R. R. trainshed and severely cut and bruised his face. When interviewed concerning his mishap the chancellor injected a bit of humor into the affair by saying: "I was simply illustrating the doctrines that I have preached for the last couple of years. It's folly to buck against the railroads."

Announcement has been made that Colorado University is the recipient of a \$75,000 gift from Senator Guggenheim. The donation will be used in the erection of one of the finest law buildings in the west.

At Kansas State Agricultural college with an enrollment of about 2,000 students, there are five men's literary societies and three women's. The limit for membership in all of these is 100 and most of the societies are full and have as many as twenty-five on the waiting list.

Tuesday night John Coons, one of the most respected students of Kansas Agricultural College was the victim of a shot fired by M. A. Creviston, an enraged murderer, who, besides shooting down Coons, wounded I. P. Immenschub without the slightest provocation. Coons and his three companions, Dwight Miller, I. P. Immenschub, and Eugene Swegman had been greeting the incoming students and were on their way home when the murder was committed.

The fall term opened with a rush for engineering students, especially for the mechanicals at Iowa State College, as new equipment has been installed during the summer and many new opportunities for testing can now be had by engineers of all branches. The engineering laboratory in old Engineering hall has received most of the new installments.

The I. S. C. "Student" of Ames, Ia., is trying a novel scheme of adding subscriptions. For a week a paper is to be published which is "what ought to be." The students will be expected to voice their approval of the improvement by taking subscriptions.

Yale.

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there can be but little excuse for such a state of affairs with a campus of only ten acres, thickly covered with buildings.

Not only is the campus not cared for as well as the average private yard, but the authorities have seen fit to erect various sheds in front of Mechanical Arts hall which are not only a sore to the eye, but a serious menace in case of fire. Taking the most lenient view of the situation it seems as though, if sheds must be built, that they might be placed in some corner where they would not wound the feelings of every student who wishes to feel that his university is as good as the best in the land. It seems incredible that the university can be so poverty stricken that it cannot afford the expense of one man's time to keep the grass cut.

In the East it is a custom for the different education centers to attempt to hold up before their students the highest aesthetic ideals as well as to train them so that they can earn their bread and butter. It is almost a universal rule that the campus is kept as beautiful as a park. When this is the case how can the University of Nebraska hope to take her place among the great educational institutions of the country when she cannot even present a campus that is well kept?

As it is now arranged, philology, medical and the congressive documents are placed on the second deck. Owing to the changes in the location of works on special subjects, many of the students are finding it difficult to readily locate the departments that have become familiar by a long use of the books shelved there.

QUESTION FOR ALBERT WATKINS.

Edward E. Gillespie Asks Reply From Bryan Supporter.

LINCOLN, Sept. 23.—"To the Editor of the Daily Nebraskan—A question I desire to ask Albert Watkins, postmaster at Lincoln under Grover Cleveland, is this: If the promulgator of an issue is the sole proprietor and owner of that issue, even if he is the first promulgator of the same and that being true, is he the best and only one qualified to carry out that issue?"

"EDWARD E. GILLESPIE, 1890,
and U. of N. CLUB, WASHINGTON, D. C.

As we go to press the secretary announces that registration shows an increase in students of eighteen per cent over the number this time last year. Fuller information will be given next week.—Colorado.

further increased by some fifteen candidates before the close of the week.

Because of the humidity, only signal practice, preceded by the long rudimentary drill, was ordered, but Head Coach said that on Wednesday the first scrimmage was to take place.

George Chadwick, captain in 1903, took charge of the half pack practice. He is the first graduate coach to look after a department of the active coaching. Dr. Hammond, half back in 1894, was also present. Trainer John Mack was unable to assist in the coaching because he sprained his ankle at the morning practice by stumbling over a stake.

Pennsylvania.

Just when the outlook had begun to take on a more roseate hue in football matters at the University of Pennsylvania, the announcement was made officially Tuesday afternoon by Head Coach Sol Metzger that Dexter Draper had finally decided that he would not come out for the team this fall.

Draper will remain in the university, but as it is his last year he wants to finish his medical course without any doubts about it. He had decided to play football, but despite the appeals of the coaches, he changed his mind.

The result is a blue lot of coaches and players at Pennsylvania.

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