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STUDENTS AND THEATERS.

The Daily Nebraskan has been criticised in a very mild manner lately for giving space to reviews and notes about the theaters. The write-ups of the Majestic and Lyric playhouses are the ones to which the most serious objections are made. The critics of the Nebraskan's theater policy protest against calling attention to playhouses at which they believe the bills are not always of the class that deserve the patronage of any pure minded person. They regard these places as being demoralizing to their patrons.

The Nebraskan can hardly agree with its critics that the theaters of Lincoln, especially the Majestic and Lyric, are such bad places as they are made out to be. There are, of course, objectionable features which get into the best regulated theatrical programs, and if the playhouses are to be supported a little that is loathsome to the great majority of people must be put up with.

The theater is an institution which, like our lives, can only be regulated and not destroyed. In our common course of the everyday work and pleasure there are some things met with that none of us like. Yet we have to accept them, pass them on

University Bulletin

December.

Thursday, 17—Convocation, "The Messiah."

Ames basket-ball. Informal dance. Friday, 18—Christmas vacation begins at 6 p. m.

January.

Monday, 4—Christmas vacation ends at 8 p. m.

Friday, 8—Junior hop at Fraternity Hall.

Saturday, 9—Sophomore hop at Lincoln Hotel.

Friday, 15—Non-Com Hop at Fraternity Hall.

Meeting of the Graduate Club.

Saturday, 16—Ames basketball game. Drake-Unl. basket-ball game. Informal dance.

Friday, 18—Minnesota-Nebraska basket-ball game. Informal dance.

Saturday, 19—Minnesota-Nebraska basket-ball game.

Friday, 22—Senior prom at Lincoln Hotel Annex.

Saturday, 23—Drake-Unl. basket-ball game.

Friday, 29—Sophomore Informal at Fraternity Hall.

Saturday, 30—Inter-Frat Indoor Meet in Memorial Hall.

Kansas-Unl. basket-ball game. Informal dance.

February.

Friday, 5—Junior Prom at Lincoln Hotel.

places. Now, it is simply a legitimate business proposition with this paper and until convincing proof has been given that Nebraskan's course is injuring the purity of anybody's thought the advertising will be continued.

There probably are some students whom the playhouses do not benefit, but they would go to those places even if the Nebraskan had no theatrical advertising. They are students who need the care of a father and mother and should never be allowed to move with the motley crowd of the university and city.

ROSS CRITIC OF LESLIE SHAW.

Former Nebraskan Declares Ex-Secretary is Selfish Man.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 16.—Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury who recently told the alumni of Dickinson college that teachers of sociology were either socialists or anarchists, was sharply rapped by Professor E. A. Ross, head of the depart-

THINGS ARE RUSHED

ENGINEERING BUILDING IS NOW A HIVE OF INDUSTRY.

ARCHITECTURAL EFFECT GOOD

All Men That Can Be Worked to Advantage Are Now on Job—Brick Work Completed About February First.

The busiest place upon the campus at the present time is the new engineering building. Every man who can work to advantage has been crowded upon the building in an effort to make the utmost possible use of the present fine weather. At least twenty masons and a corresponding large number of carpenters and their helpers are upon the work.

The building has now reached that stage where the architectural effect of the whole is beginning to be evident. The design was expected to give a massive effect and the heavy terra cotta arches which are now being thrown over the second story windows tend to give this effect. The color of the brick and terra cotta, which are being used, are in perfect harmony and will produce a building which will be an ornament to the campus.

Not Entirely Fireproof.

The new engineering building will be as nearly fireproof as any building on the campus, but the lack of money makes it impossible to make it completely so. The main floors will be steel, but the roof will be constructed of wood. The danger of fire will, however, be reduced to the minimum, as the wood will be covered on the outside by tile which are incombustible and will be protected on the inside by a cement floor in the attic. As this attic will not be used the fire risk is reduced to the minimum.

The only building on the campus which might be considered more nearly fireproof than this one, is the new museum. Here a steel roof was used but on the other hand the stairways are of wood; while in the engineering building they will be of steel. So far as practical safety is concerned no building on the campus more nearly reaches the ideal than the engineering building.

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and try to avoid their like in the future. So it is with the theater. It is one of the chief sources of entertainment for the American people, and it cannot well be obliterated just because there are a few things wrong with it. The best policy to pursue is to take steps to prevent the recurrence of anything that is objectionable to the average man, and let the public playhouse live.

In the case of Lincoln and the university the Nebraskan's critics would have the students deny their patronage to the Majestic and Lyric and attend only the Oliver shows. By this, though, they would not be improving the situation any, for some of the Oliver's plays have more degrading features than any of the Lyric or Majestic bills. No vaudeville stage offers anything more sensuous than the average comic opera. No jokes more vulgar than those heard at the Oliver are uttered on any other Lincoln stage. The managers of the Lyric and Majestic never had the insulting audacity to place before the Lincoln public such a show as disgraced the boards of the Oliver less than two weeks ago.

If the Daily Nebraskan believed any harm could come from its advertising of the Majestic and Lyric it would be at once drop all mention of those

ment of sociology of Wisconsin university, tonight.

"I know of no sociologist in any of the American universities who is a socialist," declared the badger educator. "Sociologists are enlightened students who stand for some particular policy in the interest of the nation, such as education, sanitation or forest conservation. Socialists are those who believe that there should be no private ownership of income-producing property."

"Mr. Shaw, who is a keen business man, speaks from a selfish and commercial viewpoint. He scoffs at sociologists because they are preaching doctrines which are detrimental to both his pocketbook and private business interests. They are annoying him. Mr. Shaw seeks only business prosperity, while the sociologist seeks the welfare of the people and the nation. The normal man sees farther than money."

Professor E. A. Ross was head of the department of sociology of the University of Nebraska until the spring of 1906, when he accepted an offer from Wisconsin.

Wisconsin has bought eighty acres of land near the campus at a cost of \$20,000.

which is being used on the building is proving itself to be of great value in this work. It is doing the work of four or five men, while at the same time it mixes the mortar much more perfectly than it could be done by hand. The machine is rapidly finding favor with contractors having large buildings to construct, as it more than pays its cost.

The foreman in charge of the work estimates that it will be completed about the first of February. There will be no delay from lack of material and if the weather permits the work can be rapidly rushed to a conclusion. At this time of the year, however, it is always possible to have such weather that no work can be done, and in case this is true this year it is likely to take much longer to complete the work than is now estimated. Even on the coldest days that we have had thus far, the masons have been able to work while the sun was shining during the middle of the day.

The Famous "Peek-a-Boo."

The dean of women at Stanford has put "peek-a-boo" waists under the ban. The "peek-a-boo" seems to have fallen into disfavor since its failure to demoralize the Jayhawkers against Nebraska.—Missouri Independent.

Harvard has purchased an eight oared shell.