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Snobbery is the pride of those who are not sure of their position.—Berton Braley.

Going hunting Christmas day?

Harold Prince declares our editorial on four-flushing never touched him. Heavens! We wish we could write better.

Petty thieving around the University will soon come to an abrupt end. We had expected to publish this morning the names of at least three students who are known to have sticky fingers, but we understand the authorities want a little more evidence. The University must be cleaned of these morally weak individuals who can't keep their hands off other people's things.

CHRISTMAS

The Daily Nebraskan wishes its readers a happy Christmas. Enjoy yourselves, get acquainted with the folks, and come back fresh and eager for solid work.

We read last night the following paragraph from Van Dyke, which expresses in excellent language the ideal Christmas spirit:

"Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask whether you love them enough; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden for your kindly feelings with the gate open—are you willing to do these things for a day? Then you can keep Christmas."

THE FORUM

The Student Body of the University of Nebraska:

The world held up its hands in horror at the press reports of the wanton destruction of beautiful Louvain. Art wept at the loss of priceless treasures used to feed the flames of revenge of an invading army. Civilization stood aghast at the atrocious deeds committed in the Twentieth century. But did we but consider for a moment we should see that these are but the

progeny of war, reprisals dealt out by a hand guided by a mind unbalanced by a lust for slaughter and devastation, not restricted to one country alone, but practiced by all who participate in such a struggle. There are pages in the history of our own American wars too dark for the public eye to gaze upon. Such things can not be justified, but may be only partially excused by the spirit of war.

If we can not justify such deeds in time of war, how can we even allow acts of destruction and mutilation in our very midst in times of peace, when we are in the best position of any people in the world to appreciate peace today? We of the University of Nebraska have been particularly favored, and yet there are men, and women too, in our institution who, by their acts in moments of thoughtlessness, are lowering themselves and the remainder of the student body to the level of barbarous war. We have some beautiful buildings on our campus, and in the near future will have more. They are not beautiful because critics have judged them for their architecture and setting, but because of the men and women who have worked within their walls and have gone out into the world to beter their fellowmen by teaching and living the truths they learned here. One of these buildings is the Law building, the finest of its kind in the west, just a little over a year old, and yet its furniture and walls are marred by scars that are worse than those on the face of stricken Europe, because of their being absolutely without justification. In the large freshman auditorium, which is used by both arts and science and law students, there are literally hundreds of initials, names of men and women, fraternity and sorority letters, dates, figures, aimless scratches, marked there with fountain pens in blue, black and red ink, and in one or two instances the characters are cut deep in the wood of the desks. In two of the rooms used only by arts and science students the conditions are as bad. One chair in particular has a large gruesome face and the initials H. K. G. cut above it. Such conduct should be enough to bar the guilty ones from the University.

Fellow students, is this right? Is this a proper return to the taxpayers of the state for the eighty-five thousand dollars invested in that building? Is it a proper expression of our appreciation for the three hundred and fifty thousand dollars they are going to give us each year for the next six, to build more beautiful buildings on our campus? You organizations, whose letters are so horribly displayed there, are you proud to have those ugly scars go down in history as advertisements of the kind of men and women that you have sent to the institution that you should love? If not, see that they are removed and that no more are placed there. Every member of the student body and every organization as a larger unit should frown upon this thing until it is unheard of in our school. Every student should feel a personal interest in every building that would forbid such things. Every mark that is made there not only injures the individual, but it injures society. Last but not least, there is a law upon our statute book prohibiting just that thing, and every person who commits such an act is a law breaker. Help us to stamp this out.

J. LLOYD M'MASTER.

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It cost the state university \$438,415.96 to run from May 31 to November 30. This is shown in the report of Judge James Stuart Dales, secretary of the university, for the six months period just ended. Of this amount \$172,019.32 went for salaries in general activities, and \$31,236.04 for salaries in special activities.

THE LAST BANQUET

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modeled after the ancient Etruscan to the member of the team who should be chosen by a majority of those present as the most valuable player, Captain Halligan, Rutherford, Chamberlain, and in fact all the players in turn were named and voted down and the choice finally fell to Charley Sherman of the State Journal on account of his modest ways and reputation for telling the truth. Mr. Sherman gracefully accepted the gift, estimated its value at \$300 and then generously returned it to the donors with the request that it be used to alleviate the sufferings of the worthy poor.

Johnnie Westover finished the program by telling how he used to make Minneapolis look as if the Uhlans had been through. Several hospitals had to close up in the Gopher state after Mr. Westover received his degree owing to a lack of material, and life insurance rates on football men were reduced 60 per cent throughout the Missouri Valley on the day he graduated. Altogether the affair was a hilarious success and even those who were not permitted to speak felt that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

Notes From Foundry Work Department

The Advanced Foundry Work, M. E. 3a, has begun. The first heat will be taken off Friday. Castings for the courses in M. E. 4 and M. E. 5 will be made by this section.

The new steel cinder box made by the students in M. E. 3 for the Foundry adds very much to the improvement of the area-way.

W. H. Noelting, '12, of the Faultless Caster Co., Evansville, Indiana, was a campus visitor Wednesday.

UNI. NOTICES

Cornhusker Pictures.

All pictures having to do with the following events and activities should be handed in to the editorial office of the Cornhusker at once: Ivy day, Law barbecue, graduation exercises, track and cross-country teams, both of last spring and this fall; Senior sneak day, football, Olympics, High School Fete day, comics, and any snap shots portraying student life.

Cornhusker Pictures.

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