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EDITORIAL.

As you may have heard before, these are hard times. Everybody is hunting for a scheme to save a nickle or two. It seems a shame, therefore, that the students of the University should let an opportunity of saving, in the aggregate, some hundreds or thousands of dollars a year, pass. We pay for our books prices which are simply appalling. The book dealers of the town have us practically at their mercy and they certainly make the most of their opportunity. Some co-operative scheme of purchasing books would change all this. Many of our larger universities have made arrangements already. Several more are instituting them this year. Why should we be behind in the race? There is money in it for any enterprising student who will undertake it. The average expense for books and stationery is probably twenty dollars per year for each student. We do not think it is much of an exaggeration to say that one-fourth of this could be saved by co-operative purchasing. This for one thousand students would amount to five thousand dollars. If the manager only made 10 per cent of this saving he would be well paid. It may be objected that the regular dealers would cut their prices for a time to kill any such attempt. This is undoubtedly true, but it would not necessarily have such an effect. The students would certainly patronize the student enterprise. The dealers in town would not be willing to cut prices for any great length of time. The difficulty would be only in the beginning and should not deter us from the attempt.

It is to be hoped that the celebration of Charter Day will be an enthusiastic one on the part of the students. If anybody has a right to celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary it is the student-body. (Pardon the seeming but unintentional "weakly" attempt at a pun.) We are sometimes tempted to believe that the "student body" of the U. of N. is a pure myth.

The time is yet to come when the whole University turns out and works with a will for one object. Some small fraction of us get enthusiastic in one direction, but we don't all get enthusiastic at once or over the same thing. Let's do it this time and see what the result will be. The NEBRASKAN ventures the assertion that it will be so pleasant that we will all be glad to repeat the attempt.

While we are getting so many new doors wouldn't it be a good idea to put a double door in the library entrance? At least fifty people get their noses flattened every day on account of that narrow dark door. A bigger glass would be of some assistance.

The sixth annual recital of the Musical Department will occur on next Monday evening.

Student Guests.

High schools and academies accredited to the University will be asked to send three delegates from each senior class to the silver celebration. The Chancellor wishes these student guests to be entertained by the students of the University. The number will not exceed one hundred and fifty if every one comes. There certainly should be one hundred and fifty students who would be willing and glad to care each for one of these visitors.

The names of students who are willing to thus play their part in connection with the celebration should be left at the Chancellor's office at once.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

One likes "Friends," that bright hit from the pen of Edwin Milton Royle, because there is so much human nature in it—or rather, so much human nature of the sort we most admire. One touch of nature makes the whole world kin, and in the past there has been so little of it upon the stage. It will be seen here for a single performance at the Lansing this evening. The sale is large.

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