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EDITORIAL.

A number of our professors do not look with special favor upon college athletics. But fortunately they do not treasure a similar dislike toward other University affairs in which the students participate. Their enthusiasm for the success of the Annual is remarkable. One of the faculty in speaking to the business manager of that publication said: "While I am not much of a man for athletics, I want to see the Annual made a 'howling' success. Put me down for one."

The work offered by the English department in public speaking cannot be commended too highly. It is offering the students something practical, something that will be of great value to them in the every day life of the world. Some are inclined to look upon this work as a "snap," but we know from our own experience that it is not. There is as much hard conscientious work done in this line as in many departments of the University, and the benefits derived are incomparably greater. No student who ever hopes to be able to tell others what he knows, or thinks he knows, should fail to take a year's training in this class.

The Seniors have, we think, acted wisely in drawing the line as sharply as possible between the Academic and Industrial colleges and the College of Law. They have decided to ignore the members of the Law School in the matter of commencement invitations and class day exercises. A college education is something entirely different from a professional education. We might as well offer a six months' course in book keeping and call that a college education. The requirements for admission to the Law School and to the Preparatory department are the same. The law student need not be a college man, in fact he seldom is. They should have a separate commencement. The Senior who has spent one or two years in the Law School should not have the honor of graduating with the student who has earned his sheep-skin by four or six years of hard work. Either the requirements for admission to the Law School should be raised or the faculty should provide for separate days of graduation.

THE NEBRASKAN is glad to note the growing interest which is being manifested by both students and faculty in the system of joint debates. This is as it should be, and THE NEBRASKAN hails it as the presage of such a revival of the almost lost art of oratory as will convince the most confirmed and dyspeptic growler that there is plenty of oratory—and oratory in the true sense of the word—in the University, which has only been awaiting a fitting opportunity to manifest itself.

And for another and a weightier reason THE NEBRASKAN is rejoiced at this tendency. There is one thing, and that a most essential element of University greatness, in which we are, as yet, sadly lacking—and that is college spirit—partisanship first, last and all the time for the University of Nebraska. Anyone who has been among eastern colleges and Universities knows what college spirit is in these institutions, knows what it accomplishes for the school, how it strengthens and solidifies it, how it extends its fame and glory, how it unites students into one harmonious body working for one paramount object—the advancement of their own college.

Even an onlooker has felt his blood to thrill while witnessing the intense and unswerving college patriotism of eastern students. As to our own University, much remains to be accomplished in this direction. THE NEBRASKAN had hoped and believed that our Charter Day exercises would accomplish much—and they did. And yet we are confronted right now with such a spectacle as never could occur where there was true college spirit. Let us not disguise the facts. Let us look at them as they are. We see the best orator that has represented this University and this state for years entering the inter-state contest, not with an enthusiastic and united student body

behind him, encouraging and spurring him on to a victory which would be the common glory of the entire University, but with discordant and belligerent factions at his back, scratching and fighting like Kilkenny cats, with the "representative (?) college paper" striving in every way in its power, by despicable personal flings, by insult and abuse, to discourage that champion whose interest, regardless of personal feelings, should be the common interest of us all. This unfortunate state of affairs is due to a lack of college spirit. And THE NEBRASKAN believes that this system of joint debates is just what is needed to supply this want. There can be more genuine enthusiasm, more honest college patriotism worked up over an inter-collegiate joint debate than over a half dozen oratorical contests, and for this reason we welcome the joint debate.

THE NEBRASKAN, therefore, calls on all patriotic students to interest themselves in the joint discussion which is soon to be arranged for with Kansas, and which will be held early in the next school year. Let us see that good men are selected to represent us in that debate, and let us select those men, not on account of their University affiliations, but on account of their ability to do our institution honor in that tournament. And above all, let us do our fighting before the selections are made, not after.

In the meantime, let us all see that the return debate of the U. B. D. C. with Cotner University, to be held here on May 11th, is made a rousing success. Let us, as students, evolve out of our inner consciousness enough enthusiasm to show at that debate that we love the grand old University of Nebraska, and let us, each and every one, demonstrate that love and give all possible encouragement to our debaters. They will do their part; let us do ours.

In the March number of the *Nebraska Wesleyan* there appears certain remarks about the contest, which were evidently penned by the defeated orator, Mr. Shank. The following letter, however, signed by two of Wesleyan's representative men, shows the attitude of their college towards the State orator:

UNIVERSITY PLACE, NEB., April 9,
University of Nebraska,
Lincoln, Neb.:

We believe a word here will not be out of place with a view towards vindicating what may seem to be the sentiment of the Wesleyan with reference to our recent State contest.

In the March issue of our *Nebraska Wesleyan* there appears some interesting remarks on "oratory," "Louisiana state lottery," "the cost of judges," etc. As representatives of the Wesleyan University, we wish to disclaim these insinuations as representing in any sense the opinion or sentiment of the fair minded student body of our institution. The winning orator, Mr. McMullen, has fairly earned his place, and we recognize him as our representative and will support him as such.

Sincerely,
F. H. ESSERT,
F. R. HOLLENBACH.

Notice of Incorporation.

To Whom it may Concern:
Notice is hereby given of the incorporation, by filing of articles therefor in the Secretary of State's office, of the state of Nebraska, of an association to be known as "The Students' Co-operative Book Company of the University of Nebraska," the principal place of transacting the business of which is to be at Lincoln, in Lancaster county, Nebraska; and the general nature of such business will be to buy, sell and exchange text books, apparatus and general student material.

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