

LOCALS.

The Phi Delta Phi's had a sleighride Tuesday night.

Julius P. Sedgwick spent Sunday at his home in York.

E. F. King has gone to Chicago to heat the grand opera.

Henry Shannon is in the city visiting his university friends.

Dr. J. S. McNay, leading dentist, has moved to 1136 O street.

Another large case of crystals have been added to the museum.

A. J. Weaver spent Saturday and Sunday at his home at Falls City.

Chancey Nusz, a former university student, was in town this week.

Charles Mansfelde of Ashland visited the university this week.

It's an awful handy thing to be ambidextrous—ask George Bartlett.

Chancellor MacLean has been visiting classes during the last week.

The wife of Professor Caldwell has been very sick for the past week.

The Nebraskan will not be issued next week owing to the vacation recess.

The baseball club took their first outdoor practice on Monday afternoon.

Fraternalism are like bad, milky roads—millions are sunk in them every year.

Oscar Woods, a former university student, was at the university Tuesday.

"A mouse isn't at all like a conclusion, but a girl will jump at either."—Ex.

It is rumored that Bert Cosgrave expects to return next year and take "law."

The dramatic club has postponed its date at Eagle until the latter part of April.

Miss Selma Wiggenhorn of Ashland was the guest of Miss Jessie Jury this week.

The Deltan boys will give a special program two weeks from next Friday night.

The Union Literary society gave a new members' program last Friday evening.

Students in English four were very much surprised by an examination last Tuesday.

In the days before slates were invented people multiplied upon the earth.—Ex.

Charles True was initiated into the Phi Delta Theta fraternity on last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shedd of Ashland were in the city Saturday and Sunday visiting the boys.

There will be no drill Friday night, as many of the cadets want to attend the contest at Crete.

A question always in order in European history classes is "Got your paper finished?" "No."

Miss Jo Mansfelde, who is teaching in the Ashland high school visited her alma mater Monday.

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity will celebrate its first anniversary in a quiet way next week.

It has been decided that the weather will be too cold for a baseball game with Crete on Friday.

George Williams of Fairbury is visiting his brother, W. L., a student of the law school, this week.

Mr. Stein has a new wheel, but it has snowed every day since he got it, so he has not ridden it.

J. A. Barrett returned from a visit to his friends and relatives in Salt Lake City and Oregon.

Certain frat. men are observing Lent with a vengeance—they are refraining even from frat. "meets."

"Coeducation is the thief of time"—to verify this look about the library reading room any old time.

Charles Kuhlman will leave Friday for his home at Grand Island to look after his beet sugar land.

The many friends of Ralph Andrews will be pleased to learn that he is fast recovering from his serious illness, and

expects to be able to return to Lincoln soon.

If you contemplate having some photographs taken, get Hayden's prices first. Over 1206 O street.

The Southeastern Nebraska Educational association will meet at the university March 26, 27 and 28.

There was a rough house over in phys. lab, and the other day a number of the boys were badly docked.

Miss Grace Clough, a former university student, is visiting Kate Walker. She is on her way to Northwestern.

Several members of the English club have been asked to furnish a program for the Ladies Faculty club next week.

Art Weaver delivered a lecture before an audience at Shubert, Neb., Saturday night on "The Monroe Doctrine."

The English club meets Saturday evening with Miss Louise Pound, when the chancellor will address the members.

Miss Julia Wor has been appointed one of the judges on the high school oratorical contest at Ashland, Friday night.

Dr. Lees has his Greek (Plato class) at work on themes covering the whole of the classic period. Some grumbling has reached our ears.

Last Saturday evening Phi Delta Theta celebrated alumni day by a banquet at the Lincoln. The Delta Gamma remembered them with flowers.

Word has been received of the death of H. H. Hardy, who has been attending the Ann Arbor law school. He was formerly business manager of the Hesperian.

The P. B. D. C. has challenged the U. B. D. C. to a joint debate. The challenge was accepted and committees have been appointed to arrange the contest.

The English 4 class is rivalling the hygiene class in their facility for getting up a "rough house" on short notice. Maybe they are training for a canerush.

The ladies of the W. C. A. will give an entertainment in the chapel the Saturday before Easter. Mrs. Manning has charge of the elocutionary part of the program.

The department of horticulture and botany is crowded for library room. The office and amie room are often full and running over with students doing horticultural reading.

Professor Barbour is preparing to mount a huge skeleton in the museum—skeleton of the Titanotherium. The collecting of the material has been going on for several years.

William Reed Dunroy is busily engaged at Seward organizing a new fraternal insurance order. He writes that the "Rag" is the most welcome visitor he has had since he left the uni.

There seems to be a desire on the part of some of the professors to reform the "amen" corner at chapel exercise, judging from some of the lectures different classes have received on the subject.

The authorities of the Colorado Springs summer school are negotiating to secure some more of our professors this summer. Dr. Bessey will be there from the 13th of July until the middle of August.

Dr. Bessey and Professor Palmer of the university of Colorado have nearly completed the program for the natural science department of the national teachers' association, which will be held at Buffalo the second week in July.

Professor Bailey of Cornell university recently sent drawings of the original plants from which the blackberry and dewberry were derived to Professor Card. These species seem to have been badly confused and the drawings were sent to Professor Card for judgment.

The program for the summer school at the university is almost ready for the press. The school will open on the 8th of June and close on the 13th of July. The professors will give their services free this year. All the charges made will be \$1 for matriculation.

Professor Candy's Sunday school was entertained on Saturday evening by Miss Loggrev, assisted by Mrs. Brook, at their pleasant rooms in the Nebraska conservatory. The early part of the evening was agreeably spent in solving the mysteries of "A Floral Romance." The prizes having been awarded, light refreshments were served, after which Miss Hay favored the company with two piano solos and

all joined in singing songs. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Candy and son Bert, Mrs. Van Brunl, Misses Bassett, Carr, Gould, Hay and Smith, and Messrs. Boose, Burrows, Campbell, Corbin, Noyes and Zimmermann.

Misses Lillian Newbranch, Eva Rolofson and Etta Smoyer and Messrs. C. C. Hull, J. N. Shreve and J. P. Cameron of the Union society took in the dance at the asylum last Thursday night. In the wee small hours of the morning they enjoyed a ride back to the city in a large spring wagon.

Last Saturday evening the republican club elected the following officers: R. S. Baker, president; Spence, vice-president; E. T. Sullivan, secretary-treasurer; C. E. Matson, sergeant-at-arms. A. W. Martin was elected delegate to the republican college league, which meets in Chicago next August, while Jonas Sun was made delegate to the national league of republican clubs. McKinley was indorsed for president.

The men that have charge of the boiler house some times do business according to established rules regardless of the convenience of persons in the buildings. The steam was shut off from Nebraska hall the other evening at 6 o'clock and the people at work in the building were badly wrought up when the engineer refused to give them any more heat after school hours.

CONSTELLATIONS IN LITERATURE.

The old Greeks were star-gazers. They seem better to have loved the silver sway of Dian than the rule of Golden Phoebus. So through the long, soft nights they dreamed the meaning of the stars. And soon the Hellenic heavens were peopled with the starry figures of their dreams. Heroes of myth and legend were by the great Olympians stamped on high in eternal constellations—monuments nobler than human genius could devise. And in the stars was shown purpose—not altogether satisfactory to be sure, but still credible—and curiosity was in so far satisfied.

In the duller days of ours are certain grotesque imitators of the Greeks, who—in accord with their more subliminary sight—have turned their eyes from heaven to earth. With grosser imaginations unable to divine the writings of the gods, they have sought for constellations in the writings of men. They are the vast army of interpreters, moralists, of "readers-in-to," which ever accompanies decay of imagination. The race shows the wrinkles and angularity of middle age; it has lost the lissome grace of youth and with it poetry of soul, joy, of beauty. Nothing is left for us but "morality," from which beauty is evermore divorced. The stars cannot be understood until mapped and charted—with an "eternal purpose" printed underneath. Literature cannot exist for mere beauty's sake, which in the golden days men deemed truth's as well. In all must be purpose—purpose and moral, truth and ugliness.

Ye gods of Hellas, grant us one—but one more great liar! H. A.

THE WAYS OF THE FRESHMAN.

An injured freshman walked into the red ink department the other day. In his hand was a much-colored theme:

"I want to know what's the matter with that," pointing to a criticised sentence.

"Well, it might be improved."

"It might be improved! It's not wrong, then, only might be improved?"

"Yes."

"Do you mean to say that you mark sentences that have nothing the matter, but that they might be improved?"

"Why not?"

"You expect every sentence to be perfect? I didn't suppose students were expected to do perfect work"—sarcastically.

The instructor mildly hinted that that was the object of criticism and theme writing.

"I can't see that you have any right to mark mistakes that can't be proven such by the dictionary or grammar," returned the other. "Besides, it appears that you have given my theme more attention than some others. Is that so?"

The charge was acknowledged.

"And you call that just!" roared the freshman. "What right have you got to give more time to my theme than any other? Is it fair? Is it just?"

But the second gong sounded and the instructor fled.

Johnnie had a little lam,

It followed him from school,

'Twas one the teacher gave him

With his cruel birchen rule,

But Johnnie's lam was quite unlike

For Johnnie's lam, you see,

For Johnnie was lamb-basted

Across the teacher's knee.—Ex.

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