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With this issue the "Nebraskan" begins the college year. We have a cordial welcome for all students, new and old, and our best wishes for a successful and prosperous year are yours.

There are but few students who seem to appreciate the value of the chorus work which is under Miss Raymond. This sort of education is generally paid for, yet at this University it is given free and credit given for the work. There are many students who do not know the value of this work. They ought to investigate and become acquainted with the resources of this University.

It is to be regretted that in checking up library books so many books should be found missing. This is due mostly to carelessness of students in taking books from the building without permission, and failure to return borrowed books. It seems that the imposition of a slight fine would operate beneficially in preventing books from remaining out longer than a stipulated time. There is altogether too much freedom extended to student patrons of the library. Some more stringent rules ought to be formulated and enforced.

New students who are unacquainted with the business firms of Lincoln can be sure of dealing with reliable houses by making the acquaintance of the advertisers in the columns of The Nebraskan. While advertising columns as a rule are open to all who wish to pay the rate for space, yet in a college paper it is generally necessary for the manager to go after his advertising patronage. This permits of bringing to public notice a strictly reliable line of advertisers. These merchants have been as carefully selected this year as last. Students and professors will not lose in placing their patronage with them.

Williams college has established a precedent by restricting the student body in numbers. This has lately been followed by the University of California. President Jordan of the latter institution has placed authority in the hands of a student committee, to cull out all worthless and undeserving members, thus giving greater advantages to those who come for study. This is the first check on the great rush for numbers.

A number of prominent Nebraska educators have seen fit to drop their work of teaching and enter the University. This is a move in the right direction. They evidently feel the need of broadening out along university lines.

The interests of education in Nebraska will be greatly advanced by the large number of university graduates in the high schools of the state. Experience has shown that university graduates arouse students to higher ideals, and establish the desire on the part of the student, to continue his education.

The action of the corporation of Brown university in the President Andrews affair strikes a blow at academic freedom. The matter has been agitated by the newspapers and educational publications, and now, the consensus of opinion seems to uphold President Andrews in his resignation. The discussion has evidently helped the cause of higher education. Intellectual freedom on the part of the scholar has been affirmed, and the tendency to control education in the interests of political parties has received a decided check. Eastern college men will no doubt point to the removal, for political reasons, of the president and fourteen professors of the Kansas State Agricultural college, as an act of western barbarism—no doubt this is true—but the Brown university affair savors much of the same thing.

One of the troubles and pleasures of college life is the maintenance of a good football team. The pleasure is distinctly noticeable after a victory, while the trouble is apt to emphatically manifest itself all the days of the season unless it is properly handled at the beginning. A plan which is new to University of Nebraska students has been inaugurated this year. This is the selling of season tickets. Five games will be guaranteed, among them the Missouri and Kansas games. If 500 of these tickets can be sold not a word about finances need be raised during the whole season. One dollar and fifty cents will be the amount charged for admission

to five games. This plan of the management ought to be liberally patronized. There is no reason why this number of tickets cannot be sold in a University the size of ours. The proposition is the fairest one that could be made by the management. The worth of the money expended is more than guaranteed. The solicitors for purchasers of tickets ought not to be put off. Everyone who can possibly afford it should invest in a season ticket.

A PLEA FOR FOOTBALL.

There have been many pleas for football during the past few years both from the chapel platform and through the University press, but by none of these have I been so impressed of our need of a strong eleven and money to make extended trips, as by talking with some eastern university men this summer.

I wish to urge upon every student the intense importance to them of our having a good football team and sufficient money to enable it to go east as far as Chicago or Michigan.

The consideration of the extension of the name and fame of our institution by the eleven is usually reckoned of secondary importance, and doubtless is so, but I do not believe its importance is fully appreciated by the average student.

Many of the universities whose aims, scope, and facilities for training are scarcely better than ours, reckon their past by periods and decades instead of by years. By their age, their history, and their widely scattered and numerous alumni, these institutions become known to all educated people.

With us all is different. We have no history; our alumni number but a few thousand, and the question confronts us: How shall we force the people to recognize what we are and what we are doing?

That a dense ignorance exists regarding our rank on the part of those outside of the states immediately surrounding us, I have found to my sorrow. Lawyers, physicians, and business men—graduates of some of the best eastern universities—have expressed their surprise, almost incredulously, on being told that we had a graduate school of over fifteen hundred students. I firmly believe that to the average alumnus and undergraduate of the leading educational institutions of the east, the University of Nebraska is little more than a name.

That this is unfortunate, and that the recognition of our greatness by the people of the east and by college men generally, is extremely desirable, I believe indisputable. A Yale or Harvard man may go to almost any town or city in this country, and he will find there college men from his own or sister universities who are always most glad to take him by the hand, and to do all in their power to aid him, both in a social and business way. There are few of us who will not be placed in exactly such a position, and will not such a greeting be worth dollars and cents to us?

The solution to the problem presented, it seems to me, may be summed up in two words—athletic victories. There is no way by which we can force people to ask "What is the University of Nebraska?" more quickly and effectively than by victories on the athletic field.

If this be doubted, look at Cornell. One of the youngest of the eastern universities, she has, by her brilliant successes on gridiron, diamond and water, won her way until now she stands neck and neck with Harvard, Yale, and Princeton, with a student roll of over 3,000.

I firmly believe that a football victory over the University of Michigan would do more to advance the name of our institution than a half dozen books by professors on abstruse subjects.

It behooves every student then, to do his share for the advancement of athletics. We need enthusiasm, we need men, we need money, but the greatest of these is money. There is not a student but who can afford, merely as an investment, to give something to the team. With the good crops—you know—we should be able to give our men enough money to put them on a footing with other elevens. Hitherto it has been the custom to blow in the cash after the victories; this year let's blow in into the coffers of the team now, and use Nebraska wind for the celebration afterward.

DIRECTIONS FOR NEW STUDENTS.

The UNIVERSITY GROUNDS are enclosed within a quadrangle of boarding houses. They are happily situated where there is efficient sidewalk connections to all parts of the city.

The MAIN BUILDING is spread gracefully over the geometrical center of the campus. It may be easily recognized by incoming preps from the fact that it is painted the exact shade of a brindle cow. In the darkest corner of the main hall is the mail box. You won't get any mail there for the first week, but always lean your back up against it at chapel time to show you are used to college ways. Also situated in the building are the chapel and Culver's red lantern.

In the cellar is the Co-op. On entering, you will fall down the stair—don't try to walk down, it is impossible. After you get here Harry Oury will sell you a season ticket for \$1.50. This will admit you to two games of football and three of croquet.

The CHEM. LAB. has lost most of its

historic interest since Judge Cooley has severed his connection with it, but the building is still standing.

On the northeast corner of the campus is the CATTERY, run by Doctor Wolcott. A small wing of this building contains the departments of botany, physics and zoology. This cattery is a temporary lodging house for purloined cats. You can swipe your landlady's cat and if it is in good condition you will get a dime for it. If it isn't you will get five cents and it will be stuffed and exhibited in the museum as a mink. Many indigent students earn their way through college this way. This is merely thrown out as a suggestion.

The LIBRARY is on the southwest corner of the campus. The stairway is admirably built for scientific loafing. The reading room is used for studying and girls' fraternity meetings. Freshmen usually play tops and leap frog for the first month. In this case care must be taken not to get gay with the round gentleman with a plate glass front, who is "bouncer" for the establishment. It seems scarcely necessary to add that the contraction in the east angle of the library building is not a beer garden, however much it may resemble one. It is simply a collection of rare tropical plants, including the umbrella tree, the pine apple bush and the Anheuser bush.

The CON (sometimes called the conservatory) is situated somewhere across the street. The most popular mode of entrance is to climb over the porch. The door is only used in case of fire. Preps and freshmen are warned to keep away at night, because the club practices there.

The GYM is on the east side and is used for the purpose of giving young ladies' gymnasium exhibitions. It is lighted from the roof. The first floor windows are simply made use of by Ralph Haggard and his ladder brigade in case of necessity.

The GREEN HOUSE contains four geraniums, one petunia and Tabor Teele's private bath room.

Don Cameron's and Ed. Young's are not departments in the university, properly speaking, although they have come to be looked upon as such.

The equality of the bath was established last year through the efforts of R. S. Baker and O. William Meyer. Jack will give each freshman a yard of mosquito netting. This is called a towel and is an instance of Nebraska colloquialism. You must learn to turn on the water yourself. In case of doubt, wring the towel.

Brown university opened Wednesday and the time honored exercises at the chapel were conducted as usual by President Andrews. He did not make the slightest allusion to his resignation, nor to the affairs of the corporation, but everyone knew he had withdrawn his resignation and when he entered the building he received a tremendous ovation from the students.

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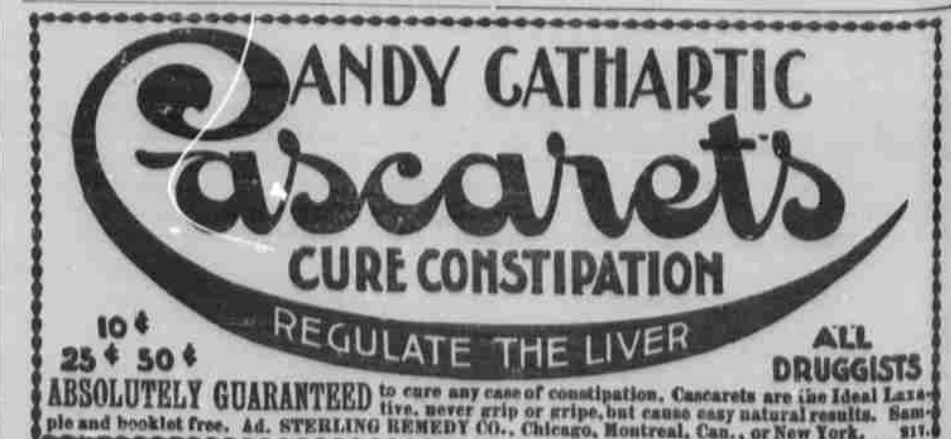
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