

Professor Lees has recently received applications from the high schools of North Platte, Bloomington, Broken Bow, and Loup City for examinations for admittance to the major course; and from Dorchester and North Bend for the minor course of the University.

The applications that are rolling in from different high schools of the state show that they are gradually raising their standard; and we hope the time is not far distant when every high school in the state will be able to admit their graduates into the Freshman class.

The U. of N. is taking great interest in the beet-sugar industry of Nebraska. About fifty samples of beets are received by the chemical department each week for analysis; while Professor Fulmer has analysed during the past year several of the different soils of the state.

The whole process: The innocent victim is noticed to wear good clothes; he is taught how to play tennis; he is fed at Brown's; he is allowed to sit in the same row in chapel with some of the *elite*; he rides the goat, and wears a piece of ribbon. Then behold the aesthetic Greek!

Two young men at Talmage, who are studying up botany to enter the Sophomore class next year, recently sent up their herbariums to Professor Bessey, who says that they have identified several plants better than some of his students have when working under the best of advantages.

First Prep in history class: "I don't see why we can't let the geography go, and just learn the facts concerning our work." Professor Caldwell calmly crossed his legs and replied: "I am afraid you will have to learn history as I teach it or we shall not get along very well together."

The faculty of Cotner University invited the faculty of the University of Nebraska to be present at the celebration of Cotner's first anniversary, October 7. The relations existing between the two institutions are very pleasant, President Dungan having been a regent of the State University for six years.

The prospects of the University battalion this fall are far better than ever before. Up to date there are sixty-one new recruits, while at the same time last year there were only forty. The whole number of men drilling now is 145, while at the same time last fall the registry showed only 130 men to be drilling.

The Athletic Association met Thursday evening, October 9, and elected the following officers: C. M. Skiles, president; A. M. Anderson, vice-president; J. A. Barkley, secretary; G. L. Sheldon, treasurer; Theophil Brugger, custodian. Two committees were also appointed to organize foot ball and base ball teams.

There are enrolled at the present time sixty one more students than in all last fall term. The aggregate of the Freshman and Sophomore classes is the same as in all last fall term. The Junior and Senior classes aggregate a few more, and of specials in college work there are sixty-four where there were forty-five last fall. The second year Latin School has increased nearly 50 per cent. and the first year nearly 30 per cent. About 160 books have been catalogued this week in the Greek department and enough in various other departments to make up 200.

When you want photographs call on the business manager of THE HESPERIAN and secure orders at special rates on any of the leading galleries of the city.

## EXCHANGE.

Of the *Pacific Pharos* we would say that punctuality and fairly good looks are about its only redeeming qualities.

We want to thank the *Athenaeum* for an excellent essay on Chaucer which may come handy some time when exams dot the firmament.

The *Lombard Review* appears to be as heavy and as solid as ever. For downright laboriousness in a literary way we commend the *Review*.

The *Washburn Reporter* and the *Argo* are having a tiff this year. Whether it be for money or life we know not. It looks like very little of either.

University of Michigan now sports a daily, not content with even a weekly. Perhaps, however, a little of the experience of Cornell in this line may render it satisfied. Nevertheless we admire enterprise.

The Baker *Index* presents in its first issue for this year the portrait and inaugural address of its newly elected president W. A. Quayle, the youngest of college presidents. Baker, it seems, is thus noted in one way at least.

"The literary societies are chiefly defunct here, and their future is a problem."—*Northwestern*. Will the *Northwestern* now please tell us plainly what has been the cause of their decease? A simple question for information.

Latest from the K. S. W.: There is but one weekly paper published here now and, Oh, that there were none! The *Courier* has a good circulation and a co-ed for an exchange editor. For these reasons it may possibly live a while longer.

The *Elite Journal* again shows forth none the worse for wear and tear so far as we can see. It is the better for it and we want to compliment it that it retreats in nothing in its principles. Move on, friend *Elite*, a paper with principles has a mission in the college world.

Our *Scholastic Dame* again is making its weekly visits as serene as ever, as regular as ever, and withal the same as ever. Big heads (used in the colloquial sense) seldom accept advice so we'll not tender any in this case. Suffice it to say that improvement is possible even in the *Scholastic*.

The Brookings, South Dakota, *Collegian* gives much space to a discussion of the capital question in that state. It is interesting reading whether it be strictly in the province of a college paper to print such matter or not. But what interests us most is, "Was there anything in it for the *Collegian*?"

The *Earlhamite* seems to have but little profited by the advice we conscientiously gave it last year as to how to conduct its paper in such a manner as would make it more of a live college paper. In literary merit it stands high, in true college spirit and brightness, low. We would suggest that it is never too late to mend.

The *Muhlenberg* makes its appearance as speckled outwardly as ever and with a new exchange editor who in his salutatory hopes that "you will pardon all criticisms that may seem harsh to you" and who then proceeds to write out two full columns of exchange and makes not a criticism, but some insipid commendations that certainly will never effect anybody, either negatively or positively. Such is life in the exchange column.

We take pleasure in noticing a new exchange that has come to our desk, the *Northwestern Journal of Education*, published in Lincoln. Of good size and of good matter it certainly has good prospects of success in its wide territory, the Northwest. It is a journal that should be of considerable