

## EXCHANGE.

It is with pleasure that we again have the privilege of extending to all our exchanges a hearty greeting. Just emerging from our summer vacation and entering upon the work of the year, it is like greeting one's classmates and companions to pick up the exchanges as they come in. Next to the desire to know what our friends have been doing during the summer is the desire to know what those that constitute our sister institutions have been busying themselves at. While at times, during the preceding year, we may have grown weary with the task of perusing so many papers, that feeling is not experienced now. At present all the papers that have reached us have a refreshing appearance. On looking inside we find that the institutions they represent have not been idle during the past vacation. Each institution seems to be characterizing itself by making improvements and entertaining great expectations for the educational success of the coming year. The outlook is certainly promising for a splendid advance in educational ideas and facilities. The college paper is a medium through which the improvements and methods of teaching that are in operation in an institution are made known to all other like institutions. As a method of advertising an institution of learning a college paper is a success. Those controlling these institutions recognize this fact and are interesting themselves in the success of the papers edited therein. As a result we hope and look for an improvement in college journalism in general. In regard to making improvements around the buildings and changes in general the University of Nebraska has not been at all backward during the summer months. THE HESPERIAN has already enumerated the changes that have taken place.

In a late issue of *The Aegis* the editor in speaking of the burning of their gymnasium says: "The poor old Gyn. that had been used as court room wherein the trembling freshman was soon to be a mass of debris." The meaning is certainly not very clear. Was it the freshman or the gymnasium that was to be a mass of debris?

We notice with pleasure *The Chehalis Bee* still among our exchanges. While this is not a college paper but a weekly newspaper edited at Chehalis, Wash., still we gladly welcome it as the product of the energy and enterprise of one of our university boys, Dan W. Bush. As an editor and general rustler Dan is a success. His paper is a credit to his ability and pluck. May success always attend your efforts Dan.

Quite a number of exchanges have already reached us showing that although it is yet early in the work of the term ye editors are on hand ready to advance the journalistic work of the year. Among our visitors we notice a number of new faces which we gladly welcome. Vol. I, No. 1, of the *S. U. J. Quill* is at hand. The State University of Iowa has quite an assortment of papers and we hope the advent of this new one will not take away anything from the quality of those already in existence there.

We copy the following from *The Ypsilantian* edited and published at Ypsilanti, Mich.:

Professor W. P. Bowen left Saturday for his new field of labor at Lincoln, Nebraska. Friday morning, after Mr. Bowen had said good-bye to the students, Mr. John F. Riemann, on behalf of the N. A. A. presented the retiring professor with a handsome ring in acknowledgment of his unwearied and effective efforts to establish and carry on the organization. Then Professor Bellows stepped forward, and in behalf of the school at large presented Professor Bowen with an elegant silver-mounted field-glass. Professor Bellows spoke of the admirable work done by Mr. Bowen while a student here, of his own joy when the student became a teacher in the school, of his affection and admiration for "his boy" who had won

the esteem and friendship of faculty and students alike, and bidding Professor Bowen godspeed to a broader field of usefulness in another commonwealth. Professor Barbour also in conducting devotional exercises referred touchingly to the loss which Professor Bowen's removal to the west will be to the normal. Few teachers of such positive character have been so universally and heartily liked and respected as has Professor Bowen, and the best wishes of the normal accompany him to his new home.

The *Palo Alto*, edited by the students of Leland Stanford Jr. University, appears on our table being Vol. I, No. 1. Thoughts of this university occupy a place at present in the minds of all the older students of the University of Nebraska as being the institution to which our late Professor Howard went. The *Palo Alto*, the journalistic representative of that institution, will be cordially welcomed here and we will be glad to add the paper to our exchange list. This first issue of the *Palo Alto* is taken up with the opening exercises of the university, the names of the members of the faculty, the trustees, general news in regard to the favorable auspices under which the university is now starting out, and a history of the institution. The outlook is certainly most favorable for the success of the university. An almost inexhaustible supply of money has enabled the institution to secure the most competent instructors. Although the university has just thrown its doors open to students, it enters upon its career well advertised, well known, and well managed. It begins its work of higher education with all the facilities and under the same conditions that an old and well established educational institution carries on its work. With 85,400 acres of land splendidly situated in regard to climate, picturesqueness, and general accessibility, together with other endowments amounting in all to over \$20,000,000, Leland Stanford Jr. university has certainly entered upon a career the end of which cannot be foretold.

In advancing and elevating the cause of higher education, this university will undoubtedly be a prime mover. The magnanimous work that Leland Stanford undertook and has so nearly completed will surely bring to him an enviable reputation as undertaking a work, the nobleness of which cannot be estimated. The *Palo Alto* says: "The man who departs from these noble corridors at the end of a successful course will carry with him an obligation he can never pay." The inauguration, by the *Palo Alto*, of a "fund for the erection, at some future date, of a memorial to the founders of the university" is a good plan. It shows the appreciation of the students for the great work Leland Stanford has done for them. He has erected for them a monument which, perhaps as long as time shall last, will attest his desire to benefit them.

It is no more than right that those receiving this benefit should make manifest their appreciation of it.

## ALUMNI AND FORMER STUDENTS.

The aim of the editor of this department is to conduct it in the way that will make it of the most interest to the alumni and former students. In order to do this it is necessary to have your hearty co-operation. It is our purpose to have one letter each issue from some one who was here in the days past. A letter that will fill a column is about the right length. As for the subject matter of a letter, the field is almost unlimited. Write about yourself and your surroundings, what you would be pleased to know about one of your old classmates. The students now in school also may be of great help to the editor by taking the trouble to give him any information about the old students. You may give the note to the editor or leave them in the school postoffice addressed to him. Any of the above information will be received with thanks by one who is in need of copy and busy besides.