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EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is gratifying to note the appointment of Professor Barbour to the position of acting state geologist. A geological survey of the state is desirable. The university, being at the head of the educational system of the state, should have charge of the survey. Professor Barbour is peculiarly fitted for the work before him. The university authorities should see to it that the next legislature creates the office of state geologist and provides for a state geological survey.

It is currently reported that the reception, given by the scientific club to Chancellor Snow of the Kansas University, was disturbed by unnecessary demonstrations of enthusiasm on the part of a few thoughtless persons. It was unfortunate and probably could not have been avoided. Too much *canis pie* may have produced an imaginary lit. A reception of this sort should be conducted with some little dignity. Enthusiasm is a grand thing to have. It is all right in the proper place, but should be used with discretion.

THERE seems to be considerable controversy in regard to the expediency of the university withdrawing from the state oratorical association. It has been a disputed question ever since the state association was formed. To be sure, the university orators have failed four times. Why have they failed? Because they were not prepared. Our orators have been too confident. The prevailing idea among them has been to write their orations after supper, to commit them before breakfast, to enter a contest in the evening and win the highest honors. They have failed. Let our orators rid themselves of this abominable idea. Prepare for future contests, and "stay with her boys".

WE desire to call attention to an article in another column concerning the junior class annual. It is not only too late; but, considering the enterprise of the managers, it is entirely unnecessary to offer advice and suggestions. Those in charge, evidently know what is necessary, for they are carrying on the work in a quiet and systematic manner. That they will make a success of it, there is no doubt. That is characteristic of the class. That they will receive the hearty support, financially and otherwise, of all the students, there is also no doubt. That is characteristic of the school.