

dalous insinuations, and the grossest misrepresentations are regarded as the proper thing. He who, in rival newspapers, reads the widely divergent accounts of the self-same happening, however simple it may be, in which a friend, an enemy, or a politician is involved, often wishes that the punishment inflicted on Ananias were at this day automatically inflicted for similar offenses.

Of late there has been considerable discussion as to the advisability of establishing schools of journalism. The plan is a good one; but we suggest that, in all such cases, a chair of ethics be endowed, and the embryo journalist be subjected to three years compulsory study in this department.

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Just at present the University halls seem to be filled with alumni. Most of those seen around here are teachers in public schools of the state. All are at present enjoying vacations of at least a week and possibly two. It is nice for the University, their alma mater, to be open to receive them and enable them to pass a few hours in the old halls where remembrances of past pleasant experiences continually dance before their imaginations. Then too, we, their former associates, are here to greet them and make their visit pleasant to them and profitable to us. Yes we are here to greet them, but—why are we not also taking a vacation of a week or more? Again we ask, why? There is no response. We are satisfied. There is no reason only "because" and that must be sufficient. We are to have five days vacation including Saturday and Sunday, but not any more. We are sorry for this because we think the students here have earned a full week's vacation at least. There is perhaps more sickness among students and professors at the present time than there has ever been before. We think the only sufficient cause of this fact is that everyone is working so hard that his system needs rest for it is not strong enough to withstand the many little diseases prevalent in Lincoln at the present time. Even though the semester plan has taken the

place of the old term plan, we see no reason why we should not be given our formerly allotted spring vacation.

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Would it not be a good plan to provide a place in the library for college exchanges? At present an exchange never finds its way to the library, nor to any other place accessible to ninety-five per cent of the students. The great majority of our students read no college papers except our own. Now these exchanges are the only means a great majority of us have of learning what is going on in the other educational institutions of the country. The exchange is a valuable educator; to see what others are doing in societies, in athletics, in oratory, and in class work very often takes the conceit out of us, very often gives us pardonable pride, and in all cases rouses us to greater endeavor, gives us a truer college spirit, puts us more in touch with college life in general. If some place is provided for them, THE HESPERIAN will be pleased to donate its exchanges. By all means, provide a place.

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Of late the papers have been commenting very freely upon the attitude of the courts toward the labor organizations of the country. Within the last month, from the federal courts in as many states, we have had three decisions, all tending to define and limit the power heretofore exercised by labor organizations. These decisions have been made in cases arising under the constitutional power given congress to regulate inter-state commerce. An injunction has issued to the heads of the labor organizations to prohibit them from ordering any of their men continuing in the employ of a railroad company to refuse to handle the freight of another company against which there is a strike. This ruling is eminently just. Labor organizations exert a great influence in all questions, whether political, social or economic. They are so perfectly organized as to be corporations in everything but name. They have enjoyed all the advantages with none of the corresponding disadvantages of corporations. They have invoked the law to aid them, but have always managed to escape when it was invoked against them. On the principle that he who seeks equity must do equity, these decisions are just.