

contract for a game there. I. A. C. does not play very good ball, and that fourteen inning game frightened them out. Let every one turn to and help the boys come out square. They amply deserve our most hearty support.

THE Chancellor's talk at the last chapel exercises of the year was characteristic of the man who has won the admiration and confidence of both students and faculty by his tireless and successful administration during the past four years. He still has the University at heart, and always will have. He was right in not saying good-bye, for we feel badly enough without that. Besides, how can we bid farewell to one whose works will ever be a reminder of his genial presence? The University and the state lose much; but, as the Chancellor said, we can do much to compensate the loss. Let us see to it that his most sanguine hopes are realized.

THE HESPERIAN has been obliged to comment upon some form or other of thievery in nearly every issue this year. We hoped that the last might be free from any such notice of the low tone of morals in the University. But a flagrant case of the most despicable kind of stealing was brought to our notice a few days ago, and we feel compelled to speak of it. We have often heard of books being stolen from the library. The spirit which could suggest to anyone the mutilation of some of the fine art books by tearing and cutting out some of the fine pictures, is rather original, to say the least. The person guilty of such an offense would, however, not receive credit for that style of originality. He or she has no place in this University or in any other, and if detected would be immediately expelled, probably to take a course in another state institution of less desirable nature.

Not only that, but he or she may be cer-

tain that all students, even those who think well of the "pony" system, will despise such a form of sneak-thievery and would punish by ostracizing the offender. The authorities will do well next year to hire a few regular policemen to guard the students' and the state's property.

THE Union Society gave a special program Friday evening, May 24th, presenting scenes from the works of Shakespeare. Mr. Wm. Reed Dunroy of South Omaha, while too replete with that instinctive delicacy and innate refinement to set foot within the rude and uncouth quarters of a barbarian wigwam, nevertheless took it upon himself to criticise the program in the next morning's *Journal*.

Mr. Dunroy, as stated, was not present at that program; he saw and heard nothing of what was there enacted. This fact, however, did not deter him from "criticising" the performance, and characterizing it as bad, "bum" and "rocky," with all the choicest terms of sarcasm known to his vocabulary.

The characters in one number there presented had been very carefully and conscientiously studied under Mrs. Manning, and the rehearsal had met with her sincere commendation. The whole program had been prepared with a great deal of hard work and earnest study. The representation, if applause be an index, met with the unanimous approval of the audience.

Had Mr. Dunroy been present, his right to criticise in any terms he saw fit would have been unquestioned. But he was not present. His criticism, reeking with ungentlemanly and ill-natured innuendo and sarcasm, was written without any knowledge whatsoever of the facts. The feelings of the young actors were hurt, and that without the least justification. The *Journal* containing the screed goes to their homes and is read and believed. Mr. Dunroy has done his work and may be proud of it.