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### Our Policy.

With this issue THE HESPERIAN enters upon its twenty-fifth year of existence. It has, like all other periodicals, had its ups and downs, but at all times it has found a place in the student body, and today it is an important factor in college life.

Our task is to carry on what has been commenced by others. For this in spite of all disadvantages, the new board will labor faithfully. It is our desire and shall be our policy, to publish a paper that will reflect credit upon the University. We shall endeavor to give a complete and exact account of University events, to record college news

in general, to voice the opinions of the students through the editorial columns and to carry out the purpose of the founders of the paper by making it a medium through which the literary work of the students may be brought before the public. In general, we shall try to mirror student life in the University; we admit that this is not perhaps the most lofty aim, but we think that if THE HESPERIAN ever comes to do this successfully it will be doing enough.

THE HESPERIAN stands for good government. It will be run independently. It will not be influenced or controlled by any "clique" or "faction" but will represent the whole student body. The present management urges all students to take a lively interest in the support of THE HESPERIAN and assist in maintaining a paper that is ever awake to your welfare and interest.

THE HESPERIAN cannot too strongly urge upon all students, old as well as new, who have not yet identified themselves with or against the literary societies, the prime importance of attending their programs, becoming acquainted with their membership, purposes and aims and studying their work and its result; and then, if after judging fairly and impartially you recognize the great benefit to be obtained from active membership in these great democratic literary and social institutions, to urge upon you an alliance, as soon as possible, with one of these societies.

Hon. H. H. Wilson, an alumnus of this University and one of the ablest and most successful of Nebraska attorneys, said last year, in an address to the students, that he had derived more genuine and lasting benefit from the training he received in his literary society while in school, than from any