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An effort is being made to have the regents furnish books to the students at cost. The state statutes provide that the regents should do this. Why shouldn't they?

The January Forum contains an article on inter-collegiate debating by Prof. Ringwalt of Columbia. He thinks inter-collegiate debating contests have come to stay. He urges as a reason, the fact that the student's experience as a debater, is practical, and will be useful to him in after life. Prof. Ringwalt is right.

Harvard is seriously considering the question of starting a college infirmary. The plan is to impose a \$5 tax on all members of the university. All would then be entitled to the best medical treatment without additional cost. The success of this experiment will be watched with eagerness by many, who are advocating the adoption of a similar plan here in our own university.

The coming semester will naturally be better than the one just past. The different departments have the experience of the first semester to work upon. They can take that which has proven beneficial and improve upon it while that which has proven to be unsuccessful can be dropped. Again the students have become better acquainted with each other, with their work, and can work to better advantage. The true university spirit is shown in the fact that so many departments are offering new courses in which students just entering may take up; thus allowing those who have been kept from school the first semester, to enter and pursue work to their own advantage. There are a few events that every student looks forward to with much delight. One of these is Charter Day, when the whole university is turned over to the inspection of the public. Another is the hope that the lectures in the Chancellor's course may be continued. There is still another phase that every student is or at least should be interested in, and that is the appropriation by the legislature. Every student should consider it his duty to give any and all the information he possesses with regard to the work and necessities of the institution.

Despite all these special events the student should not forget to endeavor to do better work, both in his study room and in his class room. Then, on the first day of June next, he will certainly feel that this has been one of the most profitable semesters in his college career.

The faculty is to be congratulated on the new system of examination. It is just what we have needed all these years and strange it has not been thought of before. It does away with the confusion of uniting divisions in large examination rooms, which has been so embarrassing heretofore. The new scheme besides having many favorable points makes a