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Editorial Notes.

Our Faculty, we are glad to notice, is in request for the lecture field. Prof. Grube lecturing on the 18th, before the Lincoln Y. M. C. A., Prof. Aughey at Falls City the 15th, and we hear Prof. Sherman is also to appear some time next term before a Lincoln audience.

It seems to be current opinion that Judge Savage will be offered the Chancellorship of the University by the Regents at their next meeting, but it is not at all certain that he will accept if it is. The gentleman is eminently well qualified for the position and the institution would be honored by his acceptance. Being already a Nebraska man and identified with the interests and development of the state, it is not probable that the choice of any other man, who has been mentioned in this connection, would be received with as much satisfaction.

THE University Regents met last Tuesday and being unable to find a quorum adjourned to the 10th of January. Regent Fifield is out of the state; Regent Gannett is dangerously ill at Omaha and Regent Powers is arranging his legal business in Dakota City preparatory to assuming his duties as Attorney General of the state. It is to be hoped that this adjournment does not mean a much longer postponement of the election of a Chancellor for the institution. While we are progressing finely for a being without a head we could do much better with one. The department of higher philosophy and the like should not be too

long either omitted or inflicted on other professors as extra work. If the present salary is insufficient to induce a good man to accept the position it would no doubt be increased by the coming legislature upon a proper showing.

The students who attend our University are marked for their conscientiousness in study, their respectful attention and obedience to those in authority over them and their willingness to experience self-denial and even hardship in order that they may reap the benefits of liberal education here, but they are deficient in one respect. More mutual geniality and politeness among us would cost nothing and pay well. This is no doubt a minor fault when compared with the good qualities that we have just mentioned, but nevertheless it is an unnecessary one and reflects upon us in the outside world. That a great many warm personal friendships exist among us is beyond dispute, but we do lack a general kindness and fellowship that it would take very little individually, to create and permanently establish. The STUDENT does not think that the deficiency named comes from anything more than a careless or self-occupied disregard of one-another's feelings. Too many of us are strangers. How many who read this will recognize the existence of this defect, and do what lies in their power to remedy it?

THE Holidays are fast approaching, and the average student looks forward to an enjoyable vacation, a little fun and a good rest. To nearly all of us, the winter recess is the most pleasant of the year. Too short to think of filling it with outside work, and plenty long enough to become rested from a long term's study, we can enter with zest into the gayeties incident to the season, and be freely and entirely happy. He is truly to be pitied who can pass through the Holidays without feeling the thrill of unfettered merriment and good nature that fills the very air of Christmas-time. This is the season when the world throws off its anxieties and disappointments, its selfishness and suspicion, and brightens up with a smile of gladness that renders mere existence a happiness and a touch of fellow feeling that makes life a luxury. So seldom does this disposition prevail in our pre-occupied and over-industrious country, that all of us can well afford the time to enjoy it to the full. The STUDENT claims that hard work is always better done after an occasional diversion, and that all thoughts of the study, lecture and recitation room should be dispensed with until we return next term, refreshed and invigorated.

We were just going to say a word about the habit of smoking which some of the students have formed, and remind them that it was the most selfish and dis-