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Editorial Notes.

It really seems a pity that time after time, the STUDENT has occasion to mention, in tones of pathetic appeal, the fact that the ceiling of the chapel is woefully out of repair. Before the slate roof was put on, and during the period of leaky tin, the case of the ceiling might have been a hopeless one; but with a waterproof roof the only excuse that can be urged for the further delay of its reparation is that of inertia on the part of the executive. Let us have a plastering-bee among the students and fix up the long-famous ceiling.

THE action taken by the students in politics this campaign is a movement which the students of our college have not before indulged in. While it is important that the student should be acquainted with the principal questions of the day, it is not necessary that he should take part in the political rabble. It is not the object of the student to become a thoroughbred politician. His time is too precious. He has too many important studies, which, if he neglects at college he will neglect for ever. To the literary societies should be given all the spare time he has, and by so doing he will be all the more fitted after leaving college to become a thorough politician. Let the student remember then that the University is not the place for politics, but for something far more important both to themselves and to the State.

POLITICS were up to the boiling point a few weeks ago, and the students with great enthusiasm organized a Blaine and Logan club, but the failure on the part of the county central committee to furnish uniforms has caused a marked degree of coolness among Blaine's most ardent admirers. However they think they can be of more tangible benefit at the polls next month, and will wait till that time to show their appreciation of the abilities of their great leader.

By the way, Nebraska University is becoming fairly represented at Johns Hopkins. Last year one man, Ed Rich, '83, had to support our dignity at that institution. He has handed down his mantle to three Nebraskites this year, G. G. Hitchcock of '83, and W. H. Lichty and G. W. Botsford of '84. It is self-evident that the intellectual thirst of our graduates is reaching greater proportions than formerly and hence we must expect more of them.

The position taken by some of our leading educational journals certainly is not commendable. There is a question as to whether such papers should dabble in politics. But when a paper that has claimed, and merited to a great extent the name of an authority, as has the Nation, comes out boldly for the democratic candidates, it looks as though it had fallen from grace, if it ever had attained to that point of excellence.

A man who satisfactorily completes a college curriculum is more of a man all his life for having done so. For proof of this we respectfully turn the doubter's attention to the register of graduates from our own institution in the last catalogue. It would be difficult to find more promising young men by selecting from any city in the country. Parents, send your sons to the State University. Boys, come and educate yourselves. Let the coming generation of business men be at all events, educated men.

It is a remarkable fact that some students consider it their exclusive duty to create disorder throughout the University. Like Bishop Hatto's rats, they overrun the whole building leaving 'craps of conversation floating everywhere. The chapel and library, however, are their favorite haunts and even under our present regime, there are still "indications of disorder in the rear of the chapel" and in the reading room. We would suggest an iron building heavily lined with tan-bark be built for their express benefit.

ON account of some theories of school government with respect to the qualifications essential for the position of Director of the Musical Conservatory of the University of Nebraska, we have no musical instructor this year, and the field is open to our competitor. Now it does seem too bad that a very select-