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Editorial Notes.

THE time will soon come when the students will go to their homes to spend their holidays. It is in their own town that they can do the best possible work for their University. By the personal influence of students more than by any other means can the University be filled with students as it should be. Let each student make himself a committee and a chairman too, to bring at least one new student to our school next term. Work for the University as you do for your society and success will crown your efforts.

"ALL's quiet upon the Potomac." The confusion of politics, public and collegiate, which but a few weeks ago was making life interesting to the average student, has ceased. Peace, between democrats and republicans, between faculty and students, between frats and antis, universal peace holds her mild sway over all things in our fair school. Everything is ready for our Christmas rejoicings. Each should go to their homes feeling that is his mission to keep the school in such conditions as it now enjoys while he remains in it; for thus only can it continue to grow and to win the good will and hearty support, financially and numerically, of the citizens of Nebraska.

COLD weather is at hand and the students shudder at the thought of attending chapel where the temper-

ture is almost freezing. Something certainly ought to be done in regard to this. Students go from the recitation rooms, some of which are fairly comfortable into the chapel and the result is that they catch cold. If nothing else can be done and if there is no hope for a better time coming it would certainly be well to suspend chapel exercises during the cold weather. We hope that this will be the last year that the students will be tortured by sitting in cold rooms.

- DAVID SWING accuses Caesar of making puns. We wonder if we have any Caesars now! If so may he find a Brutus before the beginning of next term. Nothing, we believe, is so disgusting among a lot of students as to see them straining their wits to get off some barbarous thing in the shape of a pun. Last spring the students, from Seniors to Preps, would watch every conversation as a hawk does a partridge for some word like "water" to disgrace with their low, vile wits. The STUDENT is glad to see that this is now almost a thing of the past and believes that the sooner the pun is forgotten the sooner will the students be relieved of a most injurious habit.

It is interesting to watch the rise and fall of the follies of a nation. Among us there is a regular course which all whims, good and bad, follow. They begin on the Atlantic border and follow the railroad lines west to the Pacific Ocean where they are usually submerged. Aestheticism, still lurking on the prairies in the aesthetic cow-boy's fringed hat, followed this course and now the skating rink is just half way. The East is becoming slightly wearied of the new-fangled notion and are returning to their old loves, the theater, ball and the good old fashioned ice-rinks. The south and west are crazed with the roller-fever. They use rink rollers and sidewalk rollers, and the habits of the rinks have that rolling gait that has here-to-fore characterized none but the sailor, or saloon bummer. Theatres and ball-rooms are depleted to fill the skating rink. Men, women and infants fill it night after night with rolls of all sorts. It may be a good thing, but like aestheticism and Sara Bernhardt, we don't want too much of it.

THE extent of the usefulness of the theme system is a problem agitating the student's mind at present. How much of the time to be devoted to any subject should be spent on special work is a question difficult to solve. In preparing a theme the student may give full scope to his originality and to a certain extent is engaged in individual research. His results are put into a permanent form and as condensations are useful to future students in the same line. Thus far the theme system is admirable. But when carried so