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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

To a student, a sound body is of no less importance than a sound mind. With this fact in view, it is difficult to see why shivering students are expected to spend these cold days in unheated buildings.

THE cardinal difference between the administration of the present and that of the past is that the students now receive such usage as gentlefolk may expect and claim. Here there is certainly no necessity for iron-clad discipline; and to us there is nothing more obnoxious than ostentation and parade of authority.

This term we have been asked to do certain things and not to do certain other things, and the requests have, in every case, met with the ready and cheerful approval of the listeners. We have claimed to be gentlefolk. If we are to substantiate this claim we are bound to accede to any reasonable request that is made in a courteous manner. So think the students, and so they act. It may be said that every request so far made, has more than satisfactorily met both these conditions.

With reference to the first battle of the class wars of the year:—The few sentences from faculty to students were models of reasons and courtesy. We are certain that the students failed to do their part only through the unavoidable absence from chapel of the Sophomore class, and their consequent failure to hear the words addressed to them. Class wars are the natural manifestation of a healthy college spirit, and no man of judgment could wish to see them ended. It is the duty of the students, however, and it should be their thought, to see that they bring no discredit upon their well beloved Alma Mater.

It may be confidently asserted that the publication of the first number of "University Studies" marks the beginning of a new era of world-wide appreciation for the University of Nebraska, though it may be many years before this appreciation produces any direct result. The ability and the learning are here; and all that was lacking was some means of demonstrating this fact to the world. Now the Board of Regents have kindly made a temporary financial provision for the work, but as yet it is only an experiment. The students and all those interested in the future success and fame of the university most sincerely wish that the publication may be placed upon a firm and permanent foundation.

The students are aware that our faculty contains men that have already attracted the attention of the entire learned world. This they have done as individuals, and it is as individuals that they are now thought of elsewhere. One result of the new publication will be to keep constantly before the minds of those at a distance the fact that each of these eminent specialists is a part of our university. This can not at all detract from individual reputations. It will only give to the Alma Mater the name that is here due.

A glance at the pages of the first number is sufficient to show that "Studies" is not intended for general circulation; but it may not be out of place to offer a word in explanation of its real character. It is designed to represent the results of strictly original investigations by western scientists. No paper is to be admitted that is merely a new treatment of old subjects. Each number is to be a contribution to the world's knowledge, and a contribution that no specialist can afford to pass by. The aim is high, to