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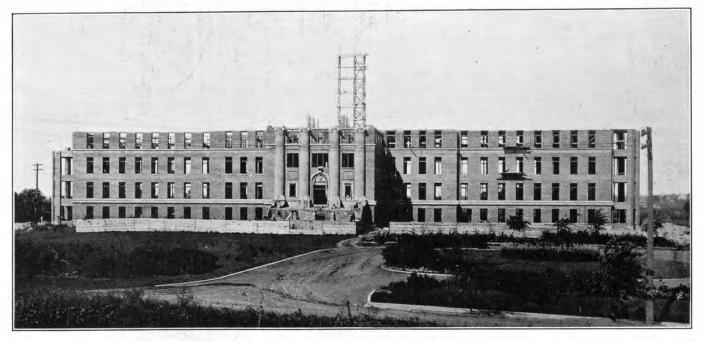
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EDITORIAL

Everybody is probably familiar by this time with the notice at the College building regarding smoking. For the benefit of freshmen who have not yet found the smoking room, the above cut is reproduced. Enough said. On account of the continued increase in the price of paper and especially cuts, it has been deemed necessary to slightly raise the subscription price. Also, watch this paper grow.

In this issue will be found an article by Dr. B. B. Davis which, while good for the freshman, is also particularly good for any student in medical school, who thinks that the M. P. degree and a year's internship is the end of his medical training. Read this article and "orient yourself."

Alumni will be interested in the coming October issue, an Alumni issue, which will tell every Alumni what every other Alumni has done in the last year. Subscribe now!

NU SIGMA PHI NOTES.

Dr. Stasney is in Chicago taking post-graduate work on the nose and throat.

Dr. Elizabeth Hohl is practicing at McCook, Neb., where her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Hohl reside.

Miss Jane Mathews is teaching near Scottsbluff, her home.

Dr. Harriet Orvis is still at the Mary Thompson Hospital. We wish to express our deep sympathy in the loss of her brother, who was just at the threshold of manhood.

NU SIGMA NU NOTES.

The new school year opened up with twenty of the old men back in the chapter. We were sorry to lose the following by graduation: Horton, Curti and Aten. These are now serving their internships in hospitals in New York City.

Paul Flory, who graduated in June, is serving an interne in the the Southern Pacific Hospital of San Francisco, Cal. Rex Fuller is at the Denver & Rio Grande Hospital, Silo, Colo. W. R. Galbreath is in Porto Rico. Hoffmeister is the only man in the city, and is in the office of Dr. Wherry.

Seven of the members have chosen different schools: Kingery, Delzell and Steenberg are at Harvard; Oden and Miller are at Wisconsin University; Vieregg at Kansas, and Byers at Northwestern University.

Sinamark has come back from Cornell to finish his senior year here.

Higby, who is at Cornell, was visiting here a few days this summer.

Wildhaber was traveling over the state for part of the sum-

mer, but during the month of August took a practice at Plymouth, Nebr.

J. Johnson took a practice at Fairfield, Neb., and Riggert one at Waterloo, Ia. Losey has been police surgeon at the South Side Station. He seemed to be right in his element. Montgomery practiced with his uncle in Iowa. Sands spent the summer in Alaska, working in a paper factory. Folken was state food inspector. A. J. Ross summered in Madison, Wis. Schembeck played the steam calliope for Erwin Brothers Wild West Show.

PHI RHO SIGMA NOTES.

Victor Dacken has been elected Steward for the following year. He expresses the policy of the table as follows: "Why buy meat, when sausage is cheaper?"

J. Calvin Davis underwent an operation for a ruptured appendix at the Wise Memorial Hospital this summer. We are glad to report that he is well again, although six weeks in the hospital was necessary to effect a cure.

R. P. Westover was a delegate to the Phi Rho Sigma convention at Detroit, September 20, 21 and 22.

H. L. Updegraff reports a pleasant time at California this summer.

Geo. M. Cultra has succeeded in placing Dun & Bradstreet's on their feet again, by strenuous work this last summer.

G. L. Weigand, Charles Frandsen, Don Owen and C. E. Beede report some good work at the Dispensary this summer.

V. V. Talcott was seen in Council Bluffs recently.

V. V. Talcott reports that he has had extraordinary good experience as relief physician. Talcott says that many times "watchful expectancy" is very good treatment.

Dr. J. J. Keegan made an extensive tour through the East recently.

Our advice to the Freshmen-"Learn your Osteology."

F. M. Coleman took a trip to the East with his father this summer.

Badly Needed.

Fortune Teller-"'I see a dark man."

Politician—"Shake 'em up again and see if you can see a dark horse."—Life.

TEAM-WORK AND STANDARDIZATION OF THE SURGEON.

(By B. B. Davis, M. D., F. A. C. S., Omaha, Nebraska)

In the modern evolution of surgery, conditions have so changed that the methods of work practiced a few years ago must be modified to fit in with recent devolpments. It is now impossible for a man in any branch of the profession to work alone as he once did. So much more can be accomplished when several men join forces that the solitary worker is likely to be lost or at least fail to score.

The surgeon ought to know a great deal about anatomy, physiology, chemistry, pathology, bacteriology, physical diagnosis, rontgenology, and be an accomplished physician, and a man of almost superhuman judgment. But the man who expects to live only seventy years cannot hope to attain commanding efficiency in all these branches, and he finds it necessary to call to his assistance those who are experts in their special fields.

A simple case often needs contributions from practically every department of medical knowledge before a thoroughly comprehensive diagnosis can be worked out.

Suppose that Dr. A. prefers to work alone. He examines his case physically in such a way as to include every organ; makes his own blood examination; chemical analyses of the gastric contents, faeces, and urine; bacterial analyses of the several secretions; a neurological examination; an X-ray and ophthalmological examination; does the required operation himself, and makes the needful pathological examination of the tissue removed. If he can do all these things and do them well, I take off my hat to him; but question his wisdom.

Working in such a way he could not adequately dispose of more than two or three cases a week, and if a case was urgent might fail to reach a definite conclusion until after the patient had ceased to need his services. His experience in each of the expert steps would be so limited that he could not attain the efficiency of the man who contents himself to cover a narrower field.

The man who makes twenty blood counts to his one, or twenty urinary or gastric analyses, or examines twenty hearts and lungs, or inspects the fundus of twenty eyes, or makes and interprets twenty X-ray plates, or studies the bacteria of twenty cases, or studies the gross and microscopical pathology of twenty specimens, or performs twenty similar surgical operations, is bound to be more efficient. The special worker's judgment in his own work cannot fail to be more valuable than the judgment of the man who tries to cover the entire field.

Mr. B. is much wiser and more efficient by perfecting himself in one line and getting his information with reference to the many special tests from those who have had expert training and wide experience in their respective fields. When he brings all his facts together from these several sources he is less liable to err in his diagnosis than th man who works alone. This is what I understand by "team-work." Each individual member of the team assists, and they correct and check up one another.

The chief danger in team-work is in not taking a comprehensive view of the case as a whole after all the isolated facts have been brought together. No surgeon can safely make a final diagnosis in a complicated case until he has assimilated all the findings and subjected them to a rigid and logical analysis. Good team-work will permit fewer surprises at the operating table, the mortality from operations will be lowered, and the results immediate and remote will be more satisfactory.

Standardization of the Surgeon.

What are the fundamental qualities necessary in a man without which he cannot become a surgeon?

The young man with surgical ambitions should be clear-headed and logical. His mind should be able to think straight and grasp a subject comprehensively, quick in making a decision, able to weigh all the factors in a proposition, distinguishing between essentials and non-essentials but giving each item its proper perspective. He must have courage of a high order. The timid mind and the faint heart are poor props to lean on when life and death are at stake.

He must have physical and mental energy, have a sound mind free from morbidness, a mind that can be depended on under the most trying circumstances. He must be capable of marshaling all his knowledge on a given subject quickly when it is needed. The slow thinker loses time when time may mean life or death. The slowenly thinker is likely to have essential facts come to him after the operation is over.

One of the prerequisite qualities is sanity. The safe surgeon's wits are never wool-gathering but go straight to the point by the most direct route.

The ability to operate skillfully is on a lower level than skill in diagnosis, ability to size up a case in all its bearings, an almost uncanny comprehension of a patient's resisting power; but no surgeon can attain marked success who has not skill with his hands. The manual bungler should never try to be a surgeon.

The would-be surgeon should be a man who loves life and has the highest regard for the life of his fellow. He must be willing to do his utmost for every case entrusted to his care. He must be warm-hearted, have wide sympathy, so devoted to his profession that the very idea of graft is repugnant to him.

Clean personal habits, both moral and physical, are not too much to demand. An agreeable personality that begets confidence combined with a cheery, hopeful disposition and backed up by a dogged persistency and a never-give-up spirit, will be most valuable assets.

Having selected a man whose personal qualities seem fitted to make the raw material for a future surgeon, what training is necessary to insure the best finished product? What minimum requirements should be exacted before a man is permitted to go out and practice surgery? Is the present system which regards the mere possession of an omnibus degree in medicine, surgery, and the allied branches a proof of fitness to practice surgery? Is it fair to the public?

Of late a great deal has been said for and against the standardization of the surgeon. There is a better way to develop a surgeon than to follow the old law of "the survival of the fittest." The unfit usually decide finally that they are unfit, but at what a fearful cost! Those who finally succeed and are classed with the "fit" too often reach this goal by a route that has to be paid for by the innocent public.

It seems more humane, more decent, and more in keeping with the high aim of surgery that a course of study and work be devised which will fit men for the practice of this high vocation, and that those unwilling or unfitted to follow the prescribed course be denied the right to practice major surgery. With such a system in operation the layman who entrusts his life or the life of his child to a surgeon will have assurance that the man selected has reasonable qualifications and training for his work.

The working out of the details of a special preparation for the surgeon will be an arduous task calling for the best wisdom of our wisest men; but it must be done or our state legislatures will do it for us. Those long engaged in the practice of surgery who have attained success and who have lofty ideals are so much better qualified to work out the problem that it behooves them to shoulder the burden.

It is not my purpose to do more than make suggestions along general lines. There can be no difference of opinion about the wisdom of the eandidate for surgery first being grounded in the fundamentals by completing the work that leads to the degree of Doctor in Medicine conferred by the chartered colleges. The wider the culture preceding the beginning of the work of the medical college the better the average results.

As a next step following the M. D. degree I believe an internship in a hospital where thorough scientific and systematic work is done is of the utmost importance.

After this the most practical training would sem to be a term of years as apprentice and assistant surgeon of skill and ability. To share daily with the busy surgeon in working out the cases, developing the diagnosis, deciding which should be operated and which should be treated by other methods, sizing up the operative risks, assisting at the operations and sharing in the after-treatment, will bring out and evelop a young man if he has the stuff in him of which surgeons are made.

After a time the apprentice may be entrusted with minor operations under the eye and guidance of his chief. Little by little, it will be safe to drill him in the performance of operations of greater magnitude until imperceptibly he comes into his own with a technique and a matured judgment and without risking lives unnecessarily during the process.

It might be found advantageous for the assistants not to remain with one surgeon during the length of their apprenticeship but to change from one to another in order to gain the benefit of a varied technique and different methods of study of cases and treatment.

The process for finally passing on the fitness of a man to enter into practice as an independent surgeon is another problem to be solved. Shall it cansist of a special degree by an authorized university, by special license by the state, shall it emanate from a national board to be established by the general government, or shall the American College of Surgeons be made by general consent the licensinf body? It has seemed to me entirely safe to recognize membership in the College of Surgeons as a badge carrying with it the right to practice surgery.

The manner in which the examination is conducted is of great importance. The test to ascertain the candidate's knowledge is easy. To ascertain if he is a real surgeon, safe and sane, possessed of the requisite technical skill, endowed with the sterling mental and moral qualities which are so important, is a more difficult matter. A term of service with a number of different surgeons of standing who shall act as a committee to pass on these points ought to be fair and would minimize the chances for mistakes.

In connection with this subject let it be distinctly understood that the right to do any operaion of emergency or to do the usual rouine surgery that comes to the hand of any physician is unquestioned. Only the setting one's self up as an expert in surgery is under discussion. The proposals do not seem to me to work any hardships on anyone honestly and conscientiously desiring to fit himself as a surgeon. The chief object of the proposed arrangement is to do away with some grave abuses which we all know exist, and it will enable the young man of ability to take a high place in the ranks in less time and by an infinitely more satisfactory road than under the present catch-as-catch-can process.

"RACHEL'S" FAVORITE.

A man was walking along a road in Arkansaw, and met an eighteen year old boy who was crying.

"What's the matter, bub?" the man asked.

"Did you meet up with a woman?" the boy inquired.

"Yes, about a mile down the road, I met a woman," the man replied. "Who is she?"

"She is my maw," the boy answered; "she wants to wean me, and I don't intend to let her."

Whereupon the boy ran away rapidly, and bawling at the top of his voice.

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ABOUT THE SCHOOL.

Three new instructors in the laboratory years have ben added to the faculty of the College of Medicine.

Dr. H. E. Eggers comes to the College of Medicine as Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology. Dr. Eggers has his B. Sc. and Master degrees from the University of Wisconsin and his M. D. degree from Rush. He was Fellow in pathology at the University of Chicago in 1906-7; member of the Research Staff of Memorial Institute, Chicago, in 1908-1909 and 1911, and Cook County interne 1909-10. For the past four years he has been Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology in the Harvard Medical School of China at Shanghai. Dr. Eggers comes with the best qualifications for the work in hand.

Mr. John T. Myers comes to the College of Medicine as Instructor in Bacteriology. Mr. Myers received his A. B. degree from Washburn College and his Master's degree from the University of Kansas. Since 1911 he has been engaged in chemical and bacteriological work. The last year or two he has been with Dr. Jordan of the University of Chicago. He comes to the College of Medicine direct from Dr. Jordan's laboratory with his thesis practically completed for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Dr. Amos W. Peters has been appointed Assistant Professor of Biochemistry. Dr. Peters received his A. M. and Ph. D. from Harvard, specializing in physiological-chemical phases of zoology. His research work has been with Professor Otto Folin of Harvard; in connection with the Carnegie Nutrition Laboratory of Boston; and as chemical pathologist for the Vineland, New Jersey Institute. Dr. Peters comes with splendid teaching experience and a consistent record of conscientious research.

Each of the men named has had highly specialized and thorough training. The College welcomes the advent of the new instructors with much confidence in their ability to assist in shaping the destinies of the growing medical school.

During June and July Chancellor Avery and Dr. Cutter visited a large number of medical schools and hospitals throughout the east. The trip was made by automobile from Omaha and return. They covered approximately five thousand miles visiting Chicago, Indianapolis, Dayton, Columbus, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Albany, Rochester, Buffalo, Cleveland, Toledo and many other cities. In most of the cities visited a very thorough inspection of the hospitals and medical schools was made particularly with a view of gathering data for the operation of the new University Hospital now nearing completion. Both Chancellor Avery and Dr. Cutter returned to Nebraska with a keener appreciation of the possibilities of the west and particularly of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine. No hospital visited showed as much for the expenditure involved as our University Hospital. Nebraska is doing and will continue to do in medical education, work which is unquestionably equal to most of the eastern schools and in many respects more effective.

Plans for the permanent walks and driveways are being sent to the contractors at this writing. It is hoped that at least a portion of this work may be completed before freezing weather begins. The plan contemplates a small greenhouse for the benefit of Mr. Darcey.

In this issue will be found the latest picture of the Nebraska State Hospital, now under construction. In the coming issues of the Pulse later pictures of the Hospital will be found as it nears completion.

Several noteworthy improvements have been made in the Department of Anatomy. Mr. Joseph Kovarik has been employed as technician and under Dr. Poynter's skillful guidance has developed an excellent technique in the routine work of running pig and chick series. A student's loan collection of 4,000 slides has been prepared during the summer. A number of new microscopes of the latest pattern have been purchased for the department to meet the demands of the present large freshman class.

The departments of Embrology, Histology, Neurology and Anatomy have been merged into a unified course, dealing with the morphology of man. An introductory course in Human Embryology is given, being followed later by gross anatomy and along with this a detailed Histological study of the tissues as they are studied in the gross. Neurology follows as a climax. Dr. C. M. Poynter directs this unified department.

The medical booth at the Nebraska State Fair this fall was in charge of Dr. MacQuiddy.

A paper by Dr. J. J. Keegan, entitled, "The Study of a Plains Indian Brain," appeared in a recent number of the Journal of Comparative Neurology. This article has received much favorable comment, even to the extent that the author has had an invitation to continue his work along this line at the Smithsonian Institution at Washington.

During the summer months, C. E. Beede has completed an arbeit on the Pathology of the Early Human Embryo.

Mrs. Margaret Quinlin had a restful vacation at Glenwood Springs, Colo., during the late summer, and returned recently, looking the picture of health.

Miss Irene Bostwick enjoyed a month at Clear Lake, Iowa, this last summer.

Mr. Darcey is to be complimented upon the appearance of the ground. The lawn was green throughout the summer, although other lawns were burnt out long ago.

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FRESHMEN CLASS NOTES.

The big reception of September 18 offered a fine opportunity for the freshman class to meet the instructors and upper classmen of our new school home. The freshman class of this semester is perhaps the biggest class the school has had, and the number of men who are entering our school from other schools, is proof enough of the class of medical school Nebraska University's teachers have built up.

The new atmosphere of get to work as soon as you light is very contagious and things went the very first day in a way that rivaled the second or third week's work at Lincoln. We hope that the said atmosphere will bring the Nebraska "U" freshman in closer touch with the outstate men and continue the old happy family system of Lincoln Pre-Medic days.

The Erstwhile Happy Family.

"Mississ Laeedee" Weeth, otherwise known as Chas. has recovered from working with the most fluent cat in Wolcott's department, from an olfactory standpoint, and is ready for the time of his young life. Far be it from we'uns to disappoint you Chas.

Our ex-classmates, Ford and Angle, intend to spend another year in the atmosphere of languid Lincoln. The subjects of Psychology and Fussing will be pursued with avidity, especially the latter.

Ford expects, likewise, to have a heavier beard by that time, owing to the wear and tear on beards incident to the afore-mentioned courses.

Charlie Huestis got the tennis bug so bad this summer that summer school didn't even appeal to him, and he looks healthier and even more rational for it, too. The consignment of German Black Glasses to keep the bright lights out of the freshman boys eyes failed to arrive and the management has Histology to offer instead. It is pointed out that the Histology is cheaper and just as hard on the eyes.

We bring an orator with us in the person of Wallace Gerrie, the free dispenser of the old "pep" and determination. Warfield got his start from Gerrie with the little device which says:

"If you don't like de fizz, put 'em back in de Besket,--don't squeeze 'em."

Ask the Happy Family.

NOTES.

Coach Mulligan of the Omaha High School has entered the freshman class this year and expects to manage the medical course and Omaha's athletics as well. Welcome, coach, and you will have a good "stiff" job ahead of you.

A bunch of our old Lincoln pals got hay in their hair on the old farmstead. Stewart, Surber, Murray and the "Kansas Speder," Dan Bolton did the heavies on pitching hay.

"Unsere Grossmutter" Lissack brought us tidings of great joy and his rubbers as well (supposedly to wade through the perfectly good showers down-stairs.)

Minthorne, Eyerly and Gerrie spent the week end in Lincoln helping the boys look over the new frosh.

The best little assistant we ever saw in the cat anatomy of Lincoln is with the freshman class in the person of Dave Stonecypher. He ran the big race this summer on the Chautauqua circuit.

Our so-called "hen medics" have the right idea alright, in that Miss Churchill and Miss Ivers have added two to their ranks to make it an even quartet for purposes of research in Dr. Poynter's much feared subject.

The Pharmics got another victory when they elected Doctor Lyman, our old Lincoln ally, to the president of a big pharmaceutical organization. Here's luck, Doctor, and we hope you will help the premedics as much this year as you did last.

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THE LIBRARY.

Freshmen, as well as upper classmen are invited to become more intimately acquainted with the library. Dr. Wherry, librarian of the Medical Society, in a recent issue of the Nebraska State Medical Journal, declares his belief in the fact that "we have the best medical library between Chicago and San Francisco. This is undoubtedly true, and it behooves us to take advantage of it, while we are here.



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Dr. Stokes made us a gift of the last mentioned set and Dr. Patton of the Laryngoscope & Annals of Otology.

Dr. Cutter picked up some very valuable books last summer while in New York City. Some of these are of special historical interest.

Dr. Casey A. Wood of Chicago, a personal friend of Dr. Gifford's presented the library with his two volume work on Ophthalmic Operations, also his Ophthalmic Therapeutics.



FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET, ELECTION AND TREASURER'S COLLECTION OF THE SIX WHISKER CLUB.

After spending two months between spring and fall in the uncultivated and non-pathogenic fields of nature—the cocci again return to these neurologic stamping grounds. To the strains of "Everybody Wants to Do You—Hold You—Work You—Do You Right—Be a Lady —Be a Lady!" and the sad similar strains of "Baby Chews," the clan was called to order. Roll call showed the following brothers present:

> Brilliant Green General Coolen Golddust Twins Philip M. Morse U. S. Grant

The Unconscious Herring Little Grains of Sand Abie, the Agent Friday and Saturday Night Slippery Grease

Among the distinguished out of town guests were :

My So The Wild Woman One Lung Hi Eczemia Glycothymoline The Aenemic Base Drum

Methylene Blue's dance, "The Chase of the Goni," was the staining feature of the evening.

The announcement of the pledging of the "New Smoking Rules" was received with deep inhalations.

WE HOPE IT'S TRUE.

Doc Walsh, who does most of the doctoring in our neighborhood, is telling what he considers a funny story. A Chiropractic doctor in Iowa is advertising to sell his practice; a chiropractic is a new style doctor who says there is nothing in medicine. And the advertisement conclusion: "Reason for selling: I intend to study medicine."— From E. W. Howe's Monthly.



GOO' BY.

Two medics—who my sister long adored, One bought a car, I thought he had scored A victory. But when the car around 'Twas not a car—'twas but an ancient Ford. Goo' By.

Last night as I was coming down the street— I lamped a dame—and she was "rather neat." I glanced at her and she glanced back and then I looked again, and looking at her feet— Goo' By.

Anon I came into a restaurant, where

Mid tropic palms they served rich food rare. I sat me down and read the menu o'er,

Then looked again and saw the prices there.

Goo' By.

-From the Ruby Yatch of Yarick.

THE MICROBE'S SERENADE.

A lovelorn microbe met by chance At a swagger, bacteroidal dance A proud bacillian belle, and she Was the first of the animalculae. Of organisms saccharin She was the protoplasmic queen, The microscopical pride and pet, Of the biological smartest set. And so, this infinitesimal swain Evolved a pleading, low refrain:

"Oh, lovely, metamorphic germ, What futile, scientific term Can well describe your many charms? Come to these embryonic arms, Then hie away to my cellular home And be my little diatome."

His epithelium swelled with love, He swore my molecules above She'd be his own gregarious mate Or else he would disintegrate. This amorous mite of a parasite Pursued the germ both day and night, And 'neath her window often played This Darwin-Huxley serenade:

"Oh, most primordial type of spore, I never met your like before; And, though a microbe has no heart, From you, sweet germ, I'll never part. We'll sit beneath some fungus growth Till dissolution claims us both.

-George Ade.

HEARD IN EMBRYOLOGY LAB., SEPTEMBER 18.

Above mentioned date being given prove to the unsuspecting and perhaps not unsophisticated public that it only takes one to hit 'em, in the words of the vernacular, which is short for Sweeny.

The first day of school proves a boon to the freshman editor, as a joke goes ahead and gets cracked the very first day. Ye editor was slaving wild to find a joke (quite essential to a society editor's column as you have perhaps noticed), and along comes the first of the three saving graces. (The other two work for their living), and the frosh sprang the following:

After Dr. Poynter had very clearly and definitely explained the

value of specificity (above may be taken as a concrete example), he looked the crew over and said:

"Is there anyone here who didn't register Saturday?"

Someone spoke up quite fluently and said: "I registered on Friday Doc, is that alright?"

For a long introduction like this joke had, it is sure sort of bum, but the life of a society editor on a medical paper is not over-replete with humorous events and if this apology sufficient not, more issues will follow, so fear not, we'll make it right with you later.

Somebody dropped this in the box. (We don't blame 'em):

SUMMER STUFF.

(Verse by a Post-Vacationist. Summer Furs and Summer Not.)

Ach, Gwendolyn, wilt with me go? Far from mortals here below.

(Summer stuff).

Canoedling on the rippling tide That wafts the jelly-fish beside.

(Some more summer stuff).

To sands unknown—islands new.

Just Flight and Fancy—me and you;

With Fancy paddling our canoe

And Flight astern to watch the View,

It's pretty soft for me and you. (Some stuff).

COMPLIMENTS ARE OF LESS VALUE EVERY YEAR.

Geo. T. Wasson, A. B., writes: "When Darwin, Spencer and Huxley are forgotten, the name of Sydney C. Tapp will be fresh in the minds of men in science."

I know nothing of Mr. Tapp except that he has written a book, and requests me, by means of a circular, to buy a copy; the great compliment quoted is printed in this circular. Nor do I know who Geo. T. Wasson, A. B., is.

Tremendous compliments of this character may be heard or read every day. Every little group has a mutual admiration department, and the little people declare they are superior to Darwin, Spencer and Huxley.

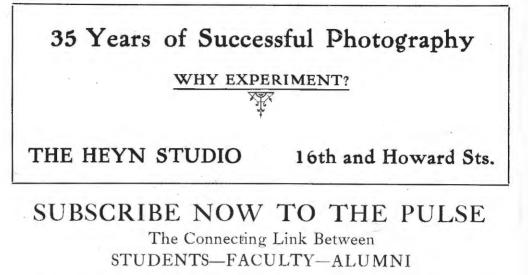
If Mr. Tapp's book should have a great sale, that would be a real compliment.

Two stallions from adjoining ranches leaned over the fence and exchanged local gossip.

Said the first stallion: "We have equal suffrage on our ranch now."

"That so?" ventured the second one.

"Yep. My wife's running for representative. She's a mare now."

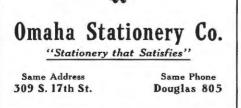


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