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SINGLE TAX

In these days when our University is making such progress in the medical world, it is up to you, "The Student Body," to throw your shoulders to the wheel and push. We have been sitting back watching those who are in the foremost position do the work, and now it is up to you. It is your duty to make this school the best in the country. With the new buildings and appropriations this can be easily done. Students, you now have your buildings.

What are you going to do?

A school becomes known in a community by its activities. Then the first thing to do is to support the activities. The connecting link between the school and the outside world is The Pulse.

At our mother University in Lincoln those who were looking into the future saw that if it was left to the student body, the activities would go begging. They at once organized a group of men to look into this matter and to find out what the trouble was. They found the old axiom to be true, namely, "A man will only do what he is driven to do." Thus the question rested for a number of years.

A short time ago one of the students took this matter up where it had been dropped. He presented figures to the Faculty which showed that less than one-fifth of the student body supported the activities. He also showed that if the entire student body supported them the cost could be greatly reduced. The Faculty said, "Bring it before the student body." As a result the single tax was proposed, voted on, and passed, and the school slid over the big bump in its advancement. Think of the satisfaction of knowing that the activities will be supported. Think how much harder a man will work for a thing when he knows he has the school behind him.

This is the condition of our school at the present time. Out of

155, only 56 of the students support this, our only activity, The Pulse. We of the staff can do nothing, as you, the student body, have our hands tied. If our mother school can have the single tax, why can't we?

Gentlemen, it is your duty to put your shoulder to the wheel and push hard. The single tax will be brought before you. Will you support it?

TO THE ALUMNI

You who have realized your ideal, i. e., of becoming a practicing M. D., no doubt often wonder about your old school and about all the old fellows who were in school with you. You would like to know how they are getting along, if they are advancing as you are, and if they have fulfilled your prophecies concerning their future. How would you like to get in touch with them? We are going to have an Alumni department and will incorporate in this section letters from the Alumni. Now, in order to make this department a success we will have to have your cooperation, and you will have to be prompt in answering requests for letters. This much you fellows owe your school. You can see by Dr. Cutter's article in this issue what rapid strides this school will make in the near future. You know how much a "boost" helps in any cause, and this boost is what we are asking of our Alumni.

"Push; Don't Ride," is our motto from now on. We want you to join hands with us in our effort to put out a school publication which will represent our growing school.

THE CORNHUSKER

Just at this time, when our school at Lincoln is putting out the great book of the year, the question arises as to what part have we in it. We are in name only connected with the rest of our school. We take no part in the affairs of that school. We take no part in the activities of that school. We take no part in the life of that school, and yet the Cornhusker staff come to us at Omaha and ask us to pay money to put our pictures in a book that we possibly have no interest in. It is true that we support this book to some extent, but why should we, that is the question. Do we gain anything from the support given this book, or does our school gain anything? Let us have something original on this subject.

"COME, FILL UP THE CUP"—OMAR

Popular Ragtime Anomalies

A supplication for the illuminating baubles to be eradicated.

I am not in possession of a person of much consequence.

Not nice, three times.

A colored mother's dark shaded florist's specialty.

The lady who brought the essence of light and heat into an Atlantic seaboard reservation.

It is not intended that you shall go anywhere this evening.



DR. I. S. CUTTER

THE LEGISLATURE AND THE OUTLOOK

The Legislature of 1917 has been presented with a definite statement of the needs of the University Medical School. At no time in the history of the school has a definite constructive policy been more apparent or more self-evident. The constantly growing student body must be cared for. The present laboratory building has this year proven inadequate for present needs. Two years must certainly elapse before a new laboratory building can be completed and ready for occupancy. This means that the present laboratory building must suffice for the immediate needs of the school even though the Legislature grant an appropriation for a new laboratory building.

At this writing the medical college bills have passed the House and there seems to be no valid opposition to the constructive program as outlined in these bills. The hospital which is rapidly nearing completion must be equipped and money provided for its maintenance. Money thus expended will relieve in a large measure counties of the state which have heretofore been compelled to expend large sums for expert medical and surgical care of worthy sick poor. While the University Hospital will not entirely relieve counties of this expense, yet the burden will be lightened and the patients will undoubtedly receive better care with a larger proportion restored to earning capacity. From an economic point of view the University Hospital is a wise investment for the state. Our hospitals for the insane rarely restore to earning capacity patients sent to them. The University Hospital

on the other hand, by reason of expert medical and surgical care, may render citizens self-supporting and thereby effect an actual economic saving.

The University of Nebraska College of Medicine occupies a strategic position. No medical school in the West approaches Nebraska in faculty or equipment until California is reached. To the north no school is comparable save Minnesota. Chicago on the east; St. Louis to the southeast, and Tulane to the extreme south offer well equipped schools. Nebraska, because of the particular strength of both the laboratory and clinical faculty offers even greater opportunity for accurate medical training than many of the schools noted above. Few of our students realize the remarkable strength of our present clinical faculty. A dozen of our men are known as leaders in their respective lines the country over. Many of them are well known in European medical circles. With a University Hospital practically ready and with its opportunities for the careful working-up of each particular case, vastly better clinical teaching may be expected. The instruction in the laboratory years will increase in efficiency in direct proportion to the equipment, assistance and space provided. From a very careful estimate of the teaching in over twenty of our best American colleges one cannot help but conclude that the possibilities for the individual student are probably not better in but very few schools in the country. Nebraska, medically, is passing through a real constructive era. New public health laws are being proposed; the State Medical Association is vastly more unified, and there is an increasing professional idealism.

The University Medical School, realizing its opportunities, must strive toward the best in medical education and be content with nothing less. Every student has a right to no little pride in the progress which the medical school has made. Too few realize that upon the caliber and character of the under-graduate as well as the graduate student body depends the reputation of the school.

The appropriation bills for the College of Medicine now go to the Senate, and it is of the utmost importance that each Senator has a clear realization of the accomplishments and aims of the College of Medicine. The Medical School is in a position to court the widest publicity. Friends of the school should see that the Senators from their districts appreciate the needs and possibilities of medical education.

IRVING S. CUTTER, Dean.

WORDS OF THE HOST TO THE PHYSICIAN

Seyde I nat wel? I cannot speke in terme;
 But wel I woot, thou dost my herte to erme,
 That I almost have caught a cardiale.
 By Corpus bones! But I have a triacle,
 Or elles a draught of moyste and corny ale
 Or but I here anon a merry tale,
 My herte is lost for pitee of this mayde.

CROSS SUTURING OF NERVES

A. L. Nielsen (Class of '19)

Nerve regeneration as a subject has been recognized and investigated for some time. The first attempt to investigate by means of cross suturing was made by Flourens in 1828. He sutured the central end of the fifth cervical to the peripheral end of the vagus and reported that there was no functional union. This negative result was due to lack of sufficient time for the regeneration to take place. In 1885 Rama, working in Germany, sutured the hypoglossal to the peripheral end of the vagus and reported functional union. Upon stimulation the sutured nerve gave similar results as upon vagus stimulation. Since this time much work has been done upon this subject, principally by Langley in England and Erlanger in America.

Erlanger carried out a series of experiments on dogs, suturing the peripheral end of the right vagus to a branch of the right cervical plexus. He used six animals and his results were all similar. Ten months time was necessary for the regeneration in order to get good functional connections. The nerves responded as normal ones to stimulation.

Langley, in order to get more definite results, sutured cranial visceral fibers with nerve cells of the superior cervical ganglia. He first sutured the central end of the vagus to the cut peripheral end of the cervical sympathetic. Results after 40 days showed that the vagus gained an influence upon all structures normally controlled by the cervical sympathetic, i. e., stimulation of the sutured nerve caused blanching of the ear (vasoconstriction) and erection of the hairs around the eye and ear (pilomotor). He sectioned the sympathetic root of the operated side and the ear became flushed. This gradually became less until after 50 days no distinction between the two ears could be noticed. This showed that the repair of the suture was complete enough to transmit tonic impulses to the vasoconstrictors of the ear vessels. He repeated the experiment and got same results. He next sutured the central end of the lingual with the preceding sympathetic trunk and the results were similar, the nerve carrying tonic impulses and causing dilatation of the vessels in the submaxillary gland, upon stimulation. This result is very striking, for the impulse carried over the normal cervical sympathetic caused vasoconstriction (an excitatory effect), while after suturing the impulse carried causes vasodilatation (inhibitory). These results were confirmed by many repeated experiments.

Another interesting experiment along the same line was performed by Dr. Harvey Cushing in 1903. The patient had been shot and the bullet tore away the posterior portion of the face and the mastoid process of the temporal bone. The facial nerve was completely severed and the central end was too badly injured and too short to make connection with the peripheral end. The operation performed was as follows: The spinal accessory nerve was located where it emerged from the posterior side of the sterno-cleido-mastoid muscle; it was cut at this point and pulled through to the anterior border of the muscle and sutured to the peripheral end of the injured facial nerve. The recovery though prolonged was uneventful. When discharged

from the hospital, stimulation over the nerve gave muscular response and a few months later normal movements of the facial muscles became possible. This is one instance where cross suturing of nerves proved to be a practical surgical measure.

Cases of suturing cut portions of a nerve are now quite common, with regeneration as the usual result. Results are practically assured if the suturing is not put off but done at once. Dr. A. C. Stokes, of Omaha, last winter sutured a severed facial nerve and as far as the case was followed, the results were entirely favorable.

From the results of these various experiments, it would be impossible not to conclude that nerve fibers can regenerate under suitable conditions—not only nerve fibers of the same class but of different classes. Erlanger's work shows regeneration of two cranial nerves which were motor in function. Langley's suture of the vagus to the cervical sympathetic shows a case of the union of fibers of a different class. As to the nature of the nerve impulse carried by any nerve or sutured nerve, proof seems conclusive that the impulse is not particular for the result, but that any impulse causes an effect, the character of which is due to the nature of the end organ to which the impulse is carried.

LETTER FROM DUTCH

Chicago, Ill., March 7th.

Dear Friend: How are all the fellows making it now? They sure work us here. I feel more at home in Chicago than I thought I would as there are three Nebraska fellows here at Northwestern and some at Rush and the University of Illinois. Merton Arnold, who finished his freshman year at Nebraska, is now in his sophomore year here, having been out of school for a couple of years and in the government experimental service. J. C. Byers, of last year's freshman class at Nebraska is also a sophomore here. Dwight Sigworth, who had his first two years in Omaha, is now a senior at Rush. The seniors have no spare time these days, as the Cook County exams begin March 15th. Louis Waldeman, of whom many will remember, is now a junior at the University of Illinois. We see very little of these other fellows, as they are very busy. Though we like our work here, we do not forget and are always loyal to the University of Nebraska, College of Medicine.

With best wishes I am,

Yours respectfully,

C. G. NEWBECKER.

PAN-HELLENIC DANCE

The first annual all-Greek dance of the University College of Medicine was held at the Fontenelle, Friday, March 23. About 70 couples were present. Music was furnished by Schembeck's five-piece orchestra. The committee wishes to express their appreciation of the faculty's cooperation in this their first attempt at an inter-fraternity function.

THE CHANGEABLE BELL

(With apologies to Geo. Ade)

Once upon a Time, there was a young Fellow, whose Parental Ancestors decided that the Young Cut Up would make a splendid Doctor. So accordingly, after he had become infected with a little Knowledge from the district High School at Dugan's Ditch and he had spent a few Years and considerable of his Father's Sugar at the University, having become an expert Rah' Rah' Boy, Frat Man, and third Substitute center rush on the Scrubs, He, Young Cut Up, was about to enter the Portals of the Medical School.

But he was not to enter without the equipment, Mazuma and the rest of this World's Goods. Among his Accessories, his Watch proved most interesting. First, his Daddy, who had lots of Sugar, paid eighty Bones for it. Second, it was imported and guaranteed not to Vary a Minute in a Year.

But when Young Cut Up arrived for his first Class, cheerful in the hope that he would smear the Prof.—Alas—the Bell had rung ten Minutes before. He went in, but the Prof. scowled and he knew he was plucked right there.

However, Young Cut Up was not to be outdone by the Bell. He just changed the Time on his Watch to correspond with the Bell.

He is a Senior now and the Habit of changing his Watch every day to suit the Bell is so Fixed that it comes easy.

Moral: I you haven't got the Habit, You're Plucked.

INTER-FRATERNITY COUNCIL

Wednesday night at the Phi Chi house the three fraternities at the school united to form an inter-fraternity council. Nu Sigma Nu was represented by Salisbury, Safarick, and Murphy, Phi Chi by Gerrie, Freidel, and Lamphere, and Phi Rho Sigma by Dakin, Owen, and Weigand. The following temporary officers were elected: Salisbury, president; Owen, vice-president; and Gerrie, secretary-treasurer. A temporary constitution was adopted which will be discussed by the respective fraternities and if satisfactory will be accepted. The main discussion was on rushing and pledging. The general trend was that Nebraska College of Medicine will have semester pledging in 1918. This is a good move and the council is to be commended. A prize for the best scholarship will also be offered. The next meeting will be at the Phi Rho house Sunday afternoon, March 25. A member of the faculty from each fraternity will also be members of the organization.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! A NEW METHOD

Doctor: Cooper, how would you treat a pregnant woman coming to you for advice?

Cooper: I would first find her mental attitude and treat her accordingly.

UNIVERSITY DRAMA

Time: February 15, 1917.

Place: Classroom.

Plot: Freshmen and Sophomores after having taken an unauthorized holiday, having enjoyed a theatre party (and everything), Sophs at the Gayety; Fresh, having more dignity, at the Orpheum.

Next day—2 o'clock, Sophomore class.

Enter—The Dean, stern of countenance, and proceeds to give the class full instructions as to how to conduct himself or herself, if it happened to be one of the weaker sex that Dr. Poynter speaks of.

Fifteen minutes silence.

Grant Sill comes front, and nobly apologizes for the downcast culprits.

S. M. Weyer comes front with some "Naughty, Naughty" stuff. Gasp from the class.

Act 2

Freshman Class:

Enter—Dean, with similar countenance.

(Dr. Poynter as super.)

Same instructions as to Sophs.

Wallace Gerrie front on bended knees praying for the salvation of the class.

Curtain.

Moral: See the Dean about your next skip day.

JUNIOR INFANTRY UNIT FOR STATE UNIVERSITY

Washington, March 8.—A senior infantry unit of the reserve officers training corps has been established, it was announced by the war department, at the State University of Iowa. A junior infantry unit has been authorized for the University of Nebraska.—Bee.

We hear that the Navy department has issued a call for 1,800 men for the medical service in the Navy.

PRE-MEDIC NOTES

Scarlet fever seems to be the style in Lincoln, especially among the pre-medics, as there are twelve infected at the present writing. This epidemic is raging in Lincoln, and each day brings in many new cases, a great percentage of which are University students. The following fraternity houses are wholly or partially quarantined: Bushnell Guild, Farm House, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, and the Alpha Phi sorority. Circulars have been scattered broadcast throughout the city explaining the symptoms and protective measures against this disease. The students are taking a commercial form of antitoxin, for scarlet fever, three injections for one dollar, with the result of many sore arms.

The Pre-Medics are getting more than their share of the political offices, as we have H. M. Dally, of Omaha, president of the freshman class, and W. T. Johnson, of Pawnee, president of the sophomore class, to our credit.

We have great hopes for the Pre-Medic section of this year's Cornhusker.

JUNIOR NOTES

Dr. Waters: Walker, define menstruation.

Walker: It occurs every 28 days.

Dr. Waters: Where does it occur?

Walker: In females.

Ken Thompson has the science of obstetrics down to a fine point. He brings boys or girls to order. We are not acquainted with his methods but predict a great future for him.

We understand that the Junior class has undertaken to help Brewer make a nice appearance, even going so far as to supply him with a clean collar when necessary.

Dr. Conlin: Mauer, what kinds of aneurisms have we?

Mauer: Sacculated, fusiform where it fuses with a vein, and others.

Chas. Fransden has accepted the position of senior interne at the Swedish Mission hospital for the next year.

Westover has the distinction of killing the first dog in dog surgery. He claims it was to save the surgeon the work of post operative treatment, but Dr. Stokes seems to think otherwise.

The last operation of suturing the cranial nerve in dog surgery was very successful, but some of the dogs, judging from their actions, seems to show spontaneous regeneration of the nerves.

SOPHOMORE NOTES

Coleman takes sulphur to make him shed hair!

The loud laugh that spells the vacant mind!

Sophomore Song: It's nice to get up in the morning by—Bottle brigade.

Dr. Eggers and his anaesthetic lectures.

Klein wishes to know what makes the Tower of Pisa lean.

What has the high tops of shoes got to do with the high cost of living?

Green said: "One fluttering bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

Magee thinks that anthracosis is caused by anthrax. Let him live!

Why bring in calcified specimens when we have such beautiful ones in the class?

Now the foetal heartbeat is likened to ticks; but you must be careful of the bedbugs, for they are between the ticks.—Oh, you Weinberg!

Eggers: Edmiston, explain the infaret formation.

Edmiston: Well, you see, Doctor, it is this way. When the condition of this—sort—well, a-is going on—

Eggers: Next!

Baily: Can you answer that question?

Yes, Doctor, it is a-a-bloody. Yah!

Nielson: There is no god but Sahli and Andy is his prophet.

Stude: Are these eggs fried?

Waiter: Yes, sir.

Stude: Freid-ell.

Deal will have them come back later—who knows?

FRESHMAN NOTES

With the coming of the first robin, a harbinger of spring, five Freshmen have blossomed forth with embryo moustaches. Dr. Poynter may be able to offer several new methods for the treatment of these hair lips.

Heard in the Anatomy Lab.

Where's our lingual nerve?

From over the partition: "Look in the bucket!"

Ambitions of the Frosh, when Full-Fledged M. D's.

Balcom: To start a Vet. school.

Kirkpatrick: To go back home and have it known that he is a lad with a bad reputation.

Gerrie: To have an office in the Continental Block.

Newcome: To eat thyroid extract and be as tall as Walvoord.

Wymueller: To go into partnership with Foley.

Weath: To get Dr. Keegan into a poker game.

Grandma Lissack: To get a writ enjoining Murray and Bronson from further slander.

Johnson: To chew without getting sick.

A TRIBUTE

It seems funny that with a state so rich as ours that we can not at least pay the professors in the various schools a living wage. A professor goes along each year thinking he will get more money the next year. Then a legislature finds that the state is poor and must have more money and cuts the sum that should be allowed for maintenance down as far as possible. The result is that our undaunted pioneers of a new and greater civilization stay as poor as church mice with little more than the love and friendship of their students to pay them for their great work.

LIBRARY NOTES

Many valuable periodical sets have been added to the library the past month, among them being the Glasgow Medical Journal, Archiv fuer Verdauungskrankheiten, Archiv fuer Dermatologie und Syphilis, British Journal of Diseases of Children, Modern Hospital, Zeitschrift fuer Kinderheilkunde, Journal of Experimental Medicine, Folia Serologica, Proceedings of the Royal Society of Medicine and Zeitschrift fuer Immunitatsforschung.

Several valuable books have just arrived: Pottenger's Clinical Tuberculosis; Savage, Milk and the Public Health; Prescott, Water Bacteriology; Mason, Water Supply; Moore, Pathology and Differential Diagnosis of Infectious Diseases of Animals; and Wadsworth on Post-Mortem Examinations, are all books of interest to the student. Our shelves are full and overflowing with valuable material on the subject which you are looking up and are interested in.

HALLIE WILSON, Librarian.

CRADLE SONG FOR EUGENIC BABIES

Rock-a-bye, baby, up on the bough;
 You get your milk from a certified cow!
 Before your eugenic young parents were wed
 They had decided how you should be fed.

Hush-a-bye, baby, on the tree top;
 If grandmother trots you, you tell her to stop;
 Shun the trot horse that your grandmother rides;
 It will work harm to your little insides.

Mama's scientific—she knows all the laws—
 She kisses her darling through carbolic gauze.
 Rock-a-bye, baby; don't wriggle and squirm;
 Nothing is near you that looks like a worm.

WHAT SAY, AL, WHAT SAY?

“Evening clothes for dressy gents
 Will be in red or green.
 This black is much too somber,”
 Our fashion-makers scream.

But what on earth will woman do
 To hold her present place,
 To keep her rags attractive, when
 Men go this awful pace?

One member has suggested,
 “To slip one on the men,
 We'll go them just one better;
 Bring the fig-leaf back again.”

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Seeing that the summer is approaching, what about those promised tennis courts?

A \$10,000 cut is certainly hard in these days of the high cost of living.

Who mops out the smoking room?

Next time the legislature comes to our school let's have some warning.

When it comes to Sob Stuff etc. Eh!

Dog surgery makes the juniors wash their necks. There's a little bit of good in every bad little course.

They say in Lincoln that the Medics are not producers. Oh! well, they never took obstetrics.

Who is the man with but two words in his vocabulary, i. e., laity and recapitulate?

If the cadavers that the Anatomy department have stacked near the door of the vapor room were removed, the essence of putrefaction would not envelop every mortal soul who has the misfortune to pass that part of the building.

They say a teacher is a weak-kneed individual. Does that apply to our Dean?

Once again "orient yourself" is in the limelight.

Dog-gone, but there's sure goin' to be style on the 23. What say, Mose?

Popular slogan: "Johnny, get your gun."

PULSE BOX GLEANINGS

Nolan is some little prescription writer.

The latest: Rx.

Tanalbin 20 Gms.

Make 20 such powders.

Sig: One B-4 each meal.

M. D. Nolan.

We say it would be astringent. * * *

Joe is some neutralizer—!.

We understand that the University has added Dr. Sheets of the County Hospital to its surgery staff. We feel sure that Dr. Sheets will do much to raise the standard of surgery and that the seniors will appreciate the advantage of being able to watch the work of so able a surgeon. That the addition of this reputable name to the catalogue will be welcomed by his many friends of the last two years' classes is merely casual.

Request: Medics who expect to help Rev. Savidge in his vice suppression will favor him greatly if they wait for him before inspecting suspicious places.

OUR RELATION

Upon the mantel of the room in which I sit there is a small Japanese bronze box. It is an inch and a quarter long, almost square, and decorated on the outside with queer Japanese figures. Inside, in a vial an inch long, very slender and filled with alcohol, is a curved white object, with what seems to be a dark shadow running from one end to the other.

This object has neither tail, neither wings nor bones of any sort, but four years ago it was a living, darting thing that found food for itself in the sand on the seashore of Formosa. It buried its body in the sand and appeared to be nothing but a water tube, for a small round opening at one end was surrounded by a waving fringe of fibers. This opening served for a mouth, and into it the water went. On the under side of the body was another opening out of which the water flowed. The animal lived on the food which it caught from the water that passed through its body.

With all that it lacks then, this small creature is entirely different from the amoeba, for it has at least a mouth and a stomach. It has indeed much more than this, for the shadow we see stretching from end to end is the earliest style of backbone that scientists have ever found in an animal of any sort.

And because of this backbone this tiny animal is a relative of every other animal that has a backbone.

Amphioxus, we salute you.

Early to bed and early to rise—
And you'll meet common folks.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA STUDENTS SERVING AS INTERNES

- A. J. Young, Long Island College Hospital, New York City.
- A. B. Aten, Long Island College Hospital, New York City.
- W. K. Riley, Long Island College Hospital, New York City.
- R. E. Curti, Greenpoint Hospital, Brooklyn.
- Fred L. Horton, Greenpoint Hospital, Brooklyn.
- Wm. Shepherd, Greenpoint Hospital, Brooklyn.
- W. R. Galbreath, Presbyterian Hospital, San Juan, Porto Rico.
- P. J. Flory, Southern Pacific Hospital, San Francisco.
- G. W. Hoffmeister, Harper Hospital, Detroit, Mich.
- C. H. Bastron, Buffalo General Hospital, Buffalo.
- J. L. Linn, Kings County Hospital, New York City.
- W. W. Walvoord, Kings County Hospital, New York City.
- D. B. Park, Clarkson Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.
- F. W. Niehaus, Clarkson Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.
- A. H. Webb, Immanuel Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.
- L. E. Hanisch, Immanuel Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.
- A. S. Rubnitz, Wise Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Nebr.

THE PRISONER

The hills call and the roads call, and the sea
 With voices of remembered deeds and days,
 Of winds that roam the world forever free,
 Tempting the rover to the wander-ways.

Yet, though these voices hold their spell for me,
 Still do I linger in the city's maze,
 Thrall'd by the loud conglomerate minstrelsy
 Of rumbling whistles and of hurrying feet,
 Of roaring traffic and the clamant beat
 Of hammers on the ringing ribs of steel;
 This is the city's summons, this the call
 Drowning the gentler voices, one and all,
 In rolling music of its vast appeal!

And if I seek the road, the sea, the hills,
 A little space their ancient glamour fills
 My utmost need; but presently I know
 A longing for the tumult and the press,
 The fret and haste, the glitter and the show,
 The vast and neber-sated restlessness,
 And all the sounds of avenue and slum
 Which make the city. When I hear her voice,
 I turn my footsteps homeward and rejoice;
 The city calls—I come!

Barton Braley.

Any old time the State Board of Health plans a physical inspection of the state's charges, a preliminary examination of the food supply is strictly in order. A casual inspection of the Board of Control's records of last year's edibles, from bread to tobacco, no doubt will convince the doctors that the patients respond nobly to the treatment, rendering a tour of inspection unnecessary.—Omaha Bee.

“Who is this?”
 “This is a scholar.”
 “What is a scholar?”
 “A student who gets good grades.”
 “Who judges?”
 “The professors.”

FOOLING THE DOCTOR.

Convict 914: “The doc told me if I did not quit smoking I'd croak within two years.”

Convict 606: “Going to quit?”

Convict 914: “Nope; the joke's on the doc; I'm going to be hanged next month.”—Chaparral, N. Y. Evening Post.

JOHN'S HOPKINS ORGANIZING

Every Student and Alumnus Being Indexed For War Service

Baltimore:—March 14—It was announced at John's Hopkins University today that the ability of every student and alumnus was being indexed in an effort to find how each could serve in case of war. Every student and alumnus will be asked concerning his scientific knowledge and the time and aid he can give. There is already at the medical school a base hospital of 300 members.

Dr. Frank J. Goodnow, President of the University, made the following statement:

"John's Hopkins is at the service of the United States Government. Our laboratories and equipment, our hospitals, and every member of the Faculty are for country's service now in preparation for war no less than when war is declared."—EXCHANGE.

NOTICE:—The Business Manager would like to state that if Nolan would like a column in the Pulse for the publication of his prescriptions, that he would be glad to meet him and arrange for the same.

A Long Talk.

Dr. Wiley tells the following story: Sleepily, after a night off, a certain interne hastened to his hospital ward. The first patient was a stout old Irishman.

"How goes it?" he inquired.

"Faith, it'sh me breathin', doctor. I can't get me breath at all."

"Why, your pulse is normal. Let me examine the lung-action," replied the doctor, kneeling beside the cot, and laying his head on the ample chest.

"Now, let's hear you talk," he continued, closing his eyes and listening.

"What'll Oi be sayin', doctor?"

"Oh, say anything. Count one, two, three, and up," murmured the intern, drowsily.

"Wan, two, three, four, five, six," began the patient. When the young doctor, with a start, opened his eyes, he was counting huskily, "Tin hundred an' sixty-nine, tin hundred an' sivinty, tin hundred an' sivinty-wan."—Christian Register.

Doctor: "I'll examine you carefully for \$10."

Weary Dreary: "All right, an' if you find it, give me half."—Eastern Star.

Casey's wife was at the hospital, where she had undergone a very serious operation a few days before.

Mrs. Kelly called to inquire as to Mrs. Casey's condition.

"Is she restin' quietly?" Mrs. Kelly asked.

"No; but I am," said Casey.—National Monthly.

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