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When the board of Trustees met there was shown by the majority of the members present, an unfriendly attitude towards athletics. And as before stated it was through the efforts of Dr. Winston that we are allowed to have a base ball team in the field.

No one denies that the conduct of some of our athletes, last season, was detrimental to the cause of athletics in the University. But we claim that these conditions are being removed. It was from the class of men who came here for athletic honors that our troubles came.

When our teams were composed of men whose purpose at the University was work no such trouble arose. It was for the love of the University that men went on the teams and not because it affords a prominence which can be used wantonly.

These conditions are being changed permanently. The aim of our teams is to win one great game. We have entered into an agreement with this institution which will cleanse our athletics of this spirit of professionalism. This step, together with the faculty restrictions, will remove the source from which has come most of our trouble. This being the case, why should athletics be restricted? Have not the conditions which made their removal a necessity been permanently remedied?

No one denies that the restrictions of athletics in the University will cause much dissatisfaction and we believe such a course will be injurious to a broad, healthy life.

The record of our base ball team is an evidence of pure athletics.

Let the system live and there will grow up a spirit similar to that exhibited before some important examination—a strict adherence to the requisites to success. Such an attainment will remove from us that annoyance which has caused so much comment of late.

The flagrant and uncalled-for exhibitions of assinnity that have recently occurred on the campus in the dead hours of the night, when all honest people were in bed, ought to be openly condemned by every self-respecting student in college.

There is perhaps some excuse for fire-works and powder explosions on holidays, especially among children, but if any one can offer a plausible argument to show why a University student is excusable for thus disturbing the peace of the University, such argument will be listened to with unabating curiosity. This unusual demonstration of disrespect towards fellow students, and espec-

ially toward those who are sick in our village is to be attributed to a few idle, thoughtless students—no not students but vagabonds, who should be transferred from the University to a reformatory. It is near examination period and it is unjust, and contrary to common decency that a few boys should be allowed to disturb sickness in town or work in college. This no is appeal to the moral sense of the offenders, but is an appeal to the offended as to whether they will allow such a disturbance to continue.

On Wednesday night last week President Winston asked the fraternity men to meet him in the History Room. The Doctor made a short talk about our conditions and gave the fraternities some excellent advice in regard to their actions.

As we all know, the Trustees passed a law regarding the Fraternities here, restricting their initiations till October of the Sophomore year. Dr. Winston explained that this law was passed not only to settle the discussion we have had in regard to the fraternities but, too, that it was passed in a friendly spirit and for, in their opinion, the best interests of the fraternities themselves. He then asked that the fraternities acquiesce in the law and carry it out in letter and in spirit.

While, at present, there are no indications that the fraternities will do otherwise than submit to the restrictions imposed, the advice given them was timely and full of wisdom.

We do not expect to see any trouble arise from the action of the Trustees as we believe the fraternities realize that there will be much good resulting therefrom, and will do their part towards removing any unpleasantness from our college life.

Also the President referred to the building of lodges as a step which would be good for the fraternities and beneficial to the University.

Several fraternities have plans on foot for the erection of lodges and we hope to see many pretty lodges erected in the near future.

We hope that all realize now that the much agitated question is settled, that all Fraternity men recognize the wisdom of the Trustees, that all who are not fraternity men recognize, as did the Trustees, the right of the Fraternity to exist and play their part in our life.

The dormitory at Tulane caught fire one morning last week. The fire was put out after it had consumed the third story. During the conflagration the girls stood upon the lawn, in front of the building and lamented the loss of precious gowns, packed in "Saratogas," which were stored in the ill-fated third story.

The Faculty of Washington and Jefferson College has refused to allow the base ball team to arrange a game with Pittsburg Athletic Club, and announce that hereafter athletic contests may only be held with teams connected with some institution of learning.

At the University of Nebraska it happened that a professor did not appear. The class appointed an instructor out of their number and went right ahead.

Ground has been broken up at Washington, D. C. for the erection of the first building in the group which will comprise "The American University." This is an enterprise under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and it is designed to create a great National University in the capital of the nation. This first building will be a Hall of History. The endowment and building fund have now reached such a stage that the projectors feel warranted in putting into execution their long-cherished plans.

At Princeton the cap and gown were prescribed by the college laws of 1768. Until 1873 they were used regularly at all college ceremonies and celebrations. The custom is now to be revived.

Several northern and western universities, have forbidden their teams to play any but college teams.

Yale has given the degree of Ph. D. to five Vassar graduates.

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At the recent semi-annual examinations at Annapolis forty eight men were found to be deficient and eighteen recommended to be dropped.



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