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## SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS TRAINING PROVES TO BE A BIG SUCCESS

The Baptist Executive Board, through its Student Department, and under the direction of the General Secretary, Dr. J. P. Boone, offered to the students of the West Texas State Normal College some special courses in religious training during the week of June 26 to July 2.

The program of this School of Religious Education consisted of courses in Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. methods and in Mission and Bible study. Lectures were also given each day at the chapel and Baptist Church.

Nearly a hundred students took advantage of this great opportunity to prepare themselves for efficient religious service to their church and community. In putting student secretaries in the schools, and by having Institutes during the regular and summer terms, the Board is trying to prepare the Baptist students for intelligent, consecrated church membership. Much progress has been made during the past two years in this direction under the leadership of Dr. Boone, and through the organization of the Baptist Student Union in all our schools in Texas, both state and denominational.

Miss Edna Graham, one of our Baptist faculty members, taught the Convention Normal Manual. So many requests have come in for additional courses in Sunday School methods that Miss Graham has agreed to arrange for another class before the end of the summer.

Dr. M. E. Davis, head of the Bible Department of the Howard-Payne College, taught the Bible student class. Dr. Davis made a great impression upon the students as a Bible student, and his course was very helpful. He also gave some splendid lectures, in addition to his teaching.

Miss Elva Fronabarger, student secretary for West Texas State Normal College, taught the B. Y. P. U. Manual, and will also give some additional courses in B. Y. P. U. methods during the summer.

Miss Alma Stack, student secretary for Howard-Payne, Simmons, and John Tarleton Colleges, arrived a few days before the opening of the school and rendered valuable assistance in enlisting the students. She taught Playing Square With Tomorrow, a mission study course. Her lectures were splendid and she had the largest enrollment.

Mr. J. N. Rayzor, a prominent layman of Denton, Texas, opened the school with his lectures Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist Church. Great crowds of students heard him, and greatly enjoyed his masterly addresses on Stewardship. Miss Fronabarger has on sale an excellent book on Stewardship, written by Mr. Rayzor, and would like for every Baptist student to obtain one.

The following prominent Baptist speakers gave lectures at the chapel and church every day: Rev. H. J. Matthews, pastor of the Baptist church at Plainview, Dr. M. E. Davis of Howard-Payne College, Dr. McIver Woody, Dean of Baylor Medical College at Dallas, and Dr. H. W. Virgin, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Amarillo. These lectures were on subjects which should be very helpful to the personal life of a college student.

The doctors of Canyon honored Dr. Woody with a luncheon on Thursday of his visit to Canyon.

The Baptist Executive Board greatly appreciates the courtesy of President Hill and Dean Allen in allowing this school to be held in the Normal building, because it added greatly to the success of the meeting, and to the convenience of those who attended.

## Three Injured In Car Wreck

As a result of a car wreck Saturday morning, two miles north of Canyon on the Amarillo road, two lady members of the Normal College faculty and one student are slightly injured. Miss Malone, Librarian, who received slight injuries about the face is in the College Infirmary. Miss Annie McDonald, a faculty member, and Miss Eva Killough, a student, are also slightly wounded.

The car, driven by Miss McDonald, ran off the temporary bridge at the foot of the big hill two miles north of town and turned over on the occupants. The car was a new Studebaker and was badly wrecked.

## "Nothing Like it in the Entire U. S." —It's Cousins Hall

Miss Carney of Columbia University visited Canyon during the Panhandle Teachers Consolidated Institute last September.

In the course of a lecture to her class in Columbia Miss Carney remarked that she had traveled all over the United States and visited scores of schools with dormitories, but had found none that would compare with Cousins Hall at the West Texas State Normal College at Canyon, Texas.

Miss Edna Graham and Mrs. Otto Hanscom were in the class when Miss Carney made this statement.

## Former Student Withdraws From County Attorney Race

William W. Gibson, a graduate of the W. T. S. N. C. and of the University of Texas Law School, has withdrawn his candidacy for the office of County Attorney of Nolan County. He was in Canyon last Sunday and announced that in the future he would be connected with the Miller and Jones law firm in Amarillo.

## Teachers From 21 Counties Come To the Institute

H. W. Morelock, Conductor of the Teachers' Consolidated Institute, has sent out announcements this week regarding the Institute which will be held in Canyon September 4 to 8.

There are twenty-one counties in the Institute as follows:

Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Gray, Hale, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lamb, Moore, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler. The faculty is as follows:

1. Dr. Thomas Alexander, Professor of Elementary Education, George Peabody College for Teachers, one of the South's most distinguished educators, will conduct the Intermediate Grade Section.

2. Dr. C. A. Phillips, Dean of the Warrensburg, Mo., State Normal College, a recognized leader in his own State and well known throughout the South, will have charge of the Rural School Section.

3. Professor W. H. Carothers of the Department of Education, Emporia, Kansas, State Normal College, who comes highly recommended as an expert in problems of the high school, will conduct the High School Section.

4. Two Expert Primary Teachers: one for the kindergarten and the first and second grades, and one for the third and fourth grades.

Departmental work will be conducted by:

1. English: (a) In the Primary Grades; (b) In the High School.—H. W. Morelock.

2. History: (a) In the Elementary Grades; (b) In the High School.—L. F. Sheffy.

3. Mathematics: (a) In the Elementary Grades; (b) In the High School.—Miss Edna Graham.

Special features are announced as:

1. An entertainment of the Teachers by the College and the citizens of the town.
2. Library and Natatorium open daily.
3. Daily lectures by eminent school authorities.
4. A time and place provided on the program each day for the meeting of teachers in each county and the meeting of city superintendents with their teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Cockrell of Amarillo and their guest, Miss Malone of Dallas, have been attending the series of lectures given at the College by Dr. Edward Howard Griggs. Mr. and Mrs. Cockrell and Miss Malone have been the guests of Miss Pinkston.

## GRABBERS WIN FIRST HALF OF SEASON

TURNER OF AMARILLO PITCHES TEAM TO VICTORY

The climax of the first half of the Summer School League series was reached last Wednesday afternoon when the Grabbers won their third game of the series over the Athletics. The Grabbers went through the series undefeated, although the Sluggers pushed them for front rank. Next week the second half of the series will begin.

Grabbers Down Sluggers

The best game the Summer League has yet staged was played Wednesday the 28th between the Grabbers and the Sluggers. The game was "nip and tuck" from start to finish. Several times during the contest it seemed that one team or the other had the game "sewed up," and a tie score made an extra inning necessary.

Turner, the Grabber pitcher, practically won his own game with two homers scoring four runs. Both hurlers pitched a good game, but Thurman's team failed to back him. An error in left field let in the winning run for the Grabbers.

Batteries: Grabbers, Turner and King; Sluggers, Thurman and Johnson.

Score 8 to 7.

Pirates Lose to Athletics

The Pirate-Athletic mixture proved to be a good ball game. The threatening weather caused a scarcity of fans but had little effect on the ball game.

Kingrey, the Pirate twirler again hit a snag of poor support and lost a game that should have been his.

Whittington, pitching for the Athletics, received excellent support in the pinches, and the hitting of his team mates gave him a 3 to 2 victory. A large number of errors on the part of the Pirates helped him considerably.

Batteries: Athletics, Whittington and Key; Pirates, Kingrey and Lockhart.

Score 3 to 2.

Grabbers Cinch Pennant

Many fans predicted that the Grabber-Athletic game would prove a bitter dose for the Grabbers, but good luck and their better pitcher made a win comparative easy. If Turner had received the best of support from his team, he might have had a shut-out game to his credit. All of the three runs scored by the Athletics were results of errors. This game gave the Grabbers a cinch on the pennant for the first half of the summer baseball season.

Batteries: Grabbers, Turner and King; Athletics, Whittington and Key.

Score 5 to 3.

## President Hill In Northeast

For the past two weeks President J. A. Hill has been visiting the principal cities of the Northeast. He has visited Chicago, the Niagara Falls, Montreal, Canada, and is now attending the National Educational Association in its annual meeting which is being held at Boston this year.

He is to return by way of New York City, Philadelphia, and Washington, D. C. Before returning he purposes to visit several of the larger universities in the above mentioned cities.

## FRANK DAY APPOINTED COUNTY ATTORNEY

Frank R. Day, a graduate of the West Texas State Normal College and of the Law School of the University of Texas has been appointed to the office of County Attorney of Hale County. Day was already a candidate for that office for the coming term and was appointed to fill the unexpired term of another man.

## Cousins Hall Receives Baby Grand Piano

The new piano recently ordered by the College for the Cousins Hall reception room has arrived. The piano is one of the very best that could be purchased, it being a \$1340 Baby Grand Steinway. The piano is finished in mahogany and matches the other furniture of the reception room very well.

## FORMER STUDENT TO HEAD SCHOOL IN PORTO RICO

SISTER OF COLLEGE LIBRARIAN HERE IN 1913-1914.

Miss Fannie Malone, instructor in Spanish at the University of Akron, has accepted a position as director of a girl's school on the island of Porto Rico. She will leave to take up her new duties the latter part of August.

Before coming to the local university, Miss Malone spent a year in Spain, studying the Spanish language, and learning the customs of the Spaniards. Before that time she spent a period of eight years generally as supervisor of girls' schools in different parts of Mexico.

Miss Malone says that she would rather teach in a foreign land because the students there are in earnest about their work; they want to learn; while the average American boy or girl must be driven to his class work.

"The natives admire the Americans. They think that we all know so much, and that we are all rich. They want to learn so that they, too, can become rich," said Miss Malone.

The school is called the Blanche Kellogg Institute, and is supported by the Congregational church. It was established some time ago for the purpose of teaching Porto Rican girls how to make clean, healthy and decent homes to live in. The girls are taught to speak English in the public schools, but are not taught habits of cleanliness, nor how to make their homes more attractive. The lives of most of the natives are sordid and uninteresting; the school will teach some of the girls how to go into their homes and make them attractive, and they will carry the teaching on to their children, were some of the statements of Miss Malone.

She will not do any teaching herself, but will be assisted by four American teachers. Her work will be entirely supervision. The school has an enrollment of 28 girls, all native Porto Ricans. Their work will be in the nature of a Junior College course. Courses in home economics, practical housekeeping and sewing will be taught in addition to regular subjects.

After leaving the university, Miss Malone will spend the first summer term at the University of Chicago, specializing in French. She will then visit her family in Dallas, Texas, and from there immediately proceed to Porto Rico. Miss Malone will personally hire the four teachers who will assist her.—Akron Evening Times.

## Charles Keffer Joins Amarillo Law Firm

Charles Keffer, Class of '19, who also graduated from the University of Texas Law School, has been admitted to the bar and is now practicing law in Amarillo. He is associated with the firm of Adkins and Kimbrough.

## SCURRY COUNTY CLUB

With a membership of over thirty, the Scurry County students organized the Scurry County Club on last Monday at 1:00 p. m. Miss Lois Johnston was elected president, Roy Golden, vice-president, and Hattie Ditto, secretary-treasurer.

The club went on a picnic to the creek north of town Friday afternoon at 5 p. m.

## KEFFER-EASLEY

According to reports received in Canyon, Mr. Lot Keffer and Miss Billie Easley were united in marriage at Lipscomb some time week before last. Both Mr. Keffer and Miss Easley are former students of this institution and are held in very high esteem by many friends connected with the Alma Mater.

## Deskins Wells on "The Daily Texan" Staff

The name of Deskins Wells appears on the Editorial Staff of "The Daily Texan," the University of Texas newspaper. Wells attended the West Texas State Normal College in 1920-21 and was a member of the basketball and tennis teams of that year. He is now a Junior in the University.

## DR. EDWARD HOWARD GRIGGS LECTURES TO W. T. S. N. C. STUDENTS

We have been very fortunate in having with us this week Dr. Edward Howard Griggs, renowned lecturer and writer, who comes to us direct from the teacher's college at Greeley, Colorado. The first of his series of lectures was given in chapel July third. The subject was "The Aim of Life." In this lecture Dr. Griggs declared, "the same virtue is demanded in organized society as is demanded in personal life. When the same relations exist between nations as exist between individuals, we shall have gone a long way in solving our problem." In this first lecture Dr. Griggs discussed personality in its relation to the problems of personal life. He said, "Personality is constantly changing in two lines: expansion and higher integration." As an example of the first rise of altruism in primitive man, Dr. Griggs cited the expansion of the mother's personality into a desire to protect and cherish her young. He stated further that the individual goes through the same altruistic experience as the race, beginning with very little extension of personality. "In the development of personality," said Dr. Griggs, "the substitution of aim in place of immediate desire is important; and the aim should be big enough to integrate in an unfolding process." He pointed out that care should be taken in choosing this aim, since even a bad or low aim will integrate action. Dr. Griggs concluded his lecture by saying, "The active life is largely for the sake of the spiritual life. The activity of loving is necessary to spiritual growth. The true service of others is the challenging service which helps them to climb."

Dr. Griggs' lecture of July fifth dealt with Self-Culture and Social Service Through the Vocation. He said, "Work and love are the greatest school masters of our lives. The aspects of our personal life are: work, love, education, and religion." In discussing the vocation as an open pathway of life, Dr. Griggs said, "If you are an honest man, you wish to pay your way. If not, you are a pauper or a thief. One of the ways of self-realization is through vocation. To-day we reverence people only as they serve. To make a living is only the preliminary aim of vocation. We must build the foundation and erect the superstructure before the curtain falls." Dr. Griggs said further, "Dreams are unlimited; accomplishment is definitely limited. When you construct the fragmentary part of the dream, you are the master of the dream and the idea. Art—one of the ways of life—is the freest vocation on earth. And yet, how poor is Art beside life!" Dr. Griggs concluded this, his second lecture, by a discussion of loyalty to the task in hand. He said, "The basis of culture is loyalty to the task in hand. Growth is impossible in every honest vocation. To possess money you must earn it; to possess knowledge you must earn knowledge. The man who looks down on his job will find it slipping away from him."

Dr. Griggs, in his lecture of July sixth, discussed the problem of personal relationships in its various aspects, showing that it was a second open pathway of life. He pointed out that to understand anything one must have lived something. He declared that life is a series of adjustments—of the adjustment of one will and personality to another will and personality. He said, "Friendship is a challenge, searching down into what one has been. Its basis is moral sincerity and it is in this phase of personal relationship that we exert our deepest influence. For deep friendship there must be a wide range of common interests. The more different two people are, the more they have to give each other. Common experience is a bond of friendship." Concerning Marriage, Dr. Griggs said, "Marriage is the supreme challenge and demands frank facing of reality. The instincts of jealousy and revenge in primitive times were virtues; now they are vices. Jealousy and love are moral opposites." Dr. Griggs said that although sex was the old biological and physiological basis of marriage, the basis reached by evolution is a common intellectual, aesthetic, and moral life.

The subject of Dr. Griggs' lecture of July seventh was Culture in the Margin of Life, in which he dealt with love and work as two open paths of life. He declared, "The results which different persons get out of the same

opportunities are surprising. We have to accept the capital we bring into the world and make the best of it. If you increase your capital just a little, you turn the scales. You can not begin to be economical unless you have money ahead." In speaking of the difference between a capital of time and a capital of money Dr. Griggs said, "If you want to save money, you must not spend it; if you want to save your time you must spend it. In the case our margin-time we are absolutely free." In discussing intellectual growth Dr. Griggs said, "We grow not by addition but by multiplication—morally and intellectually. One new idea makes all others different in relation to it." Dr. Griggs pointed out that it is only as the water goes over the mill wheel of life that we can use it. We live only one moment at a time and balanced action is life. Play, he maintained, is the one perfect form of action, and conversation may be termed a form of social play. Dr. Griggs revealed the difference between the common man and the genius when he said, "Everybody knows the open secrets of life; the genius applies them." He brought his lecture to a close with these words, "Wisdom may be said to be seeing life steadily and whole; virtue, as truly then, is living life steadily and whole."

The subject of Dr. Griggs' lecture of July eighth was "The Modern Religious Problem." In his discussion Dr. Griggs said, "Our pursuit of culture always rests on something fundamental. Carlyle said, 'A man's religion is the most important thing about him.' Belief is never a matter of indifference. The adjustment to the universe is always personal." In speaking of the close relation between religion and conduct the lecturer said, "Religion is the soul; conduct is the body. What you really believe has a far deeper hold on you than what you think you believe. What you fundamentally believe molds every detail of action." In closing Dr. Griggs re-emphasized the fact that in everything concerning man there is growth—that nothing can stand still, and indicated the relation of this fact to the problem of religion.

We have enjoyed Dr. Griggs' lectures whole-heartily. The quiet grip of his personality, the sincerity and high intellectual and moral tone of his lectures we feel have helped us as a school to a better understanding of the problems of personal living and to a better conception of how to deal with them.

(Note: A summary of the evening lectures will be given in the next issue of "The Prairie.")

## Edward Brigham Recital Pleases

The second number of the Musical Artists' Course was given Friday evening, June 30, in the college auditorium. This was a Song and Dramatic Recital by Edward Brigham, one of the foremost recitalists of today. Not only is Mr. Brigham a wonderful dramatic reader and an extraordinary basso-profundo, but he is also an exceptionally good pianist.

The program consisted of songs, recitations, and recitations with music and was highly pleasing to the audience. Many encores were demanded, which were graciously given by Mr. Brigham.

It is the wish of all who were fortunate enough to hear this program that we may have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Brigham again soon.

## "Nothing But The Truth" Pleases

On Tuesday evening, June 27, in the Normal College auditorium, the Commencement play, "Nothing But the Truth," was repeated for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. The players showed excellent talent and each character proved his ability as an actor. If extra praise is given to any one character it should fall to Hubert Hamill, who revealed to all, in a very pleasing manner, the possibility and value of telling "nothing but the truth." People who had seen the play before greatly enjoyed seeing it repeated. A total of \$137.00 was cleared from the play which money will be divided between the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A's.



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### CULTURAL UPLIFT

One of the great tragedies of the present age is its prosaic sordidness, its disbelief in the practical value of the spiritual side of life. As Wadsworth would say:

"The world is too much with us;  
late and soon.

Getting and spending, we lay waste  
our powers;

Little we see in Nature that is ours;  
We have given our hearts away, a  
sordid boon!"

We are too well satisfied with that life which has a respectable veneer; in our restless endeavor to achieve the specious, we have forgotten that "Art is long and Time is fleeting," "that work without the spirit is vain."

Above this chorus of voices clamoring for that life which has only a bread and butter value, it is comforting to listen to a great scholar gifted in powers of heart and mind expound that wiser philosophy which recognizes that all physical life not diseased must inevitably flower into some form of culture.

The series of lectures which Doctor Edward Howard Griggs has been delivering during the past week on the subject of "Culture and the Human Spirit" has been scholarly and illuminating. And while every lecture views life from the mountain tops, they all bring down the heights great truths in their vital relation to man in the grind and routine of his daily toils. As for me, these lectures have pushed back my mental horizon; they have stimulated me with a greater desire to know more of "the untraveled world;" they have strengthened the conviction that it is only through the finite that we can rise to the infinite.

### TRAINING FOR EDUCATION

Sitting in the smoking compartment of a Pullman car, the fat man was talking. "The trouble with colleges today is that they don't turn out enough men who know anything. The educational system of today does not give a man or woman any specific information that can be used in the practical business world."

"But how about poets and artists and such men?"—this from the little man in the corner near the washbasin. "A scientific or business education won't help them any." A snort from the first speaker was his only response.

Then the tall man, wearing glasses, with an academic stoop to his powerful frame, decided to break the silence: "Haven't you gentlemen something of a misconception of what college education really is?" Inquiry showed that neither of the former speakers was a college graduate. "It seems to me that the real purpose of higher education is not so much to give young people facts and data as it is to broaden their lives so that from a cultural and even esthetic point of view, life shall be more worth living."

And after all, the latter was right. A technical education, essential as it is, is only a means to the end of a fuller life. But the man or woman who allows the routine and detail of a technical, or any kind of training, supplant the desire for a quest of knowledge, is lost in a world of figures and facts.—University of Cincinnati News.

Down on the basement floor are well equipped locker rooms for the disposal of such articles as the students, upon arriving at the building, find an encumbrance to their work. But if you pass down the corridors, you surmise that some are evidently ignorant of this fact. Caps, hats and books unbecomingly decorate the halls. Such practice deprives a student body of their self-respect and dignity, and characterizes a thoughtless and negligent group of students. Not only that, but it is also a dishonorable act towards our Alma Mater.—C. T.

This is simply to call attention to the fact that Chapel exercises are still being held. The time is from 9:30 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.

### RIGHTS OF OTHERS

Respect for the rights of others is a fundamental principle of democracy and, we might say, of decency. There is no other place where personal rights are so ruthlessly trampled upon as at public entertainments. It is taken for granted that those who attend such places want to see and hear, but how often the whole evening is ruined for some by those who exercise their own personal rights to whisper, laugh, and giggle. Thoughtlessness is at the root of most rudeness, but it is inexcusable in people of refinement. It is positively painful to a sympathetic listener to have a sublime musical number or a literary masterpiece jarred by an undercurrent of commonplace gabbling. The ones who do the gabbling advertise the fact that they are either rude or unappreciative of things worth while. Either of these faults can and must be overcome if we wish to be people of culture.

The world is growing more helpful. Nearly every college and university now has a student's loan fund, contributed by philanthropic persons, to assist poor boys and girls to get educations. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martin of Plainview have contributed \$2,500 to such a fund at Canyon Normal. The Rotary Club furnishes a \$150 scholarship as a gift in Wayland College each year to some deserving boy or girl graduate of Plainview high school. A million dollar fund is being raised by former students of Texas A. & M. College to loan to students who can't otherwise finish their education in that institution. Never before in history were people giving so liberally to help others. Yes, the world is growing better.—Plainview News.

There are "Alocoholic Blues" and "Broadway Blues," "Yellow Dog Blues" and "Wang-Wang Blues," "Wabash Blues" and "Rainy Day Blues," "Profiteering Blues" and "Paradise Blues," "Money Blues" and "Nigger Blues;" but the blues that most Summer School students have is the "Homesickness Blues."

Cheer up! The worst is yet to come.—Final Exams.

### "LEST YOU FORGET"

Just a small roll of paper, neatly tied with narrow ribbons of white and crimson, with a few words written within—this is the reward for your months of regular, earnest effort, and even sacrifice, perhaps. All the year you looked toward this occasion with pleasure. But as the time grew near, you began to realize that you must soon leave the haunts now grown so dear. If we, "The Prairie" staff, were limited to one wish in your behalf, it would be this—that you always respect, cherish, and follow the impulses you felt, and the resolutions you made in parting with your Alma Mater.—The Prairie, West Texas State Normal College, Canyon.

Commencement time is one of the turning points in the lives of any young man or woman. It is true that any student looks forward with pleasure to the time when he shall receive the coveted "sheep skin" and then go forward to "conquer the world." College and university graduates are buoyant and sometimes are too much that way. The difference of two or three or four years in an education is not sufficient to make them succeed so much more rapidly than the one who has not had the collegiate training. College men and women too often expect to succeed without going through the period of practical training and hard knocks. They just can't do it. Their training should enable them to meet the emergencies, but they will come just as surely in the life of the college graduate as they will for the person who never went beyond the "little red school house." The great advantage of the college training is that it teaches the student to realize some of the fundamental things of life. Emphasis in a college should be placed upon the deeper things so as to enable the graduate to realize that he can make a success without necessarily becoming rich in worldly goods.—Amarillo Daily News.

### INTELLIGENT REMARKS FOUND IN THE EXCHANGES

In the ballroom nowadays one would think he was at a seashore.

What a woman says goes. Why not try it on a stalled auto?

My Dad seems to be thoroughly convinced that since I came to college, the only thing I've done has been him.—A Stude.

Freshmen coming with woeful looks from history exam: "Gee, history certainly didn't repeat itself to me."

Our freshman flapper says that she knows that she's going to bust all her courses, because the July sun is playing heck with her complexion.

### GRUFF 'GRAFFS

(Edited by Lynn C. Doyle)

Write a big "Gruff 'Graff"  
For "The Prairie" staff—  
A limerick to coax a smile;  
Just scatter the chaff that  
Will start a good laugh,  
And we'll let you alone for a while!

We have lots of clubs, the Buffaloes make plenty of glee—why not put the two together in a corking good Glee Club next fall? We repeat, WHY NOT?

A noted scientist asserts that the average man is mentally eleven years old. At that rate we ought to be qualified to deliver a commencement address to the kindergarten a few years hence.

Not that its any of our business, but we wonder what "Tennis Court Oath" Professor Dudley uses when its a "love" game.

Personally, we like the Summer School folks about as well as anyone we know, but the few remaining university intellectuals think that the campus is all littered up with unsympathetic souls.—Daily Texan.

There lived a young student of twenty;  
Of trouble our friend had a plenty,  
But he joined the "Y,"  
And that is the "why"  
That life is so worth-while to "20."

Now of course we really shouldn't tell it, but the other afternoon while Ye Ed was awaiting his consignment of letters, bills, et cetera, an amusing incident happened. One of our bright little bits of femininity breezed in and began tugging at her mail box door. But the box had changed its combination. Still our little friend persisted, with growing ire. At last she stamped her foot in disgust and turned about with evident intention of telling our Post Master a thing or two. But in turning she bumped squarely into the big wooden column behind her.

"O-o-oo! I beg your pardon, sir!" she said apologetically, turning her soulful eyes full upon "him."

But Mr. Column said not a word.

### YE OLD TIME BIG GAME HUNT COMES OFF DURING CLASS

In the noon session of the Physics I class yesterday, the class was suddenly startled by the arousal of one of the back row sleepers, who awoke with a start, threw his "Spinney" out the window and then sank sheepishly into his seat.

When questioned about the incident after the class was dismissed the sleepy-eyed one defending himself with the plea that he was dreaming and did not know what he was doing.

It seems that the instructor in the early morning class had impressed the class with the dire results which would accrue to a person standing on the equator with the earth turning seventeen times as fast as it normally does. The student was so impressed with the lesson that he was thinking about it when he went to the next class.

He paid little attention to what the instructor was saying, and the drone of the prof's voice soon changed to the swish of the tropical trees as he explored the jungles for big game. As he wove his way up the crooked path a breeze sprang up from the east. An invisible voice told him that the earth was beginning to move faster, and he wondered if the heat was affecting his mind.

After a short time the voice informed him that the earth was moving ten times as fast as it usually did. When he was told that the speed had increased to seventeen times normal he became frightened and attempted to jump across a deep ravine on the other side of which he believed he would find safety. Instead of landing he remained in the air. In his agitation he threw his gun from him, and at that time he awoke to find the whole class staring at him curiously.—Daily Texan.

### AN IDEAL EXAM

1. (a) Folies Bergere; (b) Pre Catalan; (c) three other places where you can get it.

2. Identify and differentiate between Babe Ruth and Babe La Tour; John Barleycorn and John Barrymore; Georges Clemenceau and Georges Carpentier.

3. Quote a stanza from your favorite song.

4. What is a flapper?

5. Contrast the Polo Grounds and the Winter Garden.

6. Define the following terms: bimbo, dumbbell, oiled, upstage, necker.

7. Describe in detail Put and Take. (Diagrams).

8. Discuss recent tendencies in the price of liquor. Advance a possible cause for the rise.

9. Trace the evolution of the Camel Walk.

10. Name your favorite comic weekly, including two of its artists in addition to Orson Lowell.—Exchange.

### TEXAS

The following is the product of the pen of Mr. Otis L. Vaden, of Temple, Texas, a former student of Abilene Christian College:

Texas occupies all the continent of North America, except for the fractional part set aside for the United States, Canada and other countries. It is bounded on the North and East by several states, on the South by the Gulf of Mexico and the land of the Montezumas, and on the west by some more states, the milky way and the sidereal universe.

It is 150 miles further from El Paso to Texarkana than from Chicago to New York, and Fort Worth is nearer to Minneapolis than to Brownsville.

Texas has enough land to supply every man, woman and child in the world with a lot 5x20 feet and enough left over for the armies of the world to march around five abreast, on her borders. In parts of Texas it is fashionable to have your front gate 18 miles from your front door. One Texan has forty miles of navigable water on his farm; others have whole mountain ranges and rivers on their ranches. A travelling man drove 75 miles on a straight line with a ranchman and did not get off his land.

The United States with Texas off would look like a three-legged Boston terrier.

Texans are proud of Texas. A map of it is photographed on his brain; it is also on his heart.

Formerly the chief pursuit of the people of Texas was Mexicans; now it is land buyers, crop and live stock records.

Three states have more land in cultivation, but Texas is the only state that ever produces a billion dollar crop, and in the past ten years average, Texas has led every state in the union. If the proportion of land cultivated in Texas was as great as in Illinois, its crops would out yield a dozen or twenty states.

If one year's cotton crop was made into one mattress, all the people in the world could take a nap on it at the same time.

If all the hogs in Texas were in one big hog, it could dig the Panama Canal in three roots.

If all the steers in Texas were in one steer, it could stand with its front feet in the Gulf of Mexico, one hind foot in the Hudson Bay and another in the Arctic Ocean, punch holes in the clouds with his horns, and with his tail brush the mist off the Aurora Borealis.

Texas is just as intense as it is big. There is one place 200 miles wide that has every kind of average rainfall found between Omaha and Boston; in one corner of this section are mountains as high as the Adirondaks and interlined with streams, made rugged with gorges, and health producing ozone. It has so much healthy air, fine water, good roads, delightful climate, so many possibilities for farming, hunting, fishing, autoing, making money, for taking in full breaths amid flowers and sunshine, for making the years full of joy of living and so many people ready to join in a hearty handshake, one just can't keep from talking about it.—Otis L. Vaden in The Optimist.

### REMARKABLE REMARKS

Socrates—"Gosh, all hemlock!"

Noah—"Two of a kind!"

Jonah—"Hope everything comes out all right!"

Eve—"I'll bite!"

Henry VIII—"Here's where I get ahead of Ann Boleyn!"

Cleopatra—"Stung again!"

Samson—"I guess I brought down the house!"

Rebecca—"Well, well!"

St. Vitus—"On with the dance!"

—Virginia Reel.

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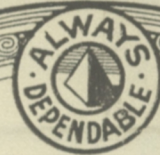
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About three years ago it was my good fortune to idle away two weeks in and about Niece, France, a town situated among rolling hills on the Northern coast of the Mediterranean Sea. This particular part of France, including Cannes and the province of Monaco, is appropriately called, The Riviera, a name which through its association, means beauty.

I arrived at Niece in the night time; there was nothing for me to do but go to bed and get a good night's rest in order that I might be able to enjoy the scenery in the early morning.

The next day, after I had finished my breakfast, I started out to enjoy the artistic beauty. I had gone only a little distance when my attention was attracted by the tolling of the church bells. Instinctively I followed the sound of the chimes through the narrow cobblestone streets, past the great Casino that is standing in the fork of the V-shaped beach, and on past long rows of quaint, but picturesque houses to the summit of the city. Here I beheld an old Cathedral, the source, of inspiration for thousands that had been there before me.

As I entered through those great

iron doors, the music ceased; a silence prevailed as if, "the angels stopped to listen." For a moment I stood and looked with rapture upon the magnificent picture before me,—the majestic columns, vainscoated long before the French Revolution; the gorgeous chandeliers filled with lighted candles, swinging (x) and fro, illuminating the long dim corridors that had been worn down by the countless multitudes of worshippers who had knelt before the shrine to do homage to their creed.

After the services were over, I returned to my hotel wondering, if it could be possible for a nation that holds such reverence for the One Divine, to pass to the great beyond only to be remembered on a few written pages of history.

The day following I visited the island of St. Honorat, three miles from the shore. This island is noted in history. It was named for the monk, St. Honorat, who founded a monastery there which stands to-day as a memorial to him. It is said that St. Patrie received his education from this wonderful man in this institution. The island was also used for a fortification until modern invention rendered it inefficient. The old fort stands high above the level of the sea, where it has defied the storms of time since before the days of Caesar.

If space were not limited I should like to describe my trip to Grass, the largest flower garden in the world, where most of the sweet perfume is manufactured. Also Monte Carlo and the Marine Museum must be slighted, together with Hannibal's trail that winds its way to the summit of the Alps and down to the fertile fields of Italy.

—C. R. De A.

## THE PASSING OF THE ICE

The ice is going out! We catch sight of an immense floe as it rounds the bend far above the "Upper Bridge." With great effort the current drags the ice along, drawing it out of the detaching eddies, and shoving it under great willow trees, which spread out broad branches, like grappling hooks, to impede the progress of the floe.

The great island of ice slowly swings between two piers, cracking off great chunks, as it forces its way between the narrow passage. It slowly breaks away from the cross-currents about the bridge and the rust from the dam grasps it. We see it lumber-

ing down upon us with all the force of a charging bull.

By the time the ice reaches the "Lower Bridge" it has gathered such velocity that it shoulders its way between the piers, hardly impeded by the glancing blow it receives.

We run to the other side of the bridge to see the floe emerge from underneath and plunge over the dam. It is buried from sight, and vainly we watch for it to reappear. At last we are rewarded, and we see the floe jump from the surface of the water. No longer is it large, personifying power and pride, but it is a mass of splintered ice, tossed about at will by the all powerful water.

—H. H.

## ON BOBBED HAIR

An epidemic of bobbed hair has been sweeping over the land. It invades alike the palace and the hovel; its victims are both the matron and the maid. Alike the idle flapper and the dignified college instructor bow down before it. Unlike most epidemics, it bears no trait of death and sorrow; instead there follow in its wake peans of rejoicing. Then, on with the bobbed hair!

"Alas!" sighs the man, "How couldst thou part with that which is the crowning glory of Womanhood?" Ah! stupid man, crowns are passe. They were fashionable back in the Dark Ages.

Many a woman not so old, but bordering on the lack-lustre years, has found, in this happy fad, the fountain of youth. To many a maid not yet old enough to make her debut, have been ascribed the dignity and propriety of young ladyship, just because bobbed hair made her age an uncertainty.

Someone has said that woman's eternal problem was to keep man guessing, and here is the solution. Bob your hair and see if they will not all be wondering, "Is she fifteen or is she thirty-five?"

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—V. W.

Miss Enla Read, who is a student in the Normal College, spent the Fourth of July in Hale Center.

## THE SOURCE OF MY MATERIAL FOR "THOUGHTS"

When and where did I get my ideas that grew and blossomed in to "THOUGHTS?"

Oh, for many and many a day, and from many and many a place they were gathered and stored away. Quietly they lay sleeping until a question

Reached those slumbering thoughts of mine. Aroused them from their lethargy, Shook them into action, Forced them in self defense To speak aloud and proclaim, We live, though we have slept.

Where did I get my material?

I drew it from those around me, The living who have passed before my eyes.

For among them I saw three great classes

Whose thoughts were wrapped up and hidden from the knowledge of men. Because of heedlessness, or fear to trust themselves.

Clinging always to others, Never marking out a path unaided; Not because they could not, But because, not knowing their own ability,

They left others to guide, and followed instead.

As there are three classes that take only the three paths others have trod,

So there are three giants that drive them like frightened sheep before a snowstorm;

But as the shepherd finds his sheep and leads them to the fold,

So will service for those we love lead us out and beyond the beaten paths to strange, wide, happy paths.

## THOUGHTS

There are many thoughts in many persons—

Thoughts that were planted by many an ancestor,

To grow and bear fruitage in this world;

Yet thoughts that lie choked and smothered,

Dying without their service being performed,

Neglected, uncared for by their keepers;

The keepers who seek the flowered phantom walk of pleasures

Where friends without aim, hope, or desire to add to the world's great storehouse,

Take greedily from everything within their grasp that promises a few hours of delight,

Then when new illusions appear to them drop all to receive the new;

The keepers who walk with the burden of living weighing them down, Seeing only the weeks making years, years of weeks spent in the struggle to win over drudgery;

Fearing that misfortune will overthrow their endeavors,

Binding their spirits with chains wrought from the thoughts of their fears;

The keepers who hear faintly the feeble breathing of their locked thoughts,

Deny them the right to grow and develop, lest they be an echo of some thought long ago spoken,

Forgetting that their bodies live because of the food and clothing contributed by numberless men,

To these keepers of thoughts, "come, O vision of service!"

Whisper faith to the keepers who allow distrust to seal their thoughts from all,

That they may open their lips and sing. Charm the keepers who fear the unknown future and, fearing, sink down voiceless,

That they may build such foundations that the beholder shall know life was made for beauty, for work, for growth,

Guide the keepers who stroll among the artificial paths of pleasure

That they may know that true pleasure is never gained when pursued, But the deepest joy comes from work that adds to the treasures of others.

—V. A.

## ON THE GIVING OF GIFTS

I sometimes want to give a gift To people who are grown— A book or pipe or trifling thing I think they'd like to own.

I like to see them smile and say What pleasure it has brought; And know that I have given them The happiness I sought.

But best of all I like to give A little child a gift; And see the happy little face A-lighting up so swift!

I like to see delighted looks On faces free of guile— I give a little child a gift To see it smile a while!

—N. M.

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Our crowd "may be little but it is loud." Beware!

**NEWS ITEMS**

Charles Langford of Denton, Texas, visited friends in Canyon last week.

Robert Hill was called to Ft. Worth last week by the Government Medical Board.

Law Sone visited friends in Canyon Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Small and daughter, Nell, visited in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. Fred Ives, a former Agricultural instructor of the Normal College, has sold his home to Mr. Ray Campbell.

Glen Wilson, Robert Corder, J. B. Allen and Calvern Henry visited in Lockney during the past week.

Miss May Fulbright, a student of the Normal College, spent the past week with her uncle, Mr. J. F. Shaffer of Teline.

Miss Elizabeth Benton spent the week end with her parents in Amarillo.

Miss Birdie Lou Lane of Wayside, a former student of the College, visited friends here Monday.

Miss Victoria Wilson, Messrs. Bill Lewis, Lewis Hill, and Horace Helton, former students of the Normal College, visited Canyon during the Rodeo.

Miss Emma Condon, a former student of the Normal College, left for her home Saturday.

Mrs. Stoker of California spent Saturday with Mrs. Blackburn.

Miss Grace Evans of Abernathy has been visiting her two sisters, Helen and Mary Evans, for the past three days.

Mrs. Amsler and little son, Robert, who have been visiting Mrs. Witt of Cousins Hall, have returned to their home at McGregor, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell and daughter, Ouida, visited their daughter and sister, Mary Campbell, last week.

Mr. Leonard Herral, assistant cashier of Abernathy Bank, has been spending his vacation with friends in Canyon.

Miss Golda Jones of Lubbock spent the Fourth of July with her sister, Rosa Mary Jones.

Ira Younger, a former student of the Normal College, has returned to Canyon to stay. For several years he has been in the service of the United States Government.

Miss Johnnie Maud Taylor, who is attending the Normal College, was called to her home at Ft. Worth last week on account of the illness of her grandmother.

July 4th the Cousins Hall girls celebrated with a lovely dinner. The tables were decorated with red, white, and blue flowers, and above each table was a small flag of tricolor. The menu was veal loaf, creamed potatoes, pickles, banana salad, wafers, finger rolls, butter, cherry cream and cake, and coffee.

The Senior girls went to the canyons the afternoon of the Fourth and had a delightful picnic. There were lots of eats and much fun among the crowd, and everyone reported a good time.

Maple Gray, who attended the Normal College several years ago, was in Canyon July 4.

Carl Maurer, a former student, visited friends in Canyon last Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. H. T. Tate of Washington, D. C., arrived in Canyon last Saturday and is visiting her sister, Miss Ritchie, Dean of the Normal School.

Miss Altra Bowman, kindergarten teacher, spent July 4th at her home in Fort Worth.

Sam Steele of Groom, a former student, was in Canyon during the Rodeo.

**FAMOUS SAYINGS**  
**OF FAMOUS PEOPLE**

It's a great life, if you don't weaken.—Adam.

I'm strong for you, kid.—Samson.

I am sorry that I have no more lives to give for my country.—Plutarch.

You can't keep a good man down.—Jonah.

The bigger they are the harder they fall.—David.

So this is Paris.—Helen of Troy.

I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way.—Columbus.

Keep the home fires burning.—Nero.

It floats.—Noah.

The first hundred years are the hardest.—Methuselah.

—Exchange.

**SOME THINGS I'VE****HEARN (& SAW)**

Explanatory note: This poem was wrote by a student in english 31a. Much valuable assistance and many helpful suggestions was offered by a fellow student. the two had gave three week's to a profound study of "Advanced English Grammar (Kittruj and Farley) and Wolly's "Hand book of Composition."

kittruj and Farley has done what they could.

For many a son and daughter.  
In trying to learn them not to say... the things that they hadn't oughter.

If we ever have wrote a theme that was good.

and pleased Miss Davis fully.  
with Periods Colons and these kinds of things.

We owe hit all to Woolly.

There's not no word, to hard two spell, for neither of them gents,

Or, leastways, no one aint seen there mistake,

Before we was borned, or sense.

they all most caused a awful fuss.

'Tween my gentleman friend and I as we swung in back of the vines one night

On the porch when the moon was high.

He thought we ought to say "have took,

i said to use "have taken"

when we ast a guy in 31a

"have tookeen," he said, "Both mis-

taken."

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1915-1916	440	689		1129
1916-1917	536	737		1273
1917-1918	467	736		1203
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