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## Waco To-day.

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The sombreroed montezuma passes crying, "Tamala! Tamala!" The ebon son of Ham passes

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students. College yells make the welkin ring. There is something doing in Waco.

## Schedule of Football Games.

- Oct. 3, T. C. U. vs. Baylor, at Waco.
- Oct. 10, T. C. U. vs. A. & M. College, at College S.
- Oct. 19, T. C. U. vs. Trinity, at Waxahachie.
- Oct. 26, open.
- Nov. 2, open.
- Nov. 9, T. C. U. vs. Trinity, at Waco.
- Nov. 20, T. C. U. vs. A. & M., at Waco.
- Nov. 27, T. C. U. vs. Baylor, at Waco.

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The Skiff is designed as a kind of weekly letter from the school. If you haven't time to write regularly to your friends, let us send them the Skiff for you. It will be cheaper than a year's postage on your letters, and besides will tell more news probably than you would write. Better think about it.

## Another Defeat for Dragon Drink.

Granville Jones was here Sunday en route home from his campaign in Kaufman county. While here he received the welcome news that Kaufman county had gone pro by a 1600 majority. This is another feather in Bro. Jones' cap, which—by the way, is getting to be a rare piece of head-dress if one adds a feather for each of his successful campaigns.

The wave of prohibition which is sweeping over the country and especially Texas, is little less than marvelous. Already more than one-half of our great empire state is dry, and local option election are being held almost weekly. One does not need to claim the gift of prophecy nor to boast of having sprung from a prophetic race, to foretell the outcome. Texas will eventually be a prohibition state. Think what an electric shock, such a state of affairs will give to our cultured cousins in New England. who in spite of their opportunities to know better still hold so exaggerated opinions of the Great Southwest. It will be somewhat of a revelation to these people up in Yankeedom who have striven so long in vain to carry prohibition there. Down in Texas!—in Texas where every man wears a bowie knife in his hat-band, not to speak of the revolvers in his belt and boots, and the women tie their

apron strings in hang-man's knots and the children sprout horns at an early age—down in Texas they have voted whiskey out!

## In Behalf of the Annual.

In writing the heading for this editorial we came near putting it *An* instead of *The*. But somewhere far back in the dim vista of the past there was at one time an annual, and a good one as we remember; still so much has transpired since then that one is almost justifiable in using the indefinite article in connection that little "Horned Frog." The reason why it has never made a second appearance has been doubtful. We have given the matter much thought, have looked carefully through our editorial library in quest of some dissertation upon the absorbing subject of frogs, and have found in Vol. III, Chap. eleven, of the "Popular Educator and Universal Compilation of Scientific Truths," the following lucid statement:—"Toads, tadpoles, frogs, and other firmisternal, tailless amphibious animals of the family of schizosomous anomurans having upper jawteeth, precoracoids and oblong carapace, during certain seasons of the year of relatively low temperature, hibernate." This explains it all. Our annual is doubtless included in the list, and assuming more privileges than other frogs, has hibernated in seasons not only of low but of all temperatures.

But the Annual has overslept itself; it must be aroused. Who will undertake the operation? We must have on annual this year, whether a Horned Frog or a Cloven-footed Tadpole, it matters little if we get the book. This is a subject worthy of the contemplation of the Senior Class. It has already been suggested that they take hold of the matter and give us a true year-book. It is to be hoped that they will.

## To The Students.

When in doubt as to what place to go in the city for your supplies, consult the advertisements in the Skiff. They represent the best stores in Waco, and if these don't carry in stock what you want you probably can't find it elsewhere in the city. Our advertisers are honest, courteous, generous business men and represent the best in their respective callings—in fact we do not care to have any

other kind. Cut this out and paste it in your hat.

To those interested in the T. I. A. A. government of College sports the difficulties now on in the north between the University of Chicago and the Amateur Athletic Union may be of some interest.

One of the candidates for the Chicago team has been disqualified by the Union on account of having played base-ball this summer with a professional team and has been warned not to play in any college game. His fellow players have also been notified that if they play with him they will likewise be under the ban.

In case the coach of the Chicago team can secure the co-operation of the other universities he can precipitate a fight that will be interesting to every one who is interested in the government of college athletics. The question which is in controversy is one of long standing and if the other Universities are really desirous of settling it they can quickly do so by agreeing to let Chicago play this man in question, but Chicago has bright prospects for a winning team and the other universities may be jealous and fail to support her. Should Chicago decide to fight for the principle of the thing and play this man a pretty problem will be added to the usual dissensions of the foot-ball season.



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**LOCALS.**

Hon George A. Wright of Palestine was here Sunday and Monday.

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When you wish to take a spin and take in the sights in and around Waco, get your rig from Sidney P. Smith corner 7th and Franklin.

Bro. George Morrison of Dublin, visited the school early in the week.

Mrs. J. W. Marshall has returned from her summer's vacation in Oklahoma.

It is W. F. Sanders that sells confectionaries.

Mr. Roy Burnet of the State University visited his cousin, Miss Sue Campbell, Tuesday.

Basket-ball is beginning to be the chief topic at the Girls' Home. The young ladies had a good team last year and now with so much new material they hope to develop several good teams.

The latest arrivals at the Girls' Hall are Miss Andrews, Sherman and the Misses Moore, Dublin.

Miss Laura Alford has returned home on account of ill health.

The local Alumni committee is sending out another batch of letters this week. They are altogether in earnest and are going to make their Thanksgiving meeting a success.

As a result of his increased trade, W. F. Sanders was using the phone last night in procuring another student helper for his store.

Laird the T. C. U. Barber for first class work.

Have you noticed Laird's new barber pole? What does that red, white and blue signify.

Miss Mary Allen spent Sunday with relatives in the city.

A number from the University, besides Miss Llewellyn, Miss McClintic and Prof. Findlay of the Fine Arts Faculty attended the recital at Baylor University Tuesday evening. They brought back nothing but words of praise for the Baylor Artists.

For fresh fruits, fresh candies, cold drinks and ice-cream go to Easley and Co.

The new military patrol is a good thing.

The people in the city are interested in T. C. U.'s growth as is shown by their liberal donations the past week to our athletic field.

Easley and Co. will have a flag pole erected on top of their store in a day or two. Prof. Easley says on the days T. C. U. plays other colleges he will fly streamers in the college colors of the schools represented. As soon as the game is ended if T. C. U. wins he will drop the colors of the losing team to half mast. If T. C. U. should by some unforeseen accident lose the game he will take down both streamers. This will be a convenient and novel way of announcing the results of the games.

Bro. Shirley was here Thursday looking after the interests of the school.

Col. Easley is erecting a private telephone line between his office at the University and his store in order to keep in closer touch with the business of the store which is constantly increasing.

H. E. Luck '02, of Gatesville was here this week.

Beg pardon, and you say it was done that way in Beloit?

We regret to chronicle the loss by fire of the residence and valuable library of our good friend Dr. R. B. Turner, which occurred early in last week.

Miss Laura Watson, a student of '01 is back again. She and her mother are at the Singleton House.

The reception last evening was quite the most pleasing social event of the year—and by the way it was our first.

For up-to now rigs go to Sidney P. Smith, corner 7th and Franklin, Livery and boarding stable. The latest rubber tired turnouts. Both phones 23.

The C. E. under the leadership of Mr. Shaim is under full headway. Many of the old Endeavorers of last year are again at their post, among others I would mention Mr. Parker who is the song leader. This work can be made a strong support to the church.

Dr. Ernest Boston, eye, ear and nose specialist, Provident Building, Waco, can be numbered among T. C. U.'s philanthropists. He offers to treat all ministerial students free of charge. The special offer to treat all cases of catarrah for \$25.00 closes Wednesday, Oct. 1. That is all who wish to take the advantage of this price must put in their applications between now and Oct. 1.

The Mission Sunday School has been reorganized with C. M. Ashmoore and Fred Obenchain as Supts. We hope to see this work pushed.

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#### The C. E. Movement.

We mentioned in a general way last week the effort that is being made to arouse the Alumni of T. C. U. to a deeper interest in its Alma Mater, but nothing so far has been said in this paper of the Christian Endeavor movement.

This organization, ever on the alert for opportunities to do good, has espoused the cause of Texas Christian University's Industrial Department and is making a strenuous effort to put it on a strong financial basis. In this movement the Endeavorers have eclipsed in point of worthiness all their past efforts. No more meritorious undertaking could have been selected than one which will enable the boys and girls of our state, possessing little or no income to earn a college education. The live, enthusiastic C. E.'s are eminently the proper ones to have charge of the movement. The brilliancy with which they usually carry out their plans has become characteristic. Doubtless our own Endeavor Societies will want a share in the good work, we have never known them to be passive when such an opportunity presented itself. Those interested should write Miss Kirby McChesney at once.

#### A Musical Association.

Texas Christian University is soon to have a live and efficient musical association. It is the plan of the president and musical faculty to effect such an organization at once for the purpose, specifically of bringing the master musical artists of the day to Waco, and generally to arouse a deeper musical fervor in the school.

A number of Monday afternoon recitals will be given, perhaps fortnightly, by pupils and local talent. Which will be interspersed from time to time by concerts of the great artists—Sherwood, Josef Hoffman, Paderewski, etc. Membership tickets will be sold entitling the holder to the regular recitals free, and the concerts at a greatly reduced rate.

The plan partakes somewhat of the colossal, but more praise to us if we carry it out in its entirety. We are attempting big things this year, and with the cooperation of the student body the resident supporters of the school and our friends in the City we can easily make a success of this.

Texas Christian University was complimented more than

once last June on its current catalogue. It has even been said that the catalogue was the best sent out from any school of our brotherhood. This is the way T. C. U. proposes to do things; we will not only have the best Catalogue this year but we are going to make some records in school work and athletics that will at least interest the other schools. President Zollars has spoken.

#### Athletics for Women.

More outdoor exercise for the girls! So many of them are neglecting this very important part in their development that we must give it at least a passing word. One should be especially careful in the beginning, many—perhaps most girls come to school with so lofty ambitions and so earnest a desire to excel in their work that they neglect their physical training. The largest universities throughout the land are taking hold of the problem of outdoor exercise for young women, and solving it in a very emphatic way. In Chicago University every undergraduate must spend so many hours per day on the athletic field, in tennis, basket-ball or the many sports which are in vogue at the present. And in the women's colleges of the East even more stress is laid on athletics for women.

We in our own school should give the matter more thought. Every girl should go in for tennis or basket-ball and there is no reason why golf could not be played successfully on our surrounding hills. An hour every day spent in out-door sport would mean less headaches and fewer nerves not to speak of the additional advantage in more vigorous and enthusiastic study.

The following is the official list of the promotions that have been made in T. C. U. military circles this session:

Homer Rowe, Major; Douglas Shirley, Senior Captain; Wesley Ammerman, Captain; Clovis T. Moore, Captain; B. W. Proctor, Battalion Adjutant; E. F. Jones, 1st Lieutenant; A. N. Ashmore, 1st Lieutenant; Harrison H. Scales, 1st Lieutenant; Hardy Grissom, 2nd Lieutenant; Joe Witten, 2nd Lieutent; E. R. Milroy, 2nd Lieutenant.

Staff officers: L. E. Brannin, Sergeant Major; J. H. Edwards, Quartermaster Sergeant; J. F. Kinnard, Ordinance Sergeant. R. H. Foster, Color Sergeant.

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