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To-Day's Game.

To-day is the day for the final football bout with A. & M. Elsewhere in this issue may be found a short article in the nature of an appeal to the football boys in behalf of a Thanksgiving victory, and lest we be misunderstood we would suggest that of course we expect a victory to day. Our team holds the proud record of having scored against the Farmers this season,—something which only one other team has done. And a final victory to-day will make up partly for a series of later losses on the gridiron. Then every man of us to the game, and help the team win this victory.

Here's to each lusty lad
In his dun armor cad—
Canvas and guard and pad—

Tough as a beam!
Up with the college hues!
Whether it win or lose,—
Cheers, til the stones enthuse
Cheers for the team!

Beaten, we'll cheer it still,
Biding our day until
Vict'ry our cup shall fill—
Vict'ry and glee.
Regular, substitute,

Vet'ran and brave recruit,
List to our loud salute:

The team! Three times three!
EDWIN SABIN in Munsey's.

The Texas Home Mission Board now has on foot a movement that will be of benefit to several of the T. C. U. Ministerial students, and also of benefit to the Christian churches near Waco that are now without pas-

tors. Bro. J. C. Mason has informed Evangelist Tom Smith to visit the mentioned above churches, and if possible locate as pastor in each church some ministerial student of T. C. U. The board will furnish money to the churches to help them pay the student preachers. This move is as it should be. This will help the ministerial students through school. They in return

will strengthen the churches for which they preach. T. C. U. and the brotherhood of the Christian church will be brought in closer relation to each other.

The Cold Snap.

The weather man sent us our first consignment of real cold weather early in the week. Coming as it does immediately after such balmy breezes as we have been enjoying, it makes one almost wonder if Texas weather ever will cease its kittenish changable ways and settle down to some regular and dependable schedule. As it is now the person without a cold is entirely out of fashion, and he who has two overcoats is the most sincerely courted of all people.

Attention Alumni.

On Monday evening at 4 o'clock, the local alumni committee will meet in the Girls' Home. All of the members are expected to be present as this will probably be the last meeting prior to the general assembly.

Prof. Ross preached at Hubbard City last Lord's Day.

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A Word to the Football Boys.

And so I've had to chronicle another defeat boys, again you've been walloped in the dust by people half your size and I as an honest news sheet have been obliged to give it to the public. Still I'm not complaining so long as the defeats are honorable ones, but boys when will it stop? Can't we have one victory this year? Won't you give us one genuine triumph? Some of us havn't gotten our "holler" this season, and we can't hold in until spring.

I'll admit that you've had enough mishaps to make the stoutest heart discouraged—but still that doesn't excuse you for being discouraged. Come on. Take another trial. Get a double grip on your courage. Give us one chance for a good, round, ripping Hullabaloo. And what better time could there be than Thanksgiving? The Alumni will be here then, and the last one of them will want to get in an old time yell for Alma Mater. A football victory will be the thing. What do you say—let's make it Thanksgiving. Remember you can if you will, and no one believes in you any more strongly than does—

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Our Thanksgiving Sermon.

Before the next issue of this paper comes from the press, Thanksgiving will have come and gone. Thanksgiving, a day so thoroughly suggestive and so full of Americanism—no other country on the globe has set apart any one day as a special time of national thanksgiving. Perhaps however America has more cause for universal thank-offering than any other country. True it is that no other land has been so favored, and gives such eloquent promise of future greatness. Then all respect to the early heroes of our land who instituted this holiday, may the sentiments for which they so earnestly wrought never be for-

and ... generation. Let us receive the day with pride for our country's vigor, and gratitude to the all-wise Providence for the year's manifold blessings.

The Alumni Rally.

The Committee has been busy the past week mailing its third circular letter to the members of the Alumni Association. This letter contained also Pres. Zollars' card seconding the invitation of the committee. Undoubtedly the meeting will be a success. The local committee is hard at work perfecting its plans and arranging for the comfort of the guests. The visitors are expected to arrive Wednesday afternoon, and an informal meeting, to which the public is invited, will be held that evening at 7 o'clock. Afterwards the alumni will attend in a body the Shirley open session. The regular business meeting of the Association will be on the following day, immediately succeeded by the Thanksgiving sermon of Pres. Zollars. The crowning feature of the occasion, however, will doubtless be the final banquet in Townsend Hall, Thursday evening at 9 o'clock.

The Alumni of our school by no means belong to a past era, and lasting evidence of their abiding faith and loyalty will no doubt, be shown in this meeting. All T. C. U. will join in their welcome and entertainment.

Mrs. Arabella Elliott of Kokomo, Ind., has testified in court that for two years of her married life her husband, Henry H. Elliott, insisted that they should live on beans. They had beans for breakfast, beans for dinner and beans for supper. It was beans, beans, beans, until she heard the rattling of beans in the flapping of the vines against the corner of the dear little cottage; she had beans in her dreams, and in her waking fancies all the world became a pod and all the men and women in it were merely beans. Finally she got Mr. Elliott to change off to potatoes, but he pined for beans, and fearing that he would insist on returning to them, she sued for a divorce.

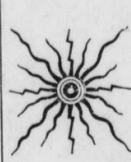
Mr. Elliott's side of the case has not been published—as yet. Doubtless he is a good man who yearns for intellectual advancement. Or he may be a Bostonian who has not yet become accustomed to western modes of living. It may be as the Boston poet beautifully sings: Of all sad scenes the saddest scenes, Are tables set, sans pork and beans.

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Hon. Geo. A. Wright of Palestine was a visitor at the university Monday.

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Andy P. Evans returned this week from a visit to homefolks at Bonham.

Miss Nona Boegeman was gladdened by a visit from her mother this week.

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Miss Morgan of Ft. Worth is the latest arrival at the Girls' Home.

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Miss Effie Jones spent Friday with home folks in Denton.

Miss Shirley had a short visit from her grandfather Col. Bean of Howe, recently.

The band instruments have arrived, and all College Heights knows it without this notice.

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Pres. Zollars will preach the Thanksgiving sermon in the chapel Thursday morning.

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Mrs. Findlay is still quite ill, and unable to meet her classes. Mrs. H. M. Minier has been secured to fill the position until Mrs. Findlay is better.

Miss Laura Mewhinney left to-day for a brief visit to her home in Holland. Misses Bessie Coffman and Pauline Shirley accompanied her.

Next Thursday is Thanksgiving day. For what can we, of T. C. U., be thankful. We should be thankful for the wonderful improvement of T. C. U. within the last twelve months. During this time the addition to the Girls' Home has been completed, the Townsend memorial Hall built, the steam heat and sewerage plants have been put in, the main building improved and the campus beautified. The attendance this session is almost double that of last session and new students continue to come. T. C. U. is out of debt and is running on a paying basis. Soon the electric light plant and laundry will be put in. We should not forget to be thankful to Pres. Zollars and Bro. T. E. Shirley and all who have lent a helping hand, for the strenuous efforts they have put forth towards the accomplishment of a greater T. C. U. Again, we students should be thankful, that we are permitted by providence to be here where we shall form David-and-Johnathan like friendships; where we may prepare ourselves so that we may not only command success but even more, "*Sempronius*" we may deserve it.

The Basket Ball Game.

Interest at the Girls' Home Thursday centered in the basket ball game between the first teams of Divisions A and B. Despite the cold, most of the occupants of the home, and a number of visitors were present. Public opinion as to the outcome of the game was uncertain, but each side was strongly supported and enthusiasm was high.

Division B won the toss for goals and chose the one on the north. From the beginning to the end of the game, the interest never wavered. Division A began scoring from the start and at the close of the first half had piled up 9 to the opponents 0. But Capt. Shirley's girls never lost heart and scored 12 in the second half to Capt. Johnson's 6, making the final score 12 to 15 in Division A's favor.

The positions were as follows:
DIVISION A. DIVISION B.
I. V. Purcell r. f. Mary Taliaferro
B. Johnston l. f. L. Mewhinney
Amy Wood c. Pauline Shirley
L. Andrews r. g. Helen Horn
S. Campbell l. g. Z. Wantland
Referee, Miss McClintic.
Timekeeper, Cassie Holloway.

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At a meeting of the Scott Rifles Friday. Miss Pauline Shirley was elected sponsor to fill the

place made vacant by Miss Rowe's resignation. Miss Shirley is a popular and accomplished young lady, and will make this crack company of T. C. U.'s officers, an ideal sponsor.

Many are the expressions of regret at parting with Miss Rowe who has so long and ably filled the position. The Rows are moving away to their new home in Dalhart.

The melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year, but pumpkin pies will soon be ripe, and therefore I don't keer. The rustling corn must hurry up, the frost is on its track, and soon we'll feel its chilling breath, so says the almanac. The frightened rabbit scurries off and hides down in the stubble, for when he hears the sportsman's gun he knows there'll soon be trouble. The wary quail has timid grown and pipes her gentle warning, the winds from misty dells begin to chill us in the morning. The land is lit with golden rod, and there in purple glory, the regal asters lift their heads and tell the winds their story. The canned fruit has been put away and packed down in the cellar, the good old summer time is past, the year is growing meller. Thanksgiving day draweth nigh. The sky is somewhat murky. Soon we'll bid our cares good-bye, And feast on roasted turkey. Each mother's son write home to pap And ask for 'steen silver dollars So you can spruce up for that soire, that will be in the girls' home parlors.

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