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THE HORNEFROG CONTESTS.

In order to stimulate interest and call forth the best literary and art productions for The Horned Frog, a number of Waco's business men have been liberal in offering prizes. These contests are open to any student in T. C. U.

I.

1. For the best short story, not less than 600 nor more than 1200 words in length, the Old Corner Drug Store will give Five Dollars in perfume.
 2. For the second best short story, within the above limitations, we will give one copy of the "Horned Frog."

II.

1. For the best humorous sketch, or humorous story, not less than 400 nor more than 800 words in length, Fred Studer, the Jeweler, will give a Five Dollar stick pin.
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1. For the best collection of jokes, puns, "take-offs," grinds, etc., not less than 400 nor more than 1000 words in length, Wood Bros. & Co.

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2. For the second best collection of jokes, puns, "take-offs," grinds, etc., within the above limitations, we will give one copy of the "Horned Frog."

V.

1. For the best pen picture, or wash drawing, suitable for reproduction in the Annual, Levinski, the Jeweler, will give a Five Dollar stick pin.

Rules governing these contests:

1. All manuscripts must be plainly written on one side of theme paper, signed by a "non de plume," enclosed in an envelope, and deposited in a 'contest box,' which will be provided. Envelopes containing manuscripts must be marked "Ms."

2. Every contestant must also deposit a sealed envelope, containing his real name, his "non de plume," and the subject of his story or other productions. Such envelope must bear the mark "name" on outside.

3. All manuscripts for these contests must be in by 6 o'clock Friday evening, March 10th.

4. Any T. C. U. student may put in as many productions in each contest as he wishes.

5. The editors of the Horned Frog reserve the right to publish any part or all of the manuscripts entered in these contests.

ELSTER M. HAILE, Editor.

HYMENEAL.

On Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Mr. Frank Burnes and Miss Ella Widener were united in marriage at the residence of Mr. John Widener.

Miss Widener has been an enthusiastic church worker ever since she became a member of the church and was at the time of her marriage organist of the Christian church at Prairie Hill.

Mr. Burnes is a ministerial student in Texas Christian University, and will continue his studies. At present they are stopping at Mrs. James' an aunt of the bride's. *The Skiff* congratulates the young couple and trusts that their married life may be a peaceful and happy one.

EDWARD ELLIS

Bro. Edward Ellis, pastor of the East Waco Christian Church, died at his home on McKeen street last Saturday afternoon of typhoid fever. Bro. Ellis was a native of Illinois, but had spent some years' in evangelistic work in Oklahoma. Last September he removed to Waco, and he and Sister Ellis entered Texas Christian University to further fit themselves for their life work. While preaching Christmas night at Alvarado, Bro. Ellis contracted a severe cold and in a few days developed the disease which ended his earthly career. Funeral services were conducted at his residence on Sunday afternoon by Bro. G. Lyle Smith in the presence of a large number of teachers, fellow students and friends. The remains were shipped to Sullivan, Ill., where Sister Ellis went to the home of her parents. Bro. Ellis was a young man of powerful physique, and possessed great energy and consecration.

T. C. U. deeply mourns his loss and joins with his bereaved wife and other relatives in sorrow at his death.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Christian Endeavor meets Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Topic—What I owe to Christian Endeavor. Ezek. 47:1-12; Ps. 36:8. Miss Tyler Wilkerson, Leader.

THE ORATORICAL ASSOCIATION

The Oratorical Association is making greater progress this year than ever before. Its financial condition is better than it has ever been. A greater interest is being aroused among the student body regarding the value of the association.

It has shown many of our students the value of oratory, and inspired some, who have never spoken in public, to enter the contests.

The association will hold a contest in declamation on next Thursday night, February 9th, in which there will be two prizes offered, \$10 and \$5, for first and second places respectively. These prizes are to be given by the association itself, which thing has never been done before in the history of the organization. There will be eight or ten who will contest for these prizes, and a very profitable and entertaining evening is expected. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

W. O. DALLAS,

Chairman

MISS BLUNT LECTURES.

Miss Olive M. Blunt, of the Baptist Board of Missions, lectured in chapel to a good audience last Saturday night. The subject was "An Evening in Japan." The lecture was illustrated by stereoptican views and in the first part was accompanied by music on the piano and cornet. Miss Blunt carried us across the ocean and there showed us many beautiful pictures of Japanese life. She explained to us some of the peculiar customs existing at present among these people. After the lecture, three young ladies of the University, attired as Japanese, illustrated the Japanese custom of taking tea. The favored maidens were: Miss Mamie Patten, Miss Laura O'Brien, Miss Elizabeth Gibbons.

LOCALS.

Mrs. S. R. Cowell, of Whitesboro, made a visit to her son, Henry. Happy boy!

The nurse, Miss Riddle, of Dallas, is doing excellent service for the sick. She has won many friends among the boys and girls. "Her pleasant smile does more good for the sick than the Dr. Medicine."

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
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THE HONOR SYSTEM

In many of the colleges and universities they have what they call the "Honor System." Many students in our university do things which they would not otherwise do because they are not put upon their honor.

One of the greatest tests of a man's character is seen when he is upon the gridiron.

To cull out the bad and leave the good I think there should be established in this school what is known as "The Honor System." In order to establish this system it will take the co-operation of the entire faculty and student body. Most all the students of this university are professed Christians and are such a class of boys and girls who should have the strength of character to be put upon their honor when necessary.

The State University at Austin has this system and we who claim to be a Christian school are behind in this one respect.

As to what the "Honor System" is, may be summed up in the following. It means that in all examinations, written tests, etc., in the university, the student is put upon his or her honor to take the examination fairly. The teacher's presence while the examination is in progress is immaterial.

In some of the schools the system is carried on upon this plan. The teacher gives the questions to the student and goes on about his business, till time to collect papers, when he returns he does that, or he may request the student to deposit papers on the desk. Students are required to sign the following pledge at the end of each examination: "I have neither given or received aid on this examination." The pledge is considered sacred.

Under such circumstances the honest students feel that any violation of such a trust is an offense against every one who takes the examination fairly, hence, they feel it their duty to report any violation coming under this notice. For one student to silently witness an act of cheating makes him a party of it. This is the sentiment of the student body.

The reporting is done to the students' council, a committee of the students association. The students' association is simply an organization consisting of every student in the university (all the old students of last year know what the "Student's Council" was). They are elected annually by the student body. The association has charge of the student publications, etc. Within this students' association is the students' council referred to. There is a woman's and a men's council, each looking after its own "Side of the

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House." When a case is reported to the council they take it up. If they find the party guilty, they report it to the faculty. That means (almost without exception) that the guilty party will be expelled from the university.

The understanding among the students is this: Anyone who wilfully cheats on examination thereby of his own accord severs his connection with the university.

The student body voluntarily relieves the faculty of the responsibility of seeing that examinations are taken fairly. Of course there will be some cheating under this system but it can be reduced to the minimum. In all universities there are different degrees of trust among the professors. Some few over-scrupulous fellows will not leave the room during an examination, nor allow students to talk at all during the test.

Perhaps some will say that the students in this university are too young to be put upon their own "Honor." I believe that every student in the college department of this university knows right from wrong and that all students in the college department should be put upon their own honor during an examination. While it is true there are many who do not give or receive aid during an examination, there are some who will. There is a broad field before the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. to establish this "Honor System" in this university.

FIRE RECORD.

It is a widely recognized fact that the Fire Boys of Waco are very efficient in their service. Last Tuesday they once more proved this. The photographer's gallery above Naman & Goldsmith's jewelry store caught fire, and was in flames before the alarm was turned in. As soon as possible the Fire Department was on the scene and altho the flames had spread they were gotten under control and in a short while, extinguished. The loss was not heavy. Naman & Goldsmith, jewelers, were forced to move everything from their store, but experienced no loss except that resulting from the water. They will repair their building in a few days and will be better prepared than ever to serve you.

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LOCALS

Mr. James L. White was called home Monday on account of severe illness in his family.

Get a hair cut. You need it! The St. Charles Barber Shop is the place.

Mr. G. B. Wortham of China Springs, called to see his son Sunday morning.

If you want the best photo that can be made let Burdsal be your photographer.

Capt. H. D. McCoy, of Knoxville, Ill., has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Kori, for the past week.

Let the St. Charles Barber Shop do your work.

Mr. Douthit, of Seymour, visited his daughter, Miss Bessie, the first of the week.

Burdsal's price on photos for the Annual will interest you. Ask about it. No need to ask about quality.

Even President Zollars, will sometimes sing in the halls.

Let Bob Laird do your barber work.

Mr. B. H. Bloor left last Friday to spend a few days at his home in Manor.

LeMay has a present for you. Get it at once.

Misses Mayme and Modena Welch were at Temple over Sunday and Monday as the guest of their cousin.

Patronize old students of T. C. U. by getting your barber work done at the St. Charles Barber Shop.

Mr. L. E. Shane was sent by the Ministerial Association to accompany Mrs. Ellis with the corpse of Mr. Ellis to their home in Sullivan, Ill.

For the best of chile go to Bob Laird.

Mr. Guy L. Perkinson spent a few days at his home in Temple the first of the week.

Our motto is "The best of wrok." St. Charles Barber Shop.

Mr. C. C. Baker of Manor, won many new friends among the boys while visiting his son, Hickman.

Laird, the college barber, always gives satisfaction.

Mrs. Sidewick is now visiting her daughter.

Miss Kirby McChesney is on the wing again.

Burdsal's name on your Annual picture is a guarantee of quality.

Get your shines at Tom Blair's, 504 Austin avenue.

Mr. Curtis Simpson of Valley Mills has been the guest of his son for the past week.

The St. Charles barbers are artists.

If you won't "rustle" why not get a "hustling" move on yourself.

Let Naman & Goldsmith mend your watch.

Harry Denton is now visiting his home at Valley Mills.

You're late! Let Naman & Goldsmith mend your watch.

Last Sunday being the fifth Sunday the preacher boys had a nice stay at the University.

They say they killed the fatted pig the other day.

The Annual deserves your support.

Mr. Claud Ship visited him home in Temple a few days the first of the week.

Have you had your picture made for the annual yet?

And they began to make excuses saying, "I have bought a yoke of oxen," and "I have purchased a new piece of land," but Mr. Frank Burns says, "I am now a married man." This will prove to you that all the preacher boys have not signed Miss McChesney's "Rigid Pledge."

Go get some chile at Laird's.

Three cheers for the "Red, White and Blue."

The T. C. U. band will be able to give us some fine music when the base ball season opens.

If you are contemplating ordering a spring suit, you should by all means see B. Haber.

Nine rahs for the scarlet!

Do you buy your shirts from B. Haber?

Everybody is cordially invited to attend the "Declamation Contest" Thursday evening, the ninth inst. Support the contestants by your presence.

We are sorry to report the illness of Mr. Winn.

"Better late than never," but better never late. Let Naman & Goldsmith put your watch in condition.

The T. C. U. Y. M. C. A. are arranging for a number of addresses to be given before the association.

If it should sleet, then you would have to "rustle" or "hustle" from one recitation room to another.

Go to 326 Austin Ave. if you want bargains in Hats and Shirts.

Subscribe for the annual.

Mr. Whit Turney went to the city to see his sister Wednesday, who is the guest of Mr. Homer D. Wade.

The latest thing out is a photo for the annual.

All those who had the measles are almost entirely well.

See LeMay for our special on photos.—Thompson.

Mr. Hill, of Meridian, is now visiting his son Jack.

Mrs. Cornegys, of Merkel, came to see her children and decided to take them home with her for a few days.

Mr. Schley on his way east stopped over to see his daughter, Miss Letha.

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Mr. T. M. Clark, of Seymour, spent Sunday with his daughter, Miss Carrie.

Mr. Douthit, of Angleton, spent Sunday and Monday with his daughter, who is convalescing from measles.

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Then, if athletics or physical training is essential to a college course, it should be elevated to the highest form, that is it should be pushed forward with the care to preserve its own rights. Boys wake up and see the necessity of proper athletes see how much each individual's support enlarges the effort. After the individual has pronounced his assistance then combine into one mass, work together and success will be the result.

T. C. U. has for the past three years held the championship of the T. I. A. A. in base ball. She has a reputation in Texas, why not cover more ground, advertise the school by playing the champion college teams of other states. Again if our boys work hard to win honor for T. C. U., by skillful play which is the result of diligent unrelenting work on their part, why does the school show nothing in the line of appreciation and encouragement for it? Other universities of this size offer great inducements to their heroes of the athletic field. The boys have always conducted themselves like gentlemen and have left a good name for the school everywhere they have played.

Does not this prove to the observer that the morals of the school are not corrupt? On the other hand suppose our boys to go to some university town and display a disposition to get drunk or steal, etc., then you would have a right to disregard their efforts. But such has never been the case in the history of T. C. U. The boys have always conducted themselves in a manly way and not only respecting the religious and moral standard of the school but appreciating it and governing themselves accordingly—that is, they conduct themselves while away from home in the

same manner as they have been taught to act while at home.

Then I should think this a good advertisement for the school. The school is going to be judged by its products. Certainly the school is not afraid or ashamed of her products—then send them abroad, send them out into other states for the purpose of advertisement as well as for inducement to the boys who work hard and faithfully because they realize their position—that they are representing the school and through respect and loyalty and love for her they strive to place her banner high above that of any other university in the state. G.

THE REFORM MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK.

This movement is under the leadership of District Attorney Jerome and Police Commissioner McAduo. Mr. Jerome is closing up the gambling houses in wholesale fashion and making big bonfires of thousands of dollars worth of gambling paraphernalia. Mr. McAduo has established a new detective force to watch the police and other detectives.

A strong movement is afoot to wipe out the "Rains law hotels." Mr. Jerome says that "Never within my knowledge has the police department been so honeycombed with dereliction and dishonesty as today." The Rains excise law is the root of all evil in New York. Many of the New York papers are declaring that it is a failure and that it is producing more harm than good.

The intent of the Rains was to restrict the sale of liquor, in particular, on Sunday. Certain "hotels" were permitted to sell drinks, with the food that they sold. The purpose for which this law was established has not been carried out. Ex-State Senator Plunkett declares that it is a scheme to put the Republicans at the head of the police force. Whatever may be the outcome, we hope much good may be accomplished and that New York may be purged like St. Louis and Chicago were.

THE SPOON-DISH ELOPEMENT. (In Six Chapters).

CHAPTER I.

"The dish ran away with the spoon,"
But the spoon in accents low,
Said, "My dear, before we go
We'll call and have our photos
made
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CHAPTER II.

The dish in winsome manner smiled,
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