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appears on the scene and further confusion results, among other things being trouble for the officious "Corney." In desperation Dunn resolves to tell the truth, and Thompkins appears and relieves him of the troublesome statue.

The play abounds thruout in laughable situations. Mrs. Dunn's habit of catching her husband in various positions of embarrassment does not cause the least of these. Corney's habit of changing his mind and viewpoint "with but little provocation" is another fun maker. But Niobe's artlessness and ignorance of latter day conventions is probably the most mirth-provoking feature of the play.

To say that all those in the cast played their part well is but to repeat the sentiments of everyone, and indeed, under the direction of Miss Reeves, this could not fail to be the case. For it seemed that for everyone in the cast a part had been selected in which their natural ability had greatest range.

Miss Maloney as Niobe starred. She "looked" the part and she played it to perfection. Bertram Bloor as "leading man" well earned the appreciation of the audience. His interpretation of the part was masterly.

Miss Bess Rash as Mrs. Dunn was natural in the extreme. Her emotions, it seemed at times, seemed almost too genuine not to be real. But then you see this is the second time Bert has been her "erring" hubby, and that probably explains it.

Si Perkins also seemed to be one whose loving disposition has had some outlet in real life. Leastways his realistic interpretation of the part of Hattie's Lover was unusually good, and Juanita's "Juliet" wasn't so bad either.

Clyde Hackney, Mrs. Cruzan, Juanita Anderson and Mabel Shannon all contributed materially to the comic elements.

Mrs. Hart, Stella Smitham, Dabbs and Gough in the "heavy" parts were all convincing, the success of several scenes hanging upon their acting.

No little part of the success of the play was created by the Orchestra. Its numbers as always were heartily applauded by the audience.

The cast follows:  
In Life Insurance: Peter Amos Dunn — Bertram Bloor.

In Love with Himself: Cornelius Griffin — Clyde Hackney.

In Corney's Hands: Phineas Innings — Noah C. Perkins.

In Retirement: Parker G. Silox — Howard B. Dabbs.

In the Clouds: Jefferson Thompkins — Earl Gough.

In Trouble: Caroline Dunn — Bess Rash.

In Authority: Helen Griffin — Mrs. Cruzan.

In Open Rebellion: Hattie Griffin — Juanita Anderson.

In Love with Corney: Beatrice Silox — Mabel Shannon.

In Service: Mary — Stella Smitham.

In the Way: Madeline Mifflon — Mrs. Cora Hart.

In the Flesh: Niobe (widow of the late Amphion, King of Thebes) — Lorraine Maloney.

It is understood that in a short time the Club will begin rehearsal of the college play, written by Howell G. Knight. This play is intended to make a new high-water mark in T. C. U. theatricals. It is something decidedly out of the ordinary to have a play written by a student in your own col-



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Up to time to go to press the matters are not completed sufficiently to secure a full report of the work accomplished. Much of the work was details of business in a routine way.

The Endowment Secretary gave in his report for the nine months and a half of his service. The report showed a good financial gain for the University and a remarkably small amount of expense. Most of the work has been preparatory to larger collections a little later on, inasmuch as the ground has first to be prepared. Some new undertakings are laid out, which it is hoped will bring in large revenue during the coming year.

The board has been inclined to lend aid to the student organizations as far as they are able. The request of the Oratorical Association for aid to make the occasion of the State Oratorical a success was met with favor and the assistance asked for was granted. The Horned Frog will also be assisted again this year.

The Trustees authorized an invitation to the state Christian Endeavor convention to hold its sessions in the University buildings during next June. It is understood that the invitation will be accepted.

The election of the faculty is now in progress, but has not been completed sufficiently for a report.

The sessions will adjourn this afternoon.

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### DRAMATIC CLUB PRESENTS "NIOBE."

Despite the shortness of previous announcement, a well filled house greeted the rising of the curtain on "Niobe" in the University auditorium Monday night. For the performances of the Dramatic Club are known of all, and, altho "The Traitor" was being played down town quite a number of people from the city were present.

As per program, when the curtain "rose" a scene in Mr. Dunn's "drawing room"—it looked like the "parlor" to us—was disclosed. His wife and his wife's folks, constituting the family, were present, dressed for going to the theater. These finally adjourn, leaving Peter Amos Dunn alone, save for a famous stature which he is taking care of for his friend Tompkins—incidentally because it is insured in Dunn's company. This statue is supposed to be an actual petrification of Niobe, wife of Amphion, King of Thebes, whom the gods angered by her continual weeping for her husband turned to stone some three thousand years ago. Evidently this supposition is correct for by the aid of some electric wires which sister Helen Griffin, the "boss of the house," had had placed around the statue's ankles, said statue comes to life, immediately proclaims "Peteramos" as her lord and master, and throws—or rather makes a "stall" at throwing—herself into his arms. Of course Peteramos cannot stand for this, whereat the beautiful Niobe becomes almost inconsolable. Dunn gets his wits together and decides to pass the lady off as a governess whom he has engaged for his children.

The second act shows how the family "take on" to the new comer, Miss Griffin putting the lady thru and exhaustive examination to determine her fitness for the position. This Peter brings to a mildly successful conclusion by turning the examination upon ancient history.

In the third act the real governess

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## VARIOUS VIEWPOINTS.

### "Track" as Told to the Pencil Pusher.

The manager: "Yes, I think we ought to have a track team. There are prospects for three meets, but I can't sign contracts until I'm sure we'll have a team."

The Coach: "Yes, I think we ought to have a track team. I'm willing to do all I can, but I can't do anything unless the students get out and work."

Average Candidate: "Yes, I think we ought to have a track team, but you can't expect the boys to come out unless there is something to look forward to in the way of meets; also for the proper ones to push things and show some authority in the premises."

Most everything around here seems to be the editors fault, but he is to blame because the paper is late this week. Some way or other he got lazy or forgot that he couldn't do like other people, or something, and so the Skiff copy was not gotten up in time. We suppose a board (not "one with a hole in it" kind) will be appointed to see that the offense is not repeated, so don't worry.

Prof. Faris sprung a new idea on the student-body last Saturday morning when he made the statement that he did not believe a rule should be enforced that the majority of students did not approve of. We believe, ourselves, that the student-body know enough to and are anxious to do what is right. In regard to the smoking rule, then under discussion, we do not believe that there is any desire to change it. We do not believe there is any boy here who does not have too much reverence for his Alma Mater to loaf in the halls or on the steps smoking. Of course, when one is going from "the store" to his room it is hard to resist the temptation to keep your "smoke" alight. But a cigar will stay lighted for that distance and a pipe or cigarette goes out so much that it really doesn't make any difference anyway.

## CHAPEL EXERCISES.

Saturday morning was given over to a talk upon various disciplinary measures by Prof. Faris. Needless to say his talk received splendid attention.

The chapel assembly was favored Tuesday morning with an address upon the "Legal Side of Prohibition," by Judge L. L. Gough of Hereford. Mr. Gough had studied his subject thoroughly and gave us reliable knowledge of this phase of the subject. His ad-

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dress was clear and forcible and his illustrations splendid.

At Thursday's chapel Dr. Lockhart made the announcement that Colby D. Hall, who for the past several years has been Educational Secretary for the University, would on next Sunday, February fourteenth, become pastor of the University church. Mr. Hall then made a short talk upon the responsibilities of his position, his plans respecting it, etc.

### T. C. U. WINS FROM MART.

Saturday last, T. C. U. and Mart basketball teams played at Mart, Tex., the former winning by the close score of 11 to 8. On an outdoor court, with a high wind blowing, conditions were not favorable to T. C. U. players, but they faced it, and by their superior efforts, won the day. In the first half T. C. U. having advantage of the wind, and being more skilled on passes, had the ball in their territory most of the time. Mart was unable to throw a single goal—tho they had several attempts. Wakefield and Carr did good work as guards, tho at times a little reckless and venturesome. Sowell had the advantage of his man at center. The second half was a tie, 7 to 7. Mart braced up and credited herself with three goals and one field goal. For T. C. U. Farmer at forward, did the best work, he having made seven of the final eleven points. Riter worked hard and heady, but failed to handle the ball with his usual grace. The wind was a barrier to all. Graves relieved Wakefield at guard near the close of the second half.

### Final Score.

T. C. U.—Riter (f), 2; Farmer (f), 7; Sowell (c), 2; Carr (g), Wakefield (g), Graves (g).

Mart—Todd (c), Fox (f) 4, Lumpkin (f) 2, Aikman (g), Townsend (g) 2.

Time of halves—20-15.

Referee—Braus, T. C. U.

Umpire—Cogdell, Mart.

This week begins the finals of the city league, the two Baylor teams, Y. M. C. A. and High School being the teams that play for position.

Baylor, from all accounts, has been doing a little "hocus-pocusing" of the rules. It seems that at the be-

ginning of the season each first team had the option of playing its second, or having a game forfeited. Baylor led out with the forfeit arrangement, thus giving the first team a clean record. Last week, however, Baylor first forfeited to Y. M. C. A. first and this put Baylor second at the head of the league—having lost only one game and that to the first team by forfeit. Baylor immediately began to claim a perfect record for second team, saying that no game had been forfeited to first. This may be so, but it is equally true that if the game was not forfeited it should have been played.

Mart was not satisfied with the trouncing of last Saturday and another game has been arranged to be played there Monday afternoon.

The Baylor five's trip to Fort Worth and Decatur was not the uninterrupted success that had been expected. They defeated Polytechnic and split even with Fort Worth and were bested by Decatur. All games were close score affairs and it seems reasonable to suppose that Baylor will win from both Fort Worth and Decatur when the return games are played. Decatur has already defeated Fort Worth, however, and the recent victory makes them champions of the state—for the present at least.

Fort Worth Y. M. C. A. will play Baylor in Waco Friday afternoon and Saturday of this week, and Y. M. C. A. tonight. These contests will no doubt be sensational in the extreme and well worth watching.

The sad news was received Tuesday by Prof. Long of the death of his mother at her home in Millersburg, Ky. While not altogether unexpected, yet a recent improvement had given rise to hopes of her ultimate recovery, and the news of her death came as a shock to all. The Skiff and entire school extend sympathy to Prof. Long in his bereavement.

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Mr. Joe Burford of Mt. Vernon visited his sister last week.

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Manly Thomas returned Friday from a trip to his home at Whitewright.

Prof. Cruzan refereed two basketball games for the Baylor girls this week.

Did you tickle Billiken's toe.

Mrs. Edna Dunlap Stroud, student '97-'98, was a university visitor last Friday.

Misses Bertie and Zadie Kerr, ex-students of the University, were visitors last Friday.

Alex Harwood came down from Dallas last Sunday as per announcement.

Somebody put on an "automobile show" Sunday. We'd like to know who.

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About twenty-five of the girls attended services at the Central Christian church Sunday night.

No, girls, you can't "play the piano" in the gym Saturday night.

Prior Witt "went up to Hutchins to see the folks Sunday." Nine rahs for Bruceville.

Miss Vena Moore was up from Bruceville Monday night to witness "Niobe."

My work is not the cheapest, but those who know, are willing to pay the difference and get the best. Thompson, the Photographer.

Mr. L. L. Gough of Hereford, father of Earl and Leron, is among the trustees here this week.

"I like to see huggin' in a 'huggin' show."

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"Big" Wade has started on another post. Hoopla! when he cuts them all down will he begin to carve the front steps?

Mr. Fred Grether of Greenfield, Mo., was the guest of his old friend, Prof. Hamner, Tuesday.

Just received in Registrar's office, from Miss Boegeman, a very interesting kodak post card showing camel train at work making new sand bank on Suez Canal.

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Dressmaking.—Mrs. Chappell, 1323 McKinzie Avenue, North Waco.

Mrs. Maloney was here this week with her daughter, Loraine.

Coach Hardy begins on the 15th and then business picks up sure enough.

Personally, we'd like to see a little less noise in the dining room.

Sidney Smith for the swellest rigs in the city.

Five boys were expelled from A. and M. last week because of the application of a leather strap to two other boys—that is, for hazing.

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Miss Reeves, assisted by Miss Mary Bain Spence, gives a recital at Mart tonight. Miss Reeves has given several concerts before this at Mart and it seems that she is deservedly popular there.

The Add-Ran and Shirley Literary Societies are taking steps to promote inter-society and eventually inter-collegiate debating by means of semi-private contests to be held during the rest of the year. This step was taken because of the fact that all "old men" graduate this year and it is necessary to develop material for next year's contests.

The following clipping from the Woodward (Oklahoma) Bulletin will be of interest to everyone. Mr. McKinney graduated with the class of '04. He was the founder and first editor of the Skiff. It is not known where Mr. McKinney will go now, but we wish him prosperity and happiness wherever he may go.

"E. S. McKinney Tuesday night tendered his resignation as pastor of the Christian church here with request that same be acted upon at once. The church board accepted his resignation. Mr. McKinney has served the church here nearly five years and during his pastorate has been actively identified with the welfare of the community. He has a large circle of friends and acquaintances extending all over the county and his resignation causes the keenest regret. During his services here his church has grown from a very small beginning to one of the strongest in the city and this growth has been very largely the outcome of his efforts."

The following is an effusion of the North Waco correspondent of the Semi-Weekly Tribune. We don't comment on it, we only publish it. These young men have a plan of exercise,

Which we think is very wise; After each day's work is done, They hit the road and off they run, But now young men of the T. C. U., The writer will suggest another plan to you: In the field by which you go, We expect to see some cotton grow; Now this is the plan; If you wish to know, Come and bring a good sharp hoe, And each one tackle a cotton row.

Is it baseball, tennis, track or gym for you? If none, then it's time to get busy. You don't grow in strength, mental vigor or good looks by sitting around watching the other fellows do things. The best students will be found taking their athletics every evening. There's room for all. Get out and do something.

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Thursday announcement was made that the old order of going out of the dining hall would be reversed—the boys going out first. We suppose there is a wherefore, but no one has been able to discover it. To the "stay-lates" no difference is discernible.

**MORE BASEBALL.**

Later: Information has just been received that the Waco league people have sold their franchise to Oklahoma City and Waco will not have a league team this year. This means that Manager Barnard can go to work on his schedule and it will probably be almost complete by the latter part of next week. It is to be regretted that Waco has no league team this year—we'd like the pleasure of trouncing them for one thing—but it's a good thing for the association's finances.

The new suits have arrived. They are navy blue with a white stripe, white belts and caps and stockings to match the suits. These suits will be distributed until the team is "made" to anybody except the pitchers, but "Ran," "Big Un," "Ty" and "Runt" sport them this afternoon.

**ORATORY NOTES.**

The play "Niobe" as presented by the Dramatic Club on Monday night was a big success from a financial standpoint at least, about \$65 being realized. From the favorable comment, we believe the club scored a success in other ways as well as financial.

Miss Gladys Hudson has organized a class in oratory at Walnut Springs and spends two days out of the week at that place.

Two students from the department are to read at Valentine Club receptions. These are Misses Shannon and Hudson.

The Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Reeves, is to begin work soon on a college play which is to be presented at the auditorium in the city. The club feels that in undertaking this, it is attempting something bigger and better than it has done heretofore, but we feel sure that the efforts of the club in their undertaking will be attended with success. Further announcements will be made later.

**JOAK.**

Miss Martin was trying to explain a problem in Geometry when Jim White calmly remarked, "Prof. Alexander, you can't get blood out of a turnip."

In the art room we have an original sketch of the Poe cottage mentioned in the January Bookman by the following lines by John B. Tabb: Here, where to pinching penwy and glome Of Death was wedded, came Immortal Love And Genius, with all the pomp thereof, To consecrate a temple and a tomb.

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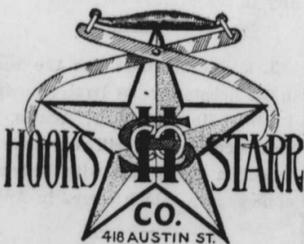
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