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Freshman-Sophomores Rush

The long expected has happened. The Freshman at last, goaded in to activity by the taunts of the Sophomores augmented by the hints from the upper-classmen, resolved to show their power and bravery by raising on the flag pole of the University campus their flag of black and gold. A few loyal and brave Freshman girls went down to the city, secured the cloth and made with as much pride as weighed in the heart of Betsy Ross, their flag and gave it to the boys who were to raise it and maintain it for a certain time, daring the Sophomores to try to haul it down. Sunday night was chosen as the time and when a late hour had arrived the Freshmen began to move cautiously and slowly about the buildings. The Sophomores perceived an unusual amount of activity and eager inquiring faces among the Freshies and had an intuition that the boast was soon to go into effect. The Sophs aroused as many of their men as could be found and went out upon the campus in halting distance of the flag pole. Meanwhile the Freshies had congregated in a room on third and there went into council for plans of operations. "Redwater" Anderson was chosen commander-in-chief of the Freshman forces. Gigantic plans were formulated as to how to outwit the serious Sophs.

One of their number was provided with rope and flag and together with his class moved silently and cautiously out upon the campus. Meanwhile the Sophs had been waiting in uneasiness and expectancy, when all of a sudden without any warning and halloo the Freshies made a marvelous "dash for the pole." The attempt was successful. A Freshman was pushed up the pole and before the Sophs could reach him he was up and fastening the flag high above the heads of the throng that had by this time arrived to witness the festivities. A tremendous shout went up from the Freshman forces. Thus taunted the plucky Sophomores went each for a man and down he went with him to the cold and wet earth. A great scene of confusion ensued, Sophs on Freshies and Freshies on Sophs dotted the ground everywhere. The heavy dull thud of a fallen foe and a groan now and then told the story of a struggle that had ended with some classman down. For twenty minutes most the battle raged with uneven tenor and result. At first the Sophs exhibiting splendid pluck seemed to win in the ground struggle, but one by one the Freshies overcame them and by testimony of the great crown of students neutrally engaged scored the advantage in the conflict. The Sophs, discomfited, would retreat, form ranks and charge again at the pole, and the brave defenders. Each

charge was followed by a continued contest of several minutes which in most cases was won by the Freshman on account of a preponderance of numbers. The Sophomores had all the pluck common to Spartans but the Freshman had a grim determination to hold the fort and the large numbers and advantageous position allowed them to hold the enemy in check.

Both classes rested from the conflict each desiring time to gain a little wind and rest. Some upper-classmen built several large bonfires on the campus to relieve the suffering of the combatants and also to draw greater crowds to the conflict. The huge blaze attracted more students out and by the time the contestants had rested and gained a little strength an immense crowd had assembled to witness the final attempt. The Sophs seemed to rally their forces for the final assault. The Freshmen were awaiting them and nerved to the highest point the two classes met in mortal shock and hung and wavered in the conflict until the Sophs realizing that they could not pull down the flag nor overcome the schools of "Fish" withdrew from the field. The shout of victory rang from the throats of the Freshies and the scene of carnage ended.

All during the long night a strict vigil was kept by the wary Freshman for fear of another assault. They dared not leave the flag, so they slept on their arms that night, with pickets and sentries safely posted and a good armed squad about the flag.

The Sophs went to their rooms and after a short consultation each retired to his room and went to sleep, but he carried with him orders for the morning's work. The Freshman were to keep the flag flying till 7:30 in the morning. Another attack would be made.

So while the Freshman shivered and shuddered in the cold night wind and had visions and dreams of Washington's men at Valley Forge, they still kept warm in their heart a love for the old flag that flapped in the breeze, and dared face the north wind's challenge rather than leave the colors to the danger of the enemy. The Sophs slept soundly, it is said, during the night and had a laugh at the privations inflicted on the Freshman of lying on the cold ground all night and changing guards and sentries at stated intervals. So the night went, the night that had witnessed the triumph of the black and gold, the night that had roused even the bookworm, causing him to turn over in the bed, the night that had brought on the conflict of Freshman and Sophomores.

Shortly after daybreak the next morning the Sophs arose from a night's rest and marched downstairs with grim determination written in their faces to

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play the Spartan. Arming themselves with balls of cotton saturated with gasoline, they approached the Freshman ramparts and shelled their position. The flag was struck several times but it failed to catch fire from the missiles and the Sophs were met with a terrific onslaught from the Freshman guards. The battle line wavered but only for an instant for the Freshies inured to hardship by the past night's privations and exposures soon proved too great a match for the Sophs and so the latter again were forced to accept the harsh verdict of defeat. The Freshman determined to end the conflict once and for all, secured ropes and thongs and one by one downed the struggling Sophs and tied them hand and foot and left them laying around the bonfires limple and almost motionless. This was a bitter dose, but they had to take it. The bound Sophs were gathered up and placed around the base of the flag pole and a picture of the saddened group taken to be furnished the historian of the future.

The whole campus was filled with the students who had arisen and come out in time to see the discomfiture of the Sophs. The picture was brilliantly illustrated by a few dashing attempts by brave Sophomore girls playing the Molly Pitcher act to cut the thongs that bound their classmates down. This proved useless for as fast as they would release them the Freshmen would tie them down again.

The hour, when the flag would be hauled down by the Freshman according to the challenge, was now fast approaching. The Sophomores now felt that their last chance was gone. Tied,

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taunted and tugged at by friends and foes, they were forced to lay prisoner while the Freshman exulting at their victory, sent a men up and brought down the flag that had so long waved proudly over their ramparts gleaming. The flag was torn into souvenirs and each Freshman bore away tucked into his bosom a bit of the precious cloth that had cost so much fighting and struggling. Then magnanimous to the vanquished, they released the Sophs who quietly arose, smiled at their victors, and left the field.

Thus began and ended the great Freshman-Sophomore class rush. Be it said to the credit of both victor and vanquished that a hearty good spirit prevailed throughout the rush and no one was seriously hurt, or lost his temper to any great degree. They were all friends in the same school, but were in different pews. They met and fought it out and it is now all history in which the Freshman read himself a victor and the Sophomore, like an old ex-Confederate, still loves and talks of the lost cause.

The verdict of the writer, made from an unprejudiced view and at a safe distance from the scene sufficient to allay all fear of heat or excitement, is that the Freshman without doubt executed their enterprise with head work and skill and won a glorious victory. Too, that the Sophomores had pluck to be envied by one of "The Old Swiss Guard" and that the manner in which they faced fearful odds puts them on record as having nerve and daring. The charge of "Yellow" can not be brought against them. We doff our hat to their bravery and sacrificing spirit. The last charge was to them a sacrifice such as Napoleon vain would make at Waterloo. They knew that the Freshman could overpower them, yet they faced the inevitable with the courage and the daring appropriate to an old "Hussar." Nine rahs for the Freshman! Nine rahs for the Sophs!

The one predominating and alleviating spirit of the late class rush was the spirit of friendliness exhibited after the contest was ended. Classes have fought ere this and patched up after so long a time a peace; but where in all the history of class rushes have they waged war as relentless as did Rome and Carthage, then magnanimously accept the arbitrament of force and swung into line with good fellowship and live with each other in dreams and reminiscences of the great battle. Sophs and Freshman still sleep together. "They have beaten their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. The war is over. Peace reigns."

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ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETS

Jno. Bateman Elected Manager '10—
Hardy Elected Coach

At the meeting of the Athletic Council last Thursday night John F. Bateman of Eddy was elected manager of the football team for '10. This selection is a splendid one for Bateman is logically the man for the place. He has manifested at all times a decided business ability and his popularity among the students will put him in an advantageous position to do the work required of him well. His interest in and support of athletics heretofore warrants the expectation that he will push the management and every movement to increase our efficiency and standing in that phase of college life.

J. L. White, Jr., was elected as assistant manager. Jim's work in this line during the season just closed has been successful and he will make a valuable assistant for next season. He is a strong supporter of athletics and is popular with the student body.

Mr. Ellis Hardy of Waco, coach for several years past, was elected coach for the baseball team of '10. Mr. Hardy needs no recommendation to the student body. Everybody knows him and his "hardy nine" of '08. He led the champion college baseball team of the state and can do it again. Everybody is glad to know that he was re-elected.

The Council voted to publish an official handbook, giving all forms of athletics now participated in at the University and many other things of interest.

SHIRLEYS ELECT OFFICERS

Tomlinson New President

At the election of officers for the Shirley Literary Society last Monday, Roy Tomlinson of Hillsboro was elected President, L. B. Gough of Hereford Vice President, Milton Daniels of Waco Secretary, W. C. Ferguson of Alpine Treasurer and H. B. Dabb of Taylor Sergeant-at-Arms. B. B. Wade of Elgin was elected first critic and H. G. Twyman of Bonham second critic.

Freshman Isaacs to Sophomore: Miss Irby, holding her by the arm during the Freshman-Sophomore rush, said: "I hate to do it, Miss Irby, but I have got to."

Dropped a Collar Button

The monitor on fourth floor, hearing a noise near Dugey's room, went in and inquired if he had been making a noise. Dugey replied, "No, sir." Monitor: "I heard a noise in here all right."

Dugey: "Well, Mr. Dabbs, I did drop a collar button but I picked it up so that it wouldn't make any noise."

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THE NEW BUSINESS MANAGER

Hulsey Succeeds Holbert

Mr. B. B. Hulsey assumes the control of the business department of the Skiff to take the place of Mr. Barney Holbert, resigned.

Mr. Holbert was forced to give up his work on the Skiff staff on account of heavy work. He has on his hands as a Senior a large share of the "Horned Frog" work and as the annual is a more important work to him as a Senior, he, forced to relinquish one, gave up the Skiff. We regret very much to lose him for the Skiff has flourished under his management as never before. The fact that his ability and experience will be turned to "The Frog" causes the school to lose nothing, only the editor feels the loss of transferred ability.

Mr. Hulsey, the new manager, comes to the work well equipped and qualified and his aptitude will add much to the Skiff to offset the loss of Mr. Holbert. The Skiff is still in worthy and capable hands and friends, readers and patrons need feel no fear from the change. Pay your subscriptions, support the paper, bear with the editor in his reforms and all will go well.

The recent class rush exemplified the finest college spirit that we have seen anywhere. It was all carried out in the best of humor much to the delight and entertainment of the upper classmen. The Freshman-Sophomore conflict was such as gives to college life that glad some fling and happy remembrances that will cling to us when rules and axioms loaded with the centuries dust is forgotten. It is that spirit that bubbles over in youthful sports and sustains a man in his life struggle and forms the frame work of his dreams and visions of old age. It makes college life worth the living.

The personnel of our Supreme Court shows it to be from a physical standpoint, an old man's confirmatory, each of the mighty associates growing old and with no seeming intention of retiring. Several of them are far beyond the age limit and according to the sense of our Constitution ought to retire. They have the permission of the government to retire on salary which means that they are expected to do so. But each one of the old men is saying to the other, "After you, my dear Alphonse," only to hear the rejoinder, "After you, my dear Gaston," and so they remain on the bench of the Supreme Authority when their bodies are wearied with much age and their minds are dimmed with much service. The government is good to its servants and the servants should be good to the government and retire when the government hints in such strong terms that it wishes them to do so.

Christmas, the world's holiday, is approaching with the fleetness of Lapland's reindeer. The old year is writing its own epitaph in each gust of December wind and whisk of snow. Xmas will put the period at the end of the epitaph. Are you getting ready to celebrate the event which comes but once a year? Beyond the Alps lies the plains of next year. Get ready to cross the divide.

A Sonnet to "Marse Jim"

Backward, turn backward, oh time in your flight,
Feed me on a meal just for tonight;
I am so weary of sole-leathered steak,
Soggy biscuit and galvanized cake,
Oysters that sleep in a watery bath,
And butter (?) as strong as Goliath of Gath.

Weary of paying for what I can't eat,
Chewing up rubber and calling it meat;
Backward, turn backward, how weary I am,
Give me just one more swipe at mother's jam;
Let me drink milk that hasn't been skimmed,
And let me eat chicken whose whiskers are trimmed;
Let me once more have old-fashioned pie,
And then I'll be ready to curl up and die.

"AUNT TUT."

Prof. Kinsey, in General History class: Who was Hannibal?
E. D.: He was the feller that crossed the Delaware.

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This argument brings me around to a local application of the topic. There are toadies in our school. There are those who toady and play the lapdog, fawn and cringe, hang on the sleeve of some more stalwart soul, on account of position or influence, just in order

to take a kick and get a bone. God forbid! Deliver me from that kind of student. I don't want to live in modern times and under the geni of a modern institution and play the part of a vassal of a thousand years ago. I am going to render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and for the rest I am going to look every man in the face as my equal until I prove myself by action or merit his tool. When I have become some man's tool and I find it out then I am going out into the wilderness, dress in a suit of sunburn and start from nature up again and see if I can't beat my former record I would, wouldn't you?

THE EDITOR'S LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: Please bring us a large bundle of stories, poems or essays, the kind that can be used at any time of the year. Send good ones, as we have inherited enough of the other kind. Be sure that they are corrected or in themselves correctors. Put all the commas in, change all misspelled words and of course have them written so we can read them, as it is a little perplexing when we can't make them out. Fill our stocking (Skiff box) full of bright and beautiful bits of news, chug it full to the top so that when we wake from our night of editorial despair we can feast our soul on literary manna sweet. Even so come quickly, dear Santa.

We are yours in gratefulness,
EDITOR.
P. S.—Don't bring any toys. No, none at all. When we were boys we acted as a boy, but now we are an editor.

The editor has been charged as not being "ethical." We have always tried to do the right thing whether it appeared "ethical" or not. We have our own office code to live by and to die by if necessary, but we refuse to be "ethical" in the sense of the charge. Down with ethics and let the editor speak. If not "ethical," he at least is careful.

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G. N. Anderson Elected President

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President, G. N. Anderson.
Vice President, Edgar Bush.
Secretary, Charles Bussey.
Treasurer, Cullen Graves.
Sergeant-at-Arms, B. B. Hulsey.

The administration of the retiring President, B. B. Hulsey, has been one of the most active and effectual of the year. The society has enjoyed under his forceful administration a rapid rise of interest and usefulness. The programs have all been interesting, large numbers present each time and a strict enforcement of all executory measures. The incoming President and cabinet are efficient men and will easily guide the good project to a fuller sphere of work.

This was the last meeting of the year and a summary of the work shows one contest won, splendid open session program and one magnificent reception to the Clark Society.

In view of the efficient service of Mr. Hulsey, the society voted unanimously to commend his administration.

S. C.'s of C. S. Entertained

Last Friday night at 9:30 the S. C.'s of the C. S. in the "Old Curiosity Shop" entertained in honor of Sally Brass's eighteenth birthday. The girls seated themselves in Japanese style around the legless table. After the sumptuous feast toasts were given in honor of Sally Brass and absent friends(?). A short program was given and short talks on various subjects were made by each member. Each girl was assigned a place in the Shop and sang her favorite song. During the program they were constantly disturbed by the gentle (?) rapping of some neighbor whose eyelids were heavy with a desire of sleep. After gym exercise the S. C.'s decided to further celebrate Sally's birthday by spending the night with her.

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He made a run around the end,
Was tackled from the rear,
The right guard sat upon his neck,
The fullback on his ear.

The center sat upon his legs,
Two ends sat on his chest,
The quarter and the half back then
Sat down on him to rest.

The left guard sat upon his head
The tackle on his face,
The corner was next called in,
To sit upon his case. —Ex.

Student Recital

The second student recital will be given Friday night, December 17th. All those who remember the splendid talent of the first recital will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing this one.

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Miss Dora Terrell has returned to her home at Quero, Texas.

Miss Pauline Taylor's mother is visiting her this week.

Miss Velma Ellis has withdrawn from school.

Miss Nora Gorman has returned to her home.

Mrs. Rayburn is visiting her daughter, Rith, this week.

Mr. Mullens visited his daughter, Genevieve, on Monday.

Miss Culpepper chaperoned Misses Jack Moore, and Callie Wright in a box party to see "The High School in Vaudeville" on last Wednesday evening.

Barney Holbert, our business manager, is spending a few days with home-folks at Wellington, Texas.

Miss Jack Moore's mother visited her on Sunday.

Mr. Paul Stark is visiting his sisters and mother at the University this week.

Mr. C. W. Gibson is visiting his daughter, Kathleen, today.

Mr. F. M. Miller of the city and official of the University, was a pleasant visitor Tuesday.

Bro. Chalmers writes a good letter in this week's Skiff. Read his comments on Esau's attitude toward Wood.

Dr. Lockhart, Profs. Anderson, Lewellen and Faris all attended the Lectureship at Dallas last week. They reported a great meeting and students will note with great satisfaction that several mass meetings were held in interest of our school. A great deal of interest was manifested in the plans and aims of the University.

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PRESS ASSOCIATION

Gives Banquet Under Auspices of Officers

The officers of the Press Association of Texas Christian University tendered the Association a banquet in the Society Halls last Wednesday night. In many ways it was one of the most unique affairs ever consummated in T. C. U.

At 8 o'clock Toastmaster Grundy W. Stevenson led the gaily dressed company into the Shirley Hall, which had been provided with banqueting table and commodious seats. After a few introductory remarks concerning the life of a college journalist and the purposes of the organization he introduced Mr. Earl Gough of Hereford who responded to the toast, "Is Our Association Growing?"

Mr. Gough proved himself an able and interesting speaker, eliciting applause many times.

Next Miss Lucille Wolford was introduced and gave a selection of rag time music. It was thoroughly enjoyable and many hearts beat to the rhythm and the movement as the skilled pianist made the keys her nimble messengers.

After the music had died away Mr. R. E. Abernathy of Bonham was introduced as the gentleman from the "Bois d'arc country," and responded to the toast "Anything." His lively wit and flashes of oratory brought down the house with tremendous applause. With much latitude in his subject, he merged it with longitude and found his bearings to Dallas via Forney. Here, en route, he felt a tug at his coat and a "wee sweet" voice saying behave, and amidst continued applause he sat down.

The last number of the intellectual feast of the evening was a piano number by Miss Mary Riter of Forney. A skilled musician, she played on the hearts of her listeners and "Dorie" was found enraptured with the music. Her number was a classical production and rendered in a skillful way.

At the close of this program the committee on arrangements, Misses Wolford, Culpepper and Riter, took charge and provided the company with a menu of unique design. The card read as follows:

MENU

Punch a la Nectarine
Puree of Dixie
Tutti Frutti Cakes
Bon Bons

To the surprise and astonishment of the guests, guileless of the meaning of the menu, the committee sent in, in old-fashioned tin cups some real old family buttermilk, accompanied by a good sized piece of cornbread, the kind that mother makes on a tin plate. The frugality and uniqueness of the plate provoked uncontrollable laughter, but soon all were homesick as they tasted the good old "cornbread and buttermilk." "Ader Estina" at the end of the table set precedent by drinking out of a large tin bucket and soon all buttermilk had vanished from the cups. The "tins" were soon refilled and full many a goodly quaff was taken of the real old article, the kind that made us husky youngsters. Delectable "red stick" candy was served up as a desert and after all had been dealt with homelike the tables were cleared and the remainder of the evening was spent in games. Before clearing away the fragments the toastmaster explained that it was such plain frugal fare that made our forefathers great. That it was such banqueting that made the fathers brave, honest and steady and adured his fellow journalists to bear in mind as they partook of such fare, the honesty and tactfulness of our forefathers and ever be ready in print or speech to uphold and cherish the legacy of those old heroes in homespun.

The evening spent itself in prodigality, giving to each guest his full round quota of enjoyment, his share of the substantial of life.

The officers giving the banquet were President G. W. Stevenson, Vice President Earl Gough, Secretary Lucille Wolford, Treasurer Ada Culpepper, Sergeant-at-Arms R. E. Abernathy and Press Reporter Mary Riter.

The members present were B. B. Hulsey, C. M. Hall, B. B. Wade, and Ada Culpepper from the Skiff staff; John F. Bateman, H. B. Dabbs, Elizabeth Higginbotham, Earl Gough, Lucille Wolford, Mary Riter, Myrtle Tomlinson and Robert Abernathy from Collegian; H. B. Dabbs, Misses Wolford and Tomlinson and B. B. Hulsey from Horned Frog.

The guests of honor were Misses Riter, Gough and Hackney.

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RELIGIOUS NOTES

Church Announcements December 19th "Would Paul make the first team?" will be the subject of the sermon on Sunday night by the pastor, Colby D. Hall. The series of Sunday school lessons just closing on Paul's life will make this subject of special interest. The choir will lead in the thirty minutes song service.

The morning sermon will be a Christmas theme. Let us make the last Sunday before the holidays a helpful one by having everybody together in church.

Sunday School Notes

"I was on time; were you?" Did you wear one last Sunday? Come by 9:45 next Sunday and get one. About half the school came on time last time.

"This is the largest crowd of boys I have ever seen in Sunday school," said Prof. Hammer, the "sing leader," last Sunday morning. This is a result of the class organizations. The athletes reached their high water mark, 29 the Baracas made their highest record of 25, while the "Hammer class" brought up its good dependable standard, as of old.

The girls classes will have to get a move on them, else they will lose their record of being ahead of the boys.

"116 a year ago, 227 today," is the showing. Lacking only five of being double of last year. Good record and good work going on.

The drill on the life of Paul given by Bro. Hall's class last Sunday was evidence that the boys are learning something they carry away with them. The drill was quite complimentary to the boys.

Miss Reeves' class goes steadily on in spite of their teacher's absence. This is the largest class of girls and a good one.

The two younger classes, Mrs. Cockrell's and Mrs. Hall's, are doing good work. The latter has made a specialty good record in percentage of attendance and new pupils.

The younger girls in Miss Hudson's class have a good crowd and a fine chance to grow. Watch them. "The best Sunday school in Texas," is rapidly growing toward its aim.

The offering next Sunday goes for the support of the local church work. Let's make it ten dollars.

The Add-Rans Entertain

On Wednesday the Clark Girls received cards which read:

The Add-Ran Literary Society At Home Saturday, December the eleventh, Nineteen hundred and nine From eight thirty to eleven o'clock President's home.

The Clark Girls were thrilled with joy when they read the above and could hardly wait for the time to arrive, for all know when "Big Brother" entertains it is always an enjoyable affair. At the appointed time, Saturday evening, the doors of Dr. and Mrs. Lockhart's home were thrown open, and there the Add-Rans awaited the arrival of their sisters, the Clarks. They arrived at eight thirty and from that minute on, all enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

After all had assembled and had been greeted by the Add-Rans with a cordial welcome, Ader Estina called things to order by saying "All of you come in this reception room. 'Dory' wants to make a speech."

Then Mr. B. B. Hulsey arose and in a few well chosen words gave all the guests a very hearty welcome. Next on the program was a vocal solo, sung by Miss Lois Wilkes, which did credit to herself and the Clarks. Then Mr. Clarence Hall read a very original journal, composed of jokes and local hits. It was highly enjoyed. Next on the program was a reading by Miss Una Jackson. She proved herself to be a reader of rare ability and her excellent reading was enjoyed. Mr. Bonner Frizzell then favored the audience with an address. We are always glad to have the old students as well as the old members of the society with us. Come again, Mr. Frizzell.

Then a dainty salad course was served and shortly afterwards the lights sent their warning, and we knew the meaning. Only fifteen more minutes and surely we must spend them on the campus. Out the door with one skip we reached the ground. Then we strolled over to the Girls Home, thinking we had ample time, the party suggested, once down to the gate and back toward home. But, no! No! Ting-a-ling! Ding! Dong! What Oh, Miss Watson's bell! "Good night, boys. Come in girls." Not a rush, but a gradual concentration for the door. Three words—no more. A hand clasp. Good night. 'Tis done. Wishes for the return of such an occasion.

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We doff our editorial cap to the club diligent! May other clubs and societies set up and take particular notice. Push your business. Be diligent in season and out of season and you will flourish as the green bay tree and "The Bunch."

Dedicated by a "Fair One" to J. A. B. Here's to brown-eyed John, The boy I love the best; Tho' all the world would say him false, I'd never put him to the test.

Here's to light-hearted John, Who always wears a smile; Which makes a girl feel, That all is worth the while.

Prof. Parks: Mr. Goodwin, please define the spinal chord. Goodwin: "It's the chord that runs through your body. Your head is on one end and you sit on the other."

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