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AUSTIN COLLEGE FALLS A VICTIM

Varsity Wins First Two College Games of the Season

First Game, Score 3 to 0

A large crowd of students saw Varsity defeat Austin College at Katy park on last Thursday in the opening game of the season. King's concert band from Reisel with the band boys from T. C. U. furnished splendid music, and the old time "pep" that the students had coupled with the class of baseball played by each team reminded one of a mid-season game. Austin College has the best club that she has had in several years and they played a class of ball that will make any team get up and hustle in order to score. They play a nice clean game and the kind of one that we all like to see.

The game was one that might really be called a pitcher's battle between Tyson and Lowery. Each pitcher struck out twelve men, while Tyson allowed only three hits to his opponent's five.

In the first there was not a fair ball hit, Tyson and Lowery each striking out the first three men that faced them. Tyson seemed to have everything and delivered the kind of breaks and steam that is hard to find in the big league. The fact that not a man reached third base and only three were successful in getting to second shows that he was never in any sort of a hole and was at all times master of his situation. We all knew that old Ty had everything in the world in the way of breaks and steam and we know now that with Buster receiving Ty will deliver the goods in neatly done up packages. The all round good playing of Buster and the base running of Lamonica were the features of the game. The Sherman boys had to try going to second three times before they found out that they could not steal on the perfect pegging of Buster. After going to second on a wild throw one man tried going to third but was caught by Buster to Kerr. Buster also caught one man venturing too far from first base. Lamonica walked, stole second and third in the first inning and then again in the third inning beat out a bunt and stole second and third. He also hit five hundred.

The first three innings went off with three up and three down, excepting a two-base hit by Buster in the second and also a two-bagger by Fuller in the second. Each team is credited with a fast double in this inning. For T. C. U., Buster, on receiving third strike, caught a man off second. For Austin College, Lowery, pitcher, caught a bunt by Snapp and threw Buster

out at third on attempting to work the squeeze play.

In the fourth inning, Brewster, first up, started the batting rally by getting a two-bagger. Kerr, next up, struck out, and Buster was hit by pitched ball. Baldwin came up for a hit just over third, scoring Brewster and sending

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Webb Evangelistic Team

The Webb Evangelistic Team will be open for summer engagements immediately after the end of school. This remarkable team is composed of Prof. Polk C. Webb of T. C. U. and his two sisters, at present students in the University. Prof. Webb is a strong preacher and his two sisters very accomplished singers. They had an extremely successful season in Georgia last year

at the close of which the Atlanta Constitution, the greatest paper in Georgia, had the following to say:

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the past year have been President Chas. McDonald of Baylor, Vice President E. S. Sansom of Southwestern, Secretary Christine Woldert of C. I. A., Corresponding Secretary Mary Riter of T. C. U., and Treasurer D. M. Templeton of Trinity. The newly elected officers for the coming years are:

President Geo. Holmes, Daniel Bak-

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SOUTHWESTERN STUDENTS CONFERENCE OF Y. M. C. A.

Convenes at Seabrook, Texas, June 10—Great Opportunity for a Summer Study Outing—Prof. Cockrell to Be One of the Workers and Speakers.

The Southwestern Student Conference of Y. M. C. A. will convene on the Gulf at Seabrook, Texas, in June, beginning on the 10th and closing on the 19th. This will be one of the finest opportunities for summer study offered in the State. It will combine study, chautauqua and outing into one great purpose of culture. The Y. M. C. A.'s of the whole Southwest will be there in strong representation and a great time is expected. Some of the greatest speakers in the United States will be there in addition to other drawing features. The program of the whole convention will be planned with reference to the largest efficiency of each College Association and at the same time with reference to the greatest development of the individual delegate. The morning will be given over to the study of the Y. M. C. A., its movements and its problems and institute work of varied order. The afternoons will be given to recreation, hunting and fishing at the Seabrook Hunting and Fishing club, ball games, etc. This combination of study and recreation should favorably impress every student who is pondering as to how to spend a part of the summer. No better place could be selected for a vacation trip.

Many will be interested to know that one of our own teachers will be a speaker on the programs and a worker in the Institute. Prof. Egbert R. Cockrell will make several addresses and teach the Challenge of the City. Everyone knows what a student of city life and city problems Prof. Cockrell is and his addresses will be one of the features of the conference. It is also planned that Prof. Hanner carry a bunch of the Glee Club boys down and sing at the programs.

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The matron of the Girls Home has actually, since last week's issue, granted a few privileges to young men. A little reform helps.

The recent Y. M. C. A. convention in the city of Waco has been an opportunity to all our students to hear some strong talks from the strongest men of the country. It has indeed been a convention of great men and great accomplishments. It has been the good choice of our chapel committee to secure a number of speakers from time to time for our chapel services. All of these have been an inspiration to the student body, for the majority of the Y. M. C. A. speakers in Waco at this time have been college men and have been able as they have appeared before us, to bring a message to college students.

The action of the student body a few days since in pledging loyalty to any action that the Board of Trustees might take with reference to the future of our school, is deserving of much praise. Where utmost confidence exists between a student body and its management there is always perfect harmony and fine spirit of progress in a school.

The resolution of the student body in its meeting was that they had implicit faith and confidence in the business ability and fairness of the Board and from that wished to express their willingness to abide wholeheartedly by any decision that they might make with regard to the future of the school. This will of course be an inspiration to the Board to know that the sentiment of the student body is so kind and magnanimous. Such is an index to the spirit of T. C. U., the spirit that has always won for it a place in the college world.

The Skiff is supposed to represent, as far as the editor can interpret, the sentiment and the mind of the student body of T. C. U. While the editor feels to act with the same prerogatives that any other free born editor would in his efforts at editorials, yet he wishes to make them conformable to the sentiments of the student body. We do not pose as a great influential paper and we do not attempt to criticize things in the country that other large papers do, but when it comes to matters in the University we feel that we have the same right to condemn and criticize the acts and purposes of the officials of the University when they trespass too far the grounds of authority, as do the larger papers of the country in the acts and deeds of the public officials of the country. This is one of the purposes of a good newspaper. The Skiff will feel at liberty as the organ of the student body to speak against any one who works to the detriment of the prosperity of the school. Let them rave who will, we see our duty in a matter and we will act, and act justly as the case demands. We wish to respect the feelings of every one, but when it comes to matters of policy and authority, personalities sink behind the issue until the matter is settled and then personalities are to be arranged in the kindest way possible.

We flatter ourselves that some of our editorials have not been written or read in vain, but have accomplished the purpose that the student body so desired. When we can do that, the purposes of the Skiff have been accomplished.

EXCHANGE TABLE

The oldest Greek New Testament in the United States was presented by Judge A. W. Terrell to University of Texas. Mr. Terrell was formerly United States minister to Turkey and while at the court of Constantinople purchased this volume which he now gives to the State University.

Approximately 1450 men are engaged in some form of athletic activity at Yale.

In the last twenty-five years, Yale football teams have scored 8963 points to their opponents 425. Out of 300 games played, Yale has lost but twelve, four of these to Harvard, six to Princeton and one each to Columbia and West Point.

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"The Mountaineer" is the name of a new publication issuing from the Llano High School. While we hardly have the occasion to refer to High School publications, yet the breeziness and impressiveness of this young journalistic "Alp-scaler" commends itself to our attention. May the young "Mountaineer" clamber successfully to heights supernal.

During the recent College Press Association which met in Waco last week, we had occasion to look over many extra editions of the College papers. The College papers of Texas are coming to the front.

The junior edition of the "Battalion" of A. & M. comes to our desk this week, a very commendable production. We congratulate the "Bat" editor upon having such good class editions to alleviate his labors.

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THE HALL OF THE HALF WAY GREAT

Gordon Burnet McFarland's three-story name has dwindled to simply "Little Mac."

"The Romance of the Red Jersey" has been a continued story since last September. We read a chapter every day.

Bertrand Highway Camp has been inspired. He has discovered the third heaven on the campus, half way between the Girls Home and Front Gate.

The President of the "White House" cabinet has developed a recent fad. He objects to the calling of parlor meeting for the girls after supper.

The Dining Room Matron has revived. She was seen to have actually unfolded her hands.

Loy C. Wright, ex-captain of the famous '09 squad, has lost his Samsonian locks. Ex-Manager Allen, out of sympathy for the giant captain, has followed suit.

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IDEAS OF PLAIN DEMOCRAT

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Yeomen

The yeomen of old were the common people, the same whom Lincoln said the Lord loved because he made so many of them. The Yeoman of old was neither master or slave, aristocrat or serf. He belonged to the great middle class, the pivotal dash between the "bitter-sweet." The Yeomanry of a land, whether it be the England of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries or the salt of the earth today, have ever been the great conservative class from whom have come the enterprises of civilization. A great historian has recently pointed out that the results of the collective minds of our nation are the common inheritance of us all; that the public is wiser than the wisest critic and that the decision of the people, the Yeomen, could be depended upon with more certainty than the chosen few. Patriots, Minute Men, Yeomen—common people—are endearing terms to the historian when he begins to trace history to its course. They are the "keg and cider" democrats that have made the country ring with the melodies of honesty and truthfulness. They are the denizens of the Log Cabins on the hillsides that have ever been the sentinels of our safety. The cabin-crowned hilltops are the towers and turrets of our Republic Castle and as long as Yeomen stand there the country is safe. Remove them and you invite the foes of patriotism and prosperity to sweep down upon us. Remove them and you take away the security of the Sacraments of liberty. Remove them and you do take away the very prop by which we exist. Therefore let the Yeomen stand on the hilltops in their cabins with their rifles in their hands and the breath of political purity in their breasts and the touch of the evergreen of patriotism in their cheeks—the ruddy men of the mountain.

The land has hastened to decay with the advent of the wine cup, the grafters' machine and the drunken orgies of those in high places, but the place to find the pure wine of the Republic is in the home of the Yeomen who distill the wine of patriotism in their own home-brewed surroundings and drink from the gourd and the vine. They clink no golden glasses and drink over no brimming goblets, but from the plain old honest gourd on the mountain side slake their honest thirst from the rills that flow down the sides of the mountains. Their only banquet is a plain frugal fare on a punch-eon floor and their only toast is the dewdrop flung from the chalice of a rose.

Oh, God, give us more of the "Log Cabin and Hard Cider" Democracy—the Jeffersonian and Jacksonian kind! Give us more of the honest gourd and the dewdrop of the mountain home and less of the palace and drunken banquet! Give us more of the cabin homes and the rifle guards! Give us more of the kind that the time demands—plain frugal men—with honest purposes and pure intentions!

ADAM AND EVE

After God had expended five days in creating this little dog kennel of a world and one in manufacturing the remainder of the majestic universe out of a job lot of political boom material, he "planted a garden eastward in Eden and there he put the man he had formed." Adam was at that time a bachelor and therefore his own boss. He was monarch of all he surveyed and his right there was none to dispute. He could stay out all night and play poker in perfect confidence that when he fell over the picket fence at 5 g. m. he would find no vinegar-faced female nursing a curtain lecture to keep it warm, setting in order her tear jugs and working up a choice assortment of snuffles. There was no lightning rod agents to inveigle him into putting \$100 worth of pot metal on a \$15 barn. He didn't care a rap about the law of rent nor who paid the tariff tax and no political Buzzfuzz bankrupted his patience trying to explain the silver problem. He didn't have to anchor his smokehouse to the center of gravity with a log chain, set a double barreled bear trap in the donjon to keep off his hennery, nor tie a brace of pessimistic, pugilistic bull dogs in his melon patch, for the nigger with his adjustable morals and omnivorous mouth had not yet arrived on the scene. Adam then could express an honest opinion without colliding with the platform of his party. He could shoot out the lights and yoop without getting into controversy with the chicken court and being fined \$1 for the benefit of the State and \$40 for the benefit of the thieving officials. He had no collar buttons to lose, no upper vest pockets to spill out his pencils and his patience and his breeches never bagged at the knees. There were no tailors to torment him with bits of ancient history and no almond eyed he-washer woman to starch his shirt tail as stiff as a checker board.—Iconoclast.

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STUDENT BODY MEETS

Pledges Loyalty to the Board of Trustees in Any Action They May Take—Trustees Respond to Resolution in a Letter of Thanks.

At a recent meeting of the student body in Townsend Hall the motion was made that the student body make known to the Board of Trustees who are laboring so faithfully in the interests of the University, just their implicit trust and confidence in their ability and faithfulness and pledge their loyalty to any action that they may take.

Mr. G. W. Stevenson, in pursuance thereof, made the following resolution:

Whereas, we the student body of Texas Christian University have implicit confidence in our Board of Trustees, and believe that they will wisely and carefully decide upon all questions as to the future of this institution. Be it hereby

Resolved, by this student body that we pledge to them our support and make known to them that we intend to abide wholeheartedly by any action that they may take as to the location of our school. Be it further

Resolved, that we have a copy of these resolutions printed in the Skiff and the public press of Texas.

After a short discussion by several students the resolutions were passed and signed by Earl Gough, president of the student body.

As soon as the above proceedings were made known by letter to the Board of Trustees they at once responded in the following letter:

To the Students of Texas Christian University, Waco, Texas:
It has just been our pleasure to read the resolutions which were adopted by you at noon today. As a committee appointed by the Board of Trustees to conduct all further negotiations concerning the location of our University, we wish to express to you our most hearty thanks for your expression of confidence in the Board and in their

readiness to do all in their power for the best interests of the institution. Your pledge to "abide wholeheartedly by any action," which the Board may take, is an inspiration to us and will be to every member of the Board of Trustees when they hear of your action.

We are sure that you realize that we have no small task on our hands before we can reach a decision. There are many questions involved, all of which must be carefully considered. We crave the sympathy and fellowship of every student as well as every friend of the University in this crucial hour. Your timely word has been an exceedingly bright spot in the day when there have been some clouds. You will not understand us to mean by "clouds" that we are in the least discouraged. This is not true in any sense, as we believe that the future of our dear T. C. U. will be far brighter than in any day of the past.

Sincerely, your friends,
THORNTON E. SHIRLEY,
T. E. TOMLINSON,
C. W. GIBSON,
Committee.

Senior Oratory

The Senior class in oratory met and elected the following officers:

Leron B. Gough, President.
Bess Rash, Secretary and Skiff Reporter.
Una Jackson, Treasurer.

Miss Leta Pitts, Senior in music and staff officer on the Skiff, appeared on the program of the Texas Inter-Collegiate Press Association on last Thursday. Her splendid number, a piano solo, was enthusiastically received.

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Personal Notes

Miss Frankie Bonner of Lufkin is a pleasant visitor of the Misses Mentooth this week.

Mr. Johnson visited his daughter, Octa, on Sunday.

Mr. Joe Clark, an old graduate, and now a teacher in John Tarlton, visited the ruins of his alma mater on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. H. C. Kirk of Stephenville visited the University on Saturday.

John Bateman spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

T. J. Dean, Jr., spent Sunday in Alvarado, Texas.

Miss Clara Moses is confined to her bed with muscular rheumatism.

Miss Reed of Albany, Texas, visited her cousin, Douthitt Reed, this week.

Miss Rena Isaacks visited her brother, Buford, this week.

Evangelist John W. Marshall who formerly lived near the University and who has always been a strong friend to T. C. U., was a visitor during the past week.

NOTES

Mr. Dock McFarland of State University visited his brother, Gordon, at the "White House" on last Saturday.

Mrs. Hailey of Forney has been visiting her daughter, Maurine, during the past week.

The following were in attendance at the Inter-Collegiate Press Association at Baylor University last Friday: Messrs. R. E. Abernathy, voting delegate; Earl Gough, committeeman; G. W. Stevenson, speaker; C. M. Hall, B. B. Wade, L. B. Gough, John Bateman, Bertram Camp. Misses Mary Riter, Corresponding Secretary; Ada Culpepper, Elizabeth Higginbotham and Leta Pitts.

Mr. Noel C. Carr, T. C. U.'s representative in the State Oratorical Contest, left for Waxahachie yesterday. He was accompanied by Messrs. Earl Gough and G. W. Stevenson as delegates.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

A society to be known as the Library Association of Texas Christian University was organized February 10, 1910. A plan was worked out to secure the support of a large number of the friends of the institution. It is proposed that every member of the Association give the price of one "NEW" book each year to the University Library, the books being selected by the several professors of the University in order that it be the most useful.

Owing to the endowment campaign in progress at the time of organization it was decided not to begin the campaign for members till the fall but the burning of all our books in the recent fire makes it imperative for us to act immediately.

We expect to secure many hundreds of members the first year, and the total membership ought to run up into the thousands in the course of time. The spirit of the institution has refused to look upon the calamity in any other light than as a challenge to our best endeavors and we who are on the ground here confidently expect the absent members of the group to support all such plans with the old time loyalty.

The Association has prepared an emergency letter, a copy of which is being sent to all friends whose correct address we have. If you know of any of the old students or friends that would be likely to feel interested in this important detail of our work, please speak to them about it and let us have their names so that we may communicate with them.

How You May Become a Member
Write to the secretary, Miss Nell Andrew, North Waco, Texas. She in return will forward you a pledge card when on being properly filled out constitutes you a member. Let all the old friends and students who read this act immediately.

Correspondence is invited on all matters concerning the welfare of the library.

Members having files of magazines are particularly asked to communicate with the secretary.

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