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STATE ORATORICAL ASSOCIATION

Fort Worth University Wins the Contest at Waxahachie—Eight Splendid Orators Appear

The State Oratorical Contest which was held at Waxahachie on last Friday night was won by Fort Worth University. Second place was won by Baylor University. Trinity came third and State University ranked fourth in the contest. The winning oration was, "Individualism vs. Collectivism." The second oration was, "Heritage of the South."

Trinity University, who entertained the Association and under whose auspices the contest was held, proved herself a hospitable and magnificent entertainer. The whole program was great, beginning Thursday night with a magnificent banquet at the Oriental Hotel in Dallas with a special train carrying the people from Waxahachie, returning the night of the banquet and closing Friday night with the decision of the judges after the speeches.

The delegates who went with Mr. Carr to Waxahachie and attended the banquet at Dallas were Messrs. Earl Gough and Grundy W. Stevenson. Others who went up to Waxahachie to hear the contest and yell for and support T. C. U.'s representative, Noel C. Carr, were Messrs. W. Clyde Hackney, Burl Benson Hulsey, Henry Grady Twyman, Grover W. Stewart, Dibrell Melton and W. K. Mulligan. All reported a great time.

Mr. Noel C. Carr, who represented T. C. U., though not winning the contest, did himself and his school an honor in so splendidly presenting himself and his speech to that audience who gathered to hear the speaking. He drew many compliments from the Waxahachie people. Mr. Carr was fine in his delivery but lost in thought and composition. T. C. U. should feel proud of his effort, for it was good. Fort Worth was just too strong for any other school to win and that is enough said:

The program of the contest was as follows:

Luspiel Overture.....Trinity Orchestra

American Democracy and Its Third Crisis.....Polytechnic College

The Magic of the Spoken Word.....Southwestern University

America and the Naval Situation.....D. H. Templeton, Trinity University

International Peace.....State University

Individualism vs. Collectivism.....Fort Worth University

The Heritage of the South.....Q. C. Couch, Baylor University

True Patriotism.....Noel C. Carr

Texas Christian University.

Education and Reform.....Austin College

King Rose Overture.....Trinity University

One of the big features of the meet-

Entertainment

The T. C. U. quartette, with Misses Britton and Lockhart, and Noel C. Carr as readers will give a concert at Chalk Bluff Friday night, April 22nd. The party will go in Mr. W. K. Mulligan's automobile and other vehicles. They expect a good time as well as a fine concert. Mrs. Lockhart will chaperone the party. It is given by the T. C. U. Woman's Club.

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ORATORICAL BANQUET

Magnificent Event Celebrated at the Oriental Hotel at Dallas, Texas—Trinity University Charters Train and Takes Delegation to Dallas and Spreads Sumptuous Feast.

The Annual Oratorical Banquet given under the auspices of the Senior and Junior classes of Trinity University in honor of the State Oratorical Association took place last Thursday evening at 9 o'clock in the spacious dining room of the Oriental Hotel at Dallas, Texas. About 150 delegates were present at the banquet representing all the colleges and universities in the Association. The banquet was one great success from the time that the President of the Association Mr. Fred A. Chapman, led the gay crowd into the dining halls until the last gavel sounded the requiem of the feast.

The menu was as follows:

Salted Almonds
Cream of Tomato, Crouton Souffle Celery
Planked White en Brusse Potatoes Duchess
Tenderloin of Beef a la Parisienne Spring Chicken Farce in Casserole Mashed Tomatoes Green Peas Lettuce and Tomato Salad Chocolate Ice Cream Assorted Cake Coffee Neufchâtel Cheese Fruit Mints

The intellectual feast was as follows:

Toastmaster Fred A. Chapman, of Trinity University.

Toast "Just Two"—Mr. T. H. Tiley, Baylor University.

"Two's Company, Three is a Crowd"

"The Faculty"—Mr. Earl Gough, of Texas Christian University.

"Let schoolmasters puzzle their brain With grammar and nonsense and learning

Good nectar, I stoutly maintain, Give genius a better discerning."

—Goldsmith.

"The Southern Woman"—Fred Venable Hughes, of State University. "To Earth's noblest thing—a woman," —Lowell.

"The Southern Gentleman, a Born Orator"—Mr. Grady Triplett.

"There is no true orator who is not a hero."—Emerson.

"Making the Eagle Scream"—Mr. Cowan Jones, of Southwestern.

"Let the world slide, let the world go, If I can't pay, why, I can owe."—Hewood.

"One Generation Hence"—Mr. R. W. Goodloe, of Polytechnic.

"That what will come, and must come, shall come well."—Arnold.

"The Proper Use of the Big Stick"—Mr. J. W. Boyle.

"He hath no power that hath no power to use."—Bailey.

"The United States, the Half-brother of the World"—Mr. C. E. Mays.

"One flag, one land, one heart, one hand, one nation, evermore."—Holmes.

"The College Youth—the Future Statesman"—Mr. G. W. Benn, Y. M. C. A. secretary.

"The spirit of a youth that means to be of note, begins betimes."—Shakespeare.

The toast given by Mr. Earl Gough, of T. C. U., as given elsewhere in this issue, received immense applause as he struck the popular chord in the student heart of that audience when he toasted in a humorous way "The Faculty."

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OUR ORATORS

Orators Are Now On the Increase in T. C. U.—State Contests Help to Enliven Things

Mr. N. C. Carr and delegates having just returned from the State Oratorical Contest at Waxahachie, Mr. B. B. Wade and delegates just leaving for the Prohibition Oratorical Contest at Decatur, and the pending commencement oratorical contest, have all had the effect of enlivening all oratorical lines. Mr. Carr has made his record and it remains to be seen what Wade will do. We predict a good place for him in the Decatur contest. He is enthusiastic, full of pep and has a good speech. We are betting on him. The commencement contest is thrown open to all students this year and many are preparing for the bout. Let the good work go on!

During the recent fire many blunders were made and jokes pulled off. Perhaps the greatest mistake of them all was made by Abernathy. It was the morning after the fire and many students were on the campus collecting scattered books and clothing. Abernathy, very vigorously looking over a pile of bedclothing, came to a pillow and joyfully exclaimed, "Oh, Hack! Here's my pillow. I just know it is mine; if it is not mine, it sure ought to be mine." But Ab. was sorely disappointed, for just inside the slip printed in indelible ink was "R-I-T-E-R."

White House Feasts

The gentlemen of the "White House" received at the hospitable hands of B. B. Hulsey, lately returned from home, a magnificent feast, which they enjoyed from the hours of 8 to 12 Wednesday morning. A few nights before Mr. John Bateman, also a home returned visitor, gave a splendid repast, and only a week before W. Clyde Hackney presented the House with a delightful feast. The boys fare exceedingly well.

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We have a large list of delinquent subscribers among the students, alumnae and faculty, whose subscription price would be greatly appreciated at this time. The loss of the fire had affected the business department of the paper in many ways and a sudden flood of subscriptions paid in would cause a sudden rise in prosperity.

A new Texas poet has arisen. His most wonderful poem is to the "blue bonnet." Oh! that he might come and stand on our campus these days and see his flower in immortal bloom. He could rewrite the poem I believe in more glowing colors and more fanciful thought and I know with a deeper inspiration. The blue bonnet campus of T. C. U. is the most beautiful spot in Texas today.

A unique event occurred in the house of representatives a few days ago. Mr. Eugene Foss (democrat), lately elected from Massachusetts, was escorted to the speaker's chair by his brother, George E. Foss (republican representative from Illinois) to take the oath of office. It is the first time in history of congress that two brothers of opposite political faith have been members of the house at the same time. We are reminded of the episode of the Taylor brothers in Tennessee who made the race for governor of the "Old Volunteer" state, both being of opposite parties. Bob of course was elected and the brothers always remained true friends.

We do not know what to say in regard to the Foss brothers but it at least portends the day when the lion and the lamb will lie down together.

'Tis said that in the spring that a young man's fancies lightly turn to thoughts of love, baseball or books; this we think is only party true for baseball and books stand in the same relation of a populist minority in a congressional caucus. Love is the party in power while books and baseball represent the democratic minority and the insurgent leaders. Love is the "Uncle Joe" that yet retains his seat despite the attacks of the insurgents and the opposition of the minority. Love is yet the speaker and the insurgents will be whipped back into the line of harmony and the opposition will continue for the good of the cause, as usual just to give spice to the marching order of events. The pupils platform demands that legislation favorable to lovemaking be passed and stands obligated to said platform. Their speaker is in the chair and though goes the battle bravely, the speaker and the insurgents are now fawning before the chair and the opposition is vainly shooting its oratorical arrows into last year's bird nests. We do not adhere to the doctrine of filibustering or guerilla tactics in any kind of legislation yet the platform of a party must be carried out if the country's needs are reached, says the staid statesman. But listen, the party in power does not always represent the wish of the country and so sometimes the student body does not represent the real power. As in our government the power supreme rests with the people, so in our little realm there is a power behind the pupils, supreme, and to which they must answer. That power is the faculty. As the people hold the real power in our land, so the faculty holds the real power of the school.

An editorial in last week's issue aimed at the same party of an article of the week before, seems to have incurred the suspicion of several members of the faculty. It has never been our part or purpose to oppose the faculty and we have not in this instance done so. They misunderstood the article and those most active in denouncing it have on learning the true spirit of the article been most generous in their adjustment of understandings. We appreciate this on the part of the faculty. We have conducted the best paper possible for our limited abilities and this is the first time we have ever called out an expression from the faculty favorable or unfavorable. We have always asked for co-operation and counsel from that body, and though we have received it in small installments, yet we are glad to be able to meet with all their just demands concerning the policy of the editorial department of the Skiff. We wish to boost the school and scholarship of the faculty and pass as lightly over the freaks that

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Fall in while the band's a playin', Ketch the step and march along, Stead of pessimistic Brayin' Join in the hallelujah song; Drop your hammer—do some rootin' Every echo with yer tootin', Smile a few and boost a bit. —Ex.

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GRUNDY W. STEVENSON

The Ignorant, Honest, Open-Handed Farmer—Justice

There is a man in our country that lives an honest, open-handed life, free from all gall or greed or grab or gain. He is the plain, honest old farmer with homespun instincts born of his father's loins and made immortal by a plain old mother's love that never knew what hypocrisy was nor never dreamed of the evil fads and foibles of the feminine sex of today. That man is the mainstay of the nation. He is the lineal descendant of the minute men of the revolutionary period, the true scion of the fathers of the Republic. He belongs to that class that went out from New England's classic shores, from Boston or Philadelphia; it may have been where schools flourished, into the frontier and cleared a wild wood home, or into the sunny South amid the canebrake or built a home on an upland farm. There he lived for several generations away from the voice of schools, living close to nature's honest heart and tilling the soil and making it render unto him a fair and honest yield, and nothing more. He never learned the sins that grew up among his fellow men back in the east; but remained on the farm and furnished the sinews of the nation.

It is because he has done this that I write this article to give him what he has often been denied—justice. He has not received it at the hands of the historians that have made up the record of our country's history nor has he been heard in that body of laws that have been his own making, nor has he been sufficiently honored by those in whose hands he has intrusted the affairs of his citizenship or his religion. He is an atom of that great body known as the common people, who are toasted and praised as a body, but unnoticed and unrecognized in an individual way. He may be only a hayseed farmer, unlettered in the lore of books and schools, but beneath that ragged jacket beats a heart of steel and beneath that hayseed hat sets a brain unpassioned and unprejudiced; a mind that is fair in judgment and liberal in its views; a heart that is true to the needs of his fellow man and with a soul that is recognized as pure and spotless by the Judge of All Men. That kind of man needs praise. That kind of man needs to be considered in the Parliament of Man that is to sit in future days to redress the wrongs of the world and if Justice is awarded him, he will sit in that assemblage and his seat will be one of honor.

He may be ignorant as far as the lore and learning of books is concerned, yet wise in nature's open volume and superior to the sage in wisdom that is akin to inspiration. He may be ignorant, yet bear in his heart a greater fraternal feeling than any of earth heroes who boast to have bled and died in the defense of the wrongs of mankind. That man, go mark him sure is the man that wears a title—it is God's good man."

He doesn't know the difference between a grafter and a common thief, nor a boodler from a common burglar; he puts them all in the same class, which is right. He draws no fine distinction in honesty, but demands that every man shall render to every other man his just dues and respects. 'tis his only code of ethics born of his heart and immortalized by the customs of generations of honest toilers. So here is my tribute to the Ignorant, Honest, Open-Handed and Open-Hearted Farmer who is the mainstay of our nation, the pride of the countryside and ought to be the hero of the nation:

University Church Announcement
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Church, 10:30.
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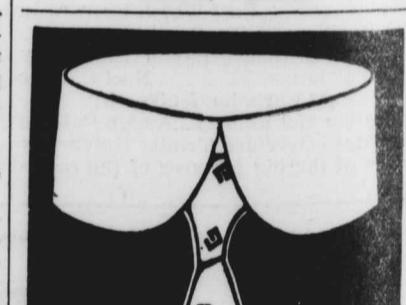
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Mrs. E. R. Cockrell, principal of the School of Art, devised one of the most unique entertainments on last Tuesday night ever given at University Heights.

The beautiful and spacious parlors of their home were opened to all students and friends. Around the walls and about the parlors were placed caricatures, especially humorous and appropriate, of the great master works of art that the world has known. The students began to arrive about 8 o'clock and were met at the door by Prof. or Mrs. Cockrell and were given a list of the paintings and drawings that might be found and it then became the pleasant task of the guests to find the caricatures and solve the more perplexing and interesting ones. In all seventy master productions were exhibited in wonderful and original caricature. Some of the most remarkable ones were "The Holy See," "Somebody's Darling," "Remains of the Music Master," "The Last of Poor Dog Tray," and "The Death of the Camel." Peal after peal of laughter burst forth as the merry groups and couples solved and appreciated the caricatures. The originality of the devices were extremely interesting.

After the joyful company had patrolled the parlors, they next found themselves confronted with a brimming bowl of punch, where fair hands ladled out the delicious drink. It was like slaking tired throats after a long search through the mines of Golconda. The remainder of the evening was spent in either recounting the pleasures of the preceding hour or accumulating new and pleasing experiences of joy and pleasure.

The company broke up about 10

o'clock and after voting Prof. and Mrs. Cockrell unexcelled hosts, wended their way back to their homes. Such functions in the homes of the members of the faculty are highly appreciated by the students and tends to make University life a pleasant memory as well as a workshop. The new art room fund received a liberal aid in this affair, one which we hope will materially aid in the new equipments.

NOTES

Mrs. Anne Salling, teacher of voice and piano, favored the chapel hour with a beautiful solo on last Tuesday morning. Mrs. Salling has a highly cultivated and charming voice and her solos are always highly appreciated. She sings at the Central Christian church in the city regularly.

Miss Ada Culpepper has had a most distinguished honor conferred upon her. She has been selected to deliver the commencement address to the graduating class of Douglass-Schuler Select School of Waco. Miss Culpepper is a graduate of this splendid private college, having finished there exactly four years ago. This comes as a distinguishing honor as she is this year taking her A. B. degree from the University. Miss Culpepper is one of the ablest members of her class and she will do credit to herself on that occasion, both as an alumnus of Douglass-Schuler and as a present year graduate of T. C. U. 'Tis seldom that a young lady is ever called upon to deliver such addresses, but when it is done, it is considered indeed a most distinguishing honor. Ader was as popular in D.S. four years ago as she is in T. C. U. today and when that is said, every student understands the height of her popularity there.

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Personal Notes

Mrs. J. L. Odell and J. L. Odell, Jr., are visiting Miss Lela Odell this week.

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Miss Douthitt Reed had a pleasant week's end visit at home last week.

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Miss George Prothro is spending a few days in Belton.

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Miss Culpepper spent Saturday in Marlin.

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Miss Clara Moses has been removed to Torbett's Sanitarium in Marlin. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

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Miss Elisha Walker spent Sunday with homefolks.

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Mrs. E. J. Moses has been with her daughter, Clara, this week.

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Miss Pippin of Waxahachie was a pleasant visitor of Miss Higginbotham on Sunday.

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Miss Lottie Watson spent Saturday in Marlin.

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Miss Gertrude Stockton spent last week with homefolks.

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Mr. William Pierce of Georgetown was a pleasant caller at the University on Monday.

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Mr. H. C. Barnard, '09, better known as "Nap", was among the Dallas visitors for Sunday.

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Dan D. Rogers, '09, better known as "Lusty," came down Sunday to view the ruins of his alma mater.

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Miss Erwin Starkey spent Saturday and Sunday in Jacksonville, Texas.

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Miss Clydia Gray spent a few days in Temple this week.

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Gordon B. McFarland visited relatives and friends at Taylor last week.

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Mr. John F. Bateman returned from a week's stay at Eddy where he has been attending the bedside of a younger brother. He reports his brother as improving.

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Messrs. Earl Gough and Grundy W. Stevenson attended a banquet in Dallas last Thursday.

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W. Clyde Hackney, president of the Oratorical Association of T. C. U., attended the great contest at Waxahachie last week.

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B. B. Hulsey, business manager, visited his home in Ladonia during the past few days.

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Grover W. Stewart and D. G. Melton were attendants at the State Oratorical Contest at Waxahachie last Friday.

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Mr. Grady Twyman attended the Oratorical Contest at Waxahachie.

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The Board of Trustees are in our midst again this week. Their well planned and diligent work we learn is nearing completion.

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Mr. Frank Baldwin who is attending the State University is visiting his old school friends here this week.

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Mr. A. W. Pleasants of the State University was a business caller this week.

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B. B. Wade left for Decatur yesterday. He was accompanied by Mr. Roy Tomlinson as delegate.

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ATHLETIC NOTES

The baseball team left for Austin College yesterday morning. 'Twill be remembered that we defeated Austin College while they were in Waco during two successive games. We are hoping that the team on its northern trip will give them the second installment of this defeating medicine. This is the first trip for the team and we are expecting a great record.

Subscription taken up in the chapel Thursday morning to defray the expenses of the delegates to the State Prohibition Oratorical Association was sufficient to meet the needs of the Association and the student body is thanked for their liberality in this matter. Messrs. Wade and Tomlinson are sent up to represent T. C. U. in the big contest. We think it very commendable in the school to try to keep in touch with all the Inter-Collegiate activities in the interest of the University. We think that it is necessary for the University to keep in close touch with state college and university functions as we need in this day more than ever before. The student with little encouragement and many hindrances are pressing nobly to the task.

A picnic was offered to the inmates of the Girls Home on yesterday but for the most part the girls did not go. There should have been a general picnic with the teachers and matrons along, but such was not the attitude. A few girls were given permission to go provided they were under the strict surveillance of the matron and doubtless they would not have been allowed to go farther than Blue Branch. What is a holiday, anyhow?

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Below is given a part of the excellent toast delivered by Mr. Earl X. Gough as T. C. U.'s speaker at the State Oratorical banquet at the Oriental hotel in Dallas a few days ago.

"The Faculty! What back does not straighten and what heart does not beat faster at the sound of that word? What power and what meaning are contained within those seven letters! A plain unassuming word, yes; but when dissected and analyzed, what does it not contain and what attributes does it not possess? That mysterious body of men who with the dignity of a king walk forth from their secluded retreats to prey upon the unsuspecting and uninformed student! That body upon which the Freshman looks with abject terror and which commands a respectful reverence in the heart of the sedate Senior! That most stern and dignified body before which the boldest heart will quail and go down in despair! That body of law-givers, that supreme court of a college whose word, yea, whose very nod of the head or the lift of the finger is law and from whose decisions there is no appeal!

Let me indulge your patience a moment while I paint you a scene. Picture the offender of the law, the erring student as he stands before this mighty tribunal of justice. See him as he moves with faltering step into that awful presence; see him wilt before that fiery glance; see his knees clasp together like the shutters of a window in a gale; hear his teeth chatter and his heart beat time to the animated music of his thoughts. Then tell me who is there that does not recognize the "allness," the vastness, the comprehensiveness, the Omnipotence of that body—the faculty? Mighty indeed is the supreme court of our fair land, but to the student that tribunal sinks into the insignificance of a bodiless jacket without sleeves when compared to that company of men commonly known as the faculty. Mighty indeed was Caesar the Great, Napoleon conquered the world, but for power and wisdom, you will search the pages of history in vain for that which surpasses the Faculty!"

STEVE'S SOLILOQUIES

"Ambition"

Why not feed on star dust? Emerson bids us hitch our go-carts to a star. The heroes of old feasted on the heaven-distributed nectar and they were able to accomplish wonders. It seems to me that the youth of today should make an attempt to break into the pantries of Pleiades or the cupboards of Orion. The bee that leads the busiest, the sweetest and the most prosperous life is the one that feeds on the pollen of earth's fairest stars—bosoms—the flowers—and why should not a mortal's life be busier, sweeter and more prosperous if he could feed on the pollen of the planets, the sweet amber dust of the stars. I can't see why any man who has the industrious instincts of the boding bee should not allow his soul filled with pollen-hunger to flit from star to star among the "forget-me-not" gardens of heaven and feed and feast until he felt the weight

of a home-longing burning beneath his wings, at which time he could return to the Hive. I see no reason why a man should be a drone when the world is busy and the flowers are sweet and harvest-home is ideal. I see no reason why any one should die a drone when flowers are nodding their approval and the "B-line" is thronged with the busy workers of the day, each with his feet filled with pollen, his heart with sweetness and his soul with a yearning to be up and doing—the impetus of ambition.

Every flower flaunts a challenge to every passing bee to stop and sip; every star of heaven imparts an inspiration and dares every man to strive with her in the courtship of ambition. So, my friend, accept the challenge of the stars and course and speed and shine and shoot and soar! It's the challenge of the stars!

You have heard of the food of the gods! I have told you about it! It was ambition!

Achievement

Man is the achiever. The animals never achieve anything. The homely beaver builds his dam just as he did two thousand years ago. Man, however, has hitched his wagon to a star and has coursed and sped and shone and soared until he stands with the mace, "Acme of Ambition," held aloft in his strong right hand, ready to sheer down the Pillars of Hercules or dam up the Milky Way and cause a panic in the dairy courts of the celestials.

What did this, muses the ancient, who stands on the verge. Ambition was a spirit let loose in the long ago and it has begotten the child of Achievement and behold the old order changeth, hastening to give place to the new. A new dynasty takes the throne of earth. Ambition now rules together with the child, Achievement, "as heir apparent. You have heard about the power behind the throne I have told you about the power on the throne. It is Achievement!"

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Notice

All clubs, societies, etc., are requested to notify the editor of changes in officers, that the directory may be kept straight. Ever and anon some one comes to us and complains of the error, when we have no way to find out when officers are changed. Let the secretary of all clubs and societies please bear this in mind.

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WACO LEAGUE WINS

Score 11 to 0—T. C. U. Loses to League
But Waits to Win Again

The Waco league visited our campus diamond last Monday afternoon and repaid our hospitality in inviting them out by landing on us to the score of 11 to zero.

Every team will have an "off-day" and we are no exception to the rule. Though we lost to the league, we wait to win. We always win, though we are not expected to startle professional leaguers or to knock them off the diamond.

The game was not very interesting from the fact that the wind all blew in one direction. We thought that we were in a storm when the score ran 3 to 0 in second inning, but we soon learned that the wind had not begun to blow. It then whipped by us in the hurricane style of 11 to zero.

Hooks pitched for Waco, allowing only two hits for the entire game, Kerr and Brewster drawing these in a loose lottery. White, for the league, planked down the money for two home runs and got value received. Tullis bought a three-bagger at low cost. Everything came cheap to the league and when they went away their spoils looked as if they had indeed been purchasing at a "marked down sale" counter. During three innings the diamond was turned into a "Derby Handicap" with the leaguers pacing a 2:40 gait. No power, it seemed, could stop the professionals. It was their day to play and they let loose their batteries, their forty-pounders, their gatlings, and their submarines.

For T. C. U. Tyson opened as pitcher and struck out the first two men who lorded it over the slab. Morton pitched the middle game and Stanfield closing out the sacrifice sale. Our playing was good at times, drawing close cards to winners, but always failed at the pinch. Brewster's pegging from deep field and closing a leaguer out on third together with a fancy high catch in mid-air by Snapper, enlivened the game for a few brief moments.

We prepared to score in the sixth inning when Wakefield led off by scheduling it into first base. Advanced by Brewster's timely two-bagger, stole third and was due at the home base, but failed to make it.

Our team is not discouraged, neither is the student body. We are not supposed to defeat professionals. The game was all right and T. C. U. was in the game.

POET-LAUREATE OF THE INDIAN RACE

The question has often been asked have the Indians a poet-laureate of their race? A recent book appearing from the pen of a Creek Indian in Oklahoma reveals the fact that a poet-laureate has appeared in the ranks of that romantic race. His name is Alexander Posey, though to his verses he has often signed the euphonious name of Chinnubbie Harjo. He has left diaries and journals recording his wanderings among the hills and valleys of the "Beautiful Land." They possess a pleasing freshness and originality and reveal the influence of his favorite prose author, Henry D. Thoreau. Posey was drowned a few years ago by the accidental overturning of his boat while crossing the Canadian river in a flood. He was only thirty-five years old at the time and his premature death robbed the world of its greatest Indian poet.

Below are given short specimens of his verse:

Night Fall
As evening splendors fade
From yonder sky afar,
The night pins on her dark
Robe with a large bright star,
And the moon hangs like
A high thrown scimitar.
Vague in the mystic room
This side the paling west
The Tuledegas loom
In an eternal rest,
And one by one the lamps are lit,
In the dome of the infinite.

To a Daffodil
When Death has shut the blue skies
out from me, sweet Daffodil,
And years roll on without my mem-
ory,
Thou'll reach thy tender fingers down
to mine of clay
A true friend still,
Although I'll never know thee till the
judgment day.

The Mocking Bird
Whether spread in flight
Or perched upon the swinging bough
Whether day or night,
He sings as he is singing now—
Till every leaf upon the tree
Seems dripping with his melody.

COURTSHIP OF A SON OF SWAT
They were seated in the parlor and the
lights were burning dim;
He was a diamond hero—she a fan
quite fair and trim;
But they knew not, as he opened up
the Game by murmuring "Love—"
That father was the umpire on the
stairway just above.

"I love your form"—he led off first—
"with me you've made a hit—
You've got the curves—you've got the
speed and you are looking fit—
Now, if with you, my Turtle Dove, I
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I'll no longer roam,
And when I slide into the plate, please
call me safe at home."

"I've got to have the Dope complete,"
the maiden softly sighed;
Show me your batting average in Mr.
Bradstreet's Guide;
It takes a lot of speed these days with
cunning and intrigue
To win a battle now and then with
the grocer's league."

"But give me errorless support—" his
heart here took a bound—
"And let me live in Big League style
and I may come around;
Unwrap the tangle from the dope and
you can cop the bet
We'll play a double-header, pal, on any
date you set."

He started warming up at once and
with a happy sigh
He whipped a fast one around her
neck—the other was waist high;
But here the umpire butted in—she
said, "O, father, please,
Don't call him out, he's showing me the
way they work the 'squeeze.'"

The Old Man gave an irate snort and
said, "I'll have the fun
By showing him another play that's
called 'the hit and run';"
He swung like Wagner at his best—a
sole-inspiring clout—

The Son of Swat slid down the steps—
the umpire yelled "You're Out!"

—Ring-Tum Phi.

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