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SHIRLEYS WIN AGAIN

THE THIRD INTER-SOCIETY CONTEST IN T. C. U. AUDITORIUM LAST FRIDAY EVENING.

ADD-RAN--SHIRLEY DEBATE

Affirmative: J. F. Bateman, B. B. Hulsey; Negative, B. B. Wade, W. C. Ferguson.

On last Friday evening the literary societies were full of interest and enthusiasm, over one of the greatest events of the school year, the Inter-society debate between the Add-Rans and the Shirleys. And in close sympathy with these were Clarks and Waitons, respectively.

The time of opening the program was eight o'clock, but the societies were assembled long before that time and were furiously hurling darts from one side to the other, in form of concert yells and songs. Never before was each side more determined and anxious for victory. Even at the hotly contested football and baseball games with Baylor in Waco, did more interest prevail. Clarence Hall and Fred Simpson, admirably led the Add-Rans and Clarks in a manner that was a credit to all. On the other side Leron Gough and Bertrand Camp faithfully did their part.

Even in the midst of cheers of delight mingled with anxiety on both sides Prof. E. R. Cockrell rose, silenced the house, and opened the program with a short interesting welcome, and explanation of the objective of the debate. The only objection one can have to Prof. Cockrell acting as speaker is that he so far exceeds the young speakers, that the impression made by the judges is likely to be lowering.

Immediately following the opening address, Miss Leta Pitts beautifully rendered "Forest Elves," by Schytte. Miss Pitts, a graduate student in Piano, is ever ready to entertain in an excellent manner.

The debate: Resolved, The annexation of Mexico to the United States would be for the best interests of the people of the United States, was announced. The time allowed was eighteen minutes each, except the first affirmative, who received fifteen minutes in his first speech, and five minutes at the last. The grading was to be given to argument and delivery, alone; sixty-five per cent to argument, and thirty-five per cent to delivery.

Mr. John F. Bateman, first speaker of the affirmative, rose and began one of the most thorough masterpieces of argumentation that are ordinarily given. He showed his positiveness in the convincing qualities of the points made, and clinched his arguments well. Mr. Bateman is a clear quick thinker, and more than once caused the house to cheer in response to his quick sharp questions and answers. The analysis of the question was perfect. When he had laid the question before the house the way was all open. No clouds remained to mar the direct statements that followed.

The first speaker of the negative, Mr. Braxton Bragg Wade, came back at the affirmative with "Fire in his eyes." With his own characteristic style of address he spoke directly, from his soul, to the judges, of the impossibility of the affirmative's plea. Mr. Wade's delivery was better than ever before. He followed up closely with material that showed he had been carefully worked out, and demanded an earnest hearing. His voice easily filled the house, so that no one even in the far corners of the auditorium was embarrassed by not hearing every word of the speaker. Mr. Wade has a delivery that carries

exceptionally well with the active man in public affairs.

The second speaker of the affirmative, Mr. Burl B. Hulsey, easily took up the argument of his colleague, after answering the points of the first negative. His delivery was good, and the style of delivery was commendable for debating. He was intensely interested in the subject, and brought forth argument after argument in favor of the affirmative. Mr. Hulsey was new in the field of debating, in this large realm, but it could not be detected in the manner in which he conducted the procedure. He had his speech well in mind and easily summarized his points in a few well put words.

Mr. W. Clifton Ferguson, the second speaker on the negative, followed closely after the last affirmative, seemingly calm and steady in his deliberation, but anxious to get before the judges the immense amount of material that he had selected for refuting the affirmative. He did not depend upon a committed speech, but spoke straight from the points that seemed, to his judgment, the most needed after what had been given previously, realizing, as it seemed, the importance of the time in which he was to speak. His side of the question was left to him, as no other reply was to be made on his side. He used his notes, but carelessly, merely as a guide for time. His delivery was good, and showed ample training. His gestures were good, and above all, his points were convincing.

During the time of the decision of the judges, Miss McXie Mae Mason rendered a beautiful and most fitting piano solo, "Last Hope," by Gottschalk. Miss Mason plays well.

With almost breathless silence, the speaker, Prof. Cockrell, read the decision: One for the affirmative and two for the negative.

THE BRUSHES CELEBRATE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Miss May Stirley entertained the Brushes most royally at her home in the city on the evening of the 21st. The party consisted of the Art students and some of their friends. Miss Stirley, in Martha Washington costume, met the guests at the door and they were soon introduced to a number of frolics, typical of the occasion. Miss Edith Easley cut the most cherries off the tree. Mr. Denton drew the most hearts in the basket and Sam Easley put the best cherry on the tree. The prize winners were all rewarded with a souvenir box of candy.

Every one had an enjoyable time and vote Miss May a most charming hostess.

Guests.

Misses Eula Brooks, Sue Webb, Lucy Vincent, Willie Birge, Blanche Baldwin, Maude Burns, Josie Cannon, Wanda Wolford, Edith Easley, Annie Sawyer, Mrs. Cockrell, Cummings, Alexander, Mess. Sam Easley, Gordon McFarland, Cal Estill, Velpean Denton, Howard Dabbs, Douglas Allen, Ballard, Brown.

TRACK ORGANIZATION.

With a beginning of twenty contestants for track work, the season is opening with the best prospects. Several of the contestants are time men from Northern schools. The following officers were elected:

Oscar Wise, manager, and Leron B. Gough, captain.

The following notice addressed to "The Sheriff" was mis-sent to "The Skiff," and read before the mistake was known:

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OPENING OF BASEBALL

WITH THE TEMPERATURE AT FREEZING FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON AT LEAGUE PARK.

T. C. U. PLAYS FT. W. U.

Only on Errors of T. C. U. Players Was Fort Worth University Able to Score.

In weather that seemed more like snowball than baseball T. C. U. defeated Fort Worth University in her first game 8 to 3. The game was played on Washington's birthday in the new league ball park across the river and on account of the cold wind only a few attended.

Despite the cold the game was at times very interesting and marks of a coming champion team were shown. T. C. U. had not worked out for several days and showed more of a desire to save their arms than to win a game, while Ft. Worth worked hard not heeding the cold and the danger to arms.

Ft. Worth was first to score. Woods singled and scored on a triple by Camp in the second inning. Another score was made in the fourth on errors and a third score in the fifth when Bledsoe doubled and scored on wild throw to first.

Bettison scored for T. C. U. in the second when hit by a pitched ball and Haislip and Daniels singled.

Four more runs were made in the fifth on singles by Lamonica, Sorey, Ivery and Bettison. In the seventh Sorey walked, went to second on a fielder's choice and scored a single by Bettison. Two more runs were made in the eighth on singles by Morton, Haisey and Sorey.

	AB	R	H	POA	E
Lamonica, cf.	4	1	1	1	0
Sorey, ss.	3	2	2	2	2
Query, 3b.	3	1	3	0	0
Cooper, lf.	4	0	0	0	0
Bettison, c.	3	1	2	10	3
Parks, 1b.	3	0	0	7	1
Graves, 2b.	4	0	0	3	2
Haislip, rf, p.	4	1	2	1	0
Daniels, p.	1	0	1	0	1
Morton, rr, p.	2	2	2	0	2
Total	31	8	11	27	11

	AB	R	H	POA	E
Lipps, 2b.	3	0	0	1	1
Bledsoe, cf.	4	0	1	1	0
Bomar, ss.	4	1	1	3	3
Ware, 1b.	3	0	0	9	0
Gunn, lf.	3	0	0	0	0
Woods, 3b.	4	1	2	0	0
Camp, c.	4	1	0	9	3
Kleibold, p.	3	0	0	1	0
Pendleton, p.	1	0	0	1	0
Royston, rf.	3	0	0	1	0
Total	31	3	4	24	9

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T. C. U. vs. PACKERS.

On last Saturday it was announced that the Packers would choose T. C. U. to a practice game of baseball. So accordingly at four o'clock the game at Butz Park. Quite an interesting game was played for seven innings and had it not been for the pitching of Daniels the famous outfielder of '08 who has developed into a pitcher, the score might have been different. But thanks to his and Haislip's pitching and the hitting of Query, Sorey, Lamonica, Morton and Daniels, the score was 8 to 2.

Timely hitting enabled T. C. U. to score in every inning except fifth and seventh, two scores were made in the third and three in the fourth. The packers scored two in the fifth on two hits and error.

	AB	R	H	POA	E
Lamonica, cf.	4	0	1	2	1
Sorey, ss.	4	2	2	0	1
Query, 3b.	4	1	2	3	1
Cooper, lf.	2	1	0	1	1
Bettison, c.	3	0	0	10	0
Dodd, 1b.	2	0	0	2	0
Graves, 2b.	3	0	0	1	0
Morton, rf.	1	3	1	1	0
Daniels, p.	2	1	2	0	1
Haislip, p.	1	0	0	0	1
Parks, 1b.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	25	8	8	21	6

	AB	R	H	POA	E
Gunn, 3b.	3	0	1	1	1
Smith, ss.	3	0	0	0	3
T. Ward, cf.	3	0	1	0	0
R. Ward, lf-1b.	2	0	0	5	0
Myers, 2b.	1	0	0	3	1
Buck, rf.	3	1	0	1	1
Ozese, 1b.	2	1	0	5	0
Lassiter, c.	2	0	1	5	2
Proy, p.	1	0	0	0	3
Bolinger, c.	2	0	0	0	2
Matthews, p.	2	0	0	0	2
Totals	24	2	3	21	15

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To nail your bedroom window shut is to drive a nail into your coffin.

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Every minute two persons in the civilized world die of consumption.

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Clark Literary Society March 6, '11.

Faculty Write-up—Frankie Miller, Fashions of Today—Gladly Reed, Vocal Solo—Willie Thetford, Academy Lit. Soc.—Bettie Couch, Reading—Daisy Morrow, Piano Solo—Katie Chilton.

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CLARK OPEN SESSION

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The Decorations of the Chapel Excelled Any Previous Affair Held in It.

Every one knows that when the Clark girls do anything it is sure to be done right, so it goes without saying that the program rendered on Tuesday, February 21, was a success in every sense of the word. To begin with all the appointments were superb, it being the best decorated chapel of the year. The decorations were artistically carried out in the Clark colors, by Baker Bros. Then the program from start to finish was a delight to all in attendance. It was the largest crowd that has witnessed any event of the season. After the president's address by Miss Odell, Miss Pitts played Paganini's "Witches Dance." This Miss Pitts rendered with rare technique and form, greatly delighting her audience.

Next came Miss Thetford's prophecy, with "bright" prospects of the future for many of the Clark members.

Miss Ethel Webb's Journal was filled with local hits and illusions, and was a great help in making the evening a success.

The original short story, "Capturing a Chaffeur," read by Miss Ella Anderson, showed the true literary talent of the Clarks along this special line.

Perhaps the sensation of the evening, "The Lance of Kanonia," Miss Kinsey showed herself in this to be a reader of the first rank. She held her audience until the end. Moreover her rendition of human emotions was marvelously realistic. She proved herself in every way to be one of the very best readers the Clark Society has turned out.

In keeping with the rest of the program was the vocal solo, "Dreams," by Miss Allison, and was rendered in excellent form and added much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Coming last on the program was the playlet, "The Hiartville Shakespeare Club." It represented the work of our members in the dramatic circles of oratory. Each girl carried out her part to perfection and in the whole it was highly entertaining and amusing.

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The last four issues of the Skiff have been edited by the four classes of the Academic Department of the University. This has been a custom of the management of the Skiff for several years, and never before have the entire set of editions attained so high a level in every respect. The spirit between the classes is commendable. When a slight missel was sent into the midst of another class it was modestly picked out and one of a more cunning nature was returned. The literary value as a whole was high. Each issue was exactly representative of its class, and proved to be an interesting and important number in the file of this year's volume of Skiffs. It is with the deepest sincerity that the editor congratulates each class for the worthiness of their response to the invitation to represent the class.

As the last four issues of the Skiff have proven so interesting to the entire student body, and the friends and even to the colleges receiving exchanges from us, it has been decided to continue several other editions of similar nature, but to make them special numbers of certain departments rather than issues wholly given to that department. The next two numbers will be representative of the Clark and Walton Literary Societies, respectively. Then after possibly a week of rest from the special numbers we will receive a special number from the Y. L. C. A., and the Y. W.'s in a joint issue, and one from the Library Association. As to the remaining numbers, a special number may occur at any time among the regular numbers as a competent organization proves itself equal to the occasion.

The debate last Friday evening gave to the Shirleys the third victory of the season over the Add-Ran Literary Society, but the Add-Rans were not a failure in any sense of the word. They showed up admirably in the eyes of the listeners in all of the contests, and in fact the appearance was so favorable that many thought that the Add-Rans should have received the honors each time. It was only last year that the Add-Rans won the majority of the contests, and did as well before, and are doing as well now, but it must be asserted that the Shirleys are improving gradually in all lines.

Baseball is now the spirit of the day. Although the cold weather is checking the progress in practice some, the work is gaining rapidly. Already the team has won every practice game, with a good showing. The championship for this season is evident, if everything can be carried on as it has been started.

As the spring seems to be opening and the spirit of the students is livening up, is the time to watch yourself with reference to shirking your work for the outdoor exercise, and "cutting" many classes. Remember that you are more able at this time to do better work if you will apply yourself to your work. Do not let the temptation of baseball, track and tennis take your grades from you, for if for no other reason, you can not hold your place on the team if you do, for the faculty is keeping up very closely with such matters.

It was whispered, by some one: "What is the editor-in-chief going to do during these special numbers of the Skiff? I thought he was supposed to get out these papers. I thought that was what he was elected for. Is he quitting his job?" Just for a word of explanation to those who cannot see through a solid brick wall, that the editor-in-chief is still at the head of the paper, and has been ever since the beginning of the school year, and that everything that enters the pages of the Skiff is read and approved by him. It is the duty of the editor-in-chief to see that the paper is edited according to his ideals so far as possible. And in fulfilling his ideals he certainly will desire to represent the entire student body. And if the regular staff consents to allow others to do some of the work, as is usually permissible, the University is no less represented, but a variety of work is presented. So long as the paper is proving more and more interesting, no matter what the cause is, no one can afford to make any objection to the plans of the editor. Let us read the guide line on the front page: "Published under the auspices of the student body," then see if the ideal is being reached for.

Track work is being pushed to the front. There are those in school that are capable of making good records. It is desirable that the team be worked up in good form before the big track meet in North Fort Worth.

The Art exhibit being held in the City Library, beginning today, is worthy of all your efforts to see. The admission is free, to see the works of one of the greatest American artists. The exhibit will last ten days, so within that time be sure to avail yourself of the opportunity of attending.

WITH THE EXCHANGES.

The co-eds at Washburn College issued the Washburn Review last week.

Berling's enrollment is now 8,000 students, with 7,000 for Columbia University. It is interesting to note that 600 years ago the University of Paris had 30,000 students.

Polytechnic held the preliminary to the State Contest in Oratory, last Thursday.

An inter-society impromptu debate was held in the University of Georgia last week.

The University of Chicago has a 17-year old A. B. working for the M. A.

Columbia University has decided to increase her enrollment and scope by sending circulars through China, printed in the native language.

The first inter-collegiate aviation contest will be held next spring, between Harvard and Columbia Universities.

Texas University entertained the 32nd Legislature last week.

A large Hockey rink has been recently built at Westminster, Simsbury, Conn.

The student auditor gave a successful financial report of the Students' Association in the University of South Dakota.

The boarders at the University of Missouri eat at the "Common Interest" tables. There is a table where nothing but German is spoken.

The Drake Athletes are good students.

Baseball in the Northern Colleges is giving way to track, boating and other sports. Baseball will some day be a Southern sport.

The Prohibition Club at Syracuse offers several prizes for orations on the abolition of the whiskey trade.

Sanitary drinking cups have been installed at Grinnell University.

Ulysses Houston, after a life of twenty-five years of travel, has entered the University of Michigan as a Freshman.

University of New Mexico has proposed an addition in the gymnasium pool and billiard rooms.

The boys of Austin College were recently requested to shave. N. B.

Revival services have just begun at Southwestern University.

A. & M. announces a good schedule for the baseball season.

The Class issues of the Battalion are just arranging for the special numbers.

The Texan of the State University has completed the list of Academic issues of the paper, and is entering upon the special class editions.

The Freshman Engineers issued the Texan last week.

The Juniors edited the Lariat last week.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated in Baylor with an interesting program in chapel.

The experiment of having daily chapel services in Stanford has proved to be very successful. The serv-

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The State Championship in basketball was won by Baylor. The Decatur team was second.

Track work is rushing in to the front in all of the colleges.

There are 36,000 gallons of water pumped hourly into the new swimming tank in Yale University.

Cornell University has just received a new gift of \$50,000 for the erection of a new shop for their school of mechanical engineering.

CLARK DECORATIONS.

On last Tuesday evening the Clark Literary Society rendered the best Annual Open Session that they have given since the organization of the society in 1906.

The entire auditorium was decorated in evergreen and colors. The platform was transformed into a stage, and the appearance was altogether new. The stage, a solid white walled room effect was bordered at the top with evergreen vines, and the center of the wall was artistically ornamented with the letters of "C-L-A-R-K." Pot plants, fern and palms decorated the floor and sides. The effect was the most beautiful ever made in the temporary auditorium.

The program was to begin at eight o'clock, but the crowd continued, so that every available chair was brought into the room for the visitors. Never has there been a larger audience in that room.

EXCHANGES.

All things come to him who waits. Perhaps that's true. Well let 'em. With me the only thing I got I had to go and get 'em.—Ex.

"In this the art of living lies: To want no more than may suffice." This too is pretty cute, you bet: To want no more than you can get.—Ex.

Ode to the Freshman.

Once a freshman was washed on an African coast

Where canibal monarch held sway; And they served up that freshman on slices of toast

On the eve of the very same day. But the vengeance of Heaven soon followed their act,

And before the next morning was seen The cholera morbus attacked the whole tribe

For the freshman was horribly green.—Ex.

It was the first time in three days that Mrs. Very Rich had seen her children, so many were her social engagements.

"Mama," asked little Ruth, as her mother took her up in her arms for a kiss, "on what day was I born?" "On Thursday, dear," said the mother.

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Local Notes

Major Van Zandt's Sunday School class was entertained at the home of the Major last Monday evening.

Mr. Johnston, director of music, is ill at present.

Mr. Quinn Curby spent Sunday at home in Grandview.

Miss Willie Thedford was at home in Godley, last Sunday.

Mr. John Rawling spent several days at home last week trying out his new five passenger Maxwell.

Miss Irene Brown visited her sister at the University Sunday and Monday.

Brains and eggs have been served several mornings lately.

The price of eggs has lowered.

Liver and bacon is also a usual breakfast dish.

Miss Hart, will you please bring some liver.

Miss Shirley spent the week end with the Misses Riter in Forney.

Miss Wanda Wolford was called home on account of the sudden illness of her grandmother.

Misses Irby and Hemphill spent Saturday and Sunday in Weatherford.

Miss Daphne Helms was sick last week.

We are very sorry of the continued illness of Miss Eula May Rial.

Miss Kathleen (WHO?) returned to her home for a few days with her parents who were here during the board meeting.

Miss Sidney King was the visitor of Miss Mary Wright last week.

TRACK MEET.

The Amateur Athletic Association of Fort Worth, have sent out the following letter to the several colleges of the state in order that the meet to be held here April the 10th, 11th and 12th would be a complete success:

Dear Sir:—In order to encourage amateur athletics in Texas, the Amateur Athletic Association of Fort Worth will hold the first annual indoor track meet at Fort Worth on April 10th, 11th and 12th, 1911.

The Coliseum at North Fort Worth has been secured, which is stated by experts to be the finest indoor field in the South, the arena being soft dirt and tan bark, 90x225 feet in diameter and surrounded by an amphitheater which will hold seven thousand five hundred people, the whole being covered by a steel dome or roof and not a post in the arena.

The events will be held at nights, beginning promptly at 8 p. m., and the program for the three nights has been arranged as follows:

Monday night, April 10th.—Junior night; contestants to be not over fifteen (15) years old, and especially arranged for the scholars of the public schools.

Program.

50 yard dash.
100 yard run.
440 yard run.
½ mile relay race.
Running broad jump.
Running high jump.

Tuesday and Wednesday nights, April 11th and 12th, will be given over to the Senior events, which will be divided into two classes.

First—The Inter-Scholastic, to include representatives of Preparatory Schools and High Schools.

Second—Inter-Collegiate, to include representatives of Colleges and Athletics Clubs and Y. M. C. A.'s.

Program.

Inter-Scholastic Class:
50 yard dash.
100 yard run.
220 yard run.
440 yard run.
Pole vault.
880 yard run.
One mile run.
Running broad jump.

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Running high jump.
12 pound shot put.
One mile relay race.
Inter-Collegiate Class:
50 yard dash.
100 yard run.
220 yard run.
440 yard run.
Pole vault.
880 yard run.
One mile run.
Running broad jump.
Running high jump.
16 pound shot put.
One mile relay race.

The entire meet will be held under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, and all contestants must be registered. The cost of such registration is 25 cents, and the undersigned will be glad to furnish all blanks and information upon receipt of request.

Prizes in the shape of gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded in each event.

In order to insure a big success, the Fort Worth Jobbers and Manufacturers' League has consented and agreed to be financially responsible for the expenses of this meet, and have offered further to pay the round trip railroad fare of one team of four (4) men from each school or college, and the committee of this Association will arrange to take care of such teams, free of expense.

Cheap rates will be in effect on all railroads during the week and we will have plenty of music, besides the opening Texas League game of the season by the Fort Worth Baseball club at their new \$50,000 park, on Wednesday, April 13th.

The meet promises to be a success, and already we have the assurance of a number of institutions that they will compete.

This is the first concerted effort to put athletics on the high plane and firm basis it should be on in Texas, and we hope for your hearty co-operation.

Address all inquiries for further information to Chester Johnston, lock box 390, Station A, Fort Worth, Tex.

Yours very truly,
AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF FORT WORTH.
By Chester Johnston,
Chairman.

THE SOCIAL CENTER

Notes taken from Prof. Cockrell's report on the All Southwestern Social Center Conference, held in the Auditorium of the Dallas High School, Friday afternoon and night, February 17.

The conference was worked up and called by Frank P. Holland, of the Texas Farm and Ranch Company.

The general topic of discussion was "How to Make Our Country Communities and Small Towns Better to Live in." Along with this was such problems as "The Country Woman," talked on by Miss Helen F. Barnes, National Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. "The Problem of the Small Town" by Dr. A. Caswell Ellis, Professor of Education in the University of Texas "The Country Town Library," by A. S. Blankenship, of the Department of Extension, University of Texas. "Problems of the City," illustrated lecture by Edward J. Ward, Advisor on Social Center, of the University of Wisconsin. Mr. Ward was the first man to really undertake such a work from a scientific standpoint and began in Rochester, N. Y. That State leads in the work.

For many years magazine articles and newspaper writings, tried to suggest a solution for the problem, and such agitation finally led to the ap-

pointment of the Roosevelt Committee, which was to investigate the state of affairs thoroughly. This committee brought in a favorable report. After three months trial, Rochester voted ten thousand dollars to the Social Center work. It was found to be such a success, that organizations as the Y. M. C. A. and similar institutions, have turned the larger part of their attention to it.

In previous years the church was the social center, but religious activities have assumed such a state that the church as it stands creates more division, because of rank prejudices. The common public school is the only point of mutual interest in any community, where the young are taught a sameness of thought. From this alone, we can readily see that the school Christianized will be learned Christianity, and will bring all sects, Protestant, Catholic and Jew, together.

Again, there is no social center for the great mass of foreigners that are streaming into this country every year. They have many different beliefs and practices, and are inclined to be clannish. Such a state of affairs is detrimental to our governmental standing, leaving out the great feature of civic righteousness.

Taking these few points into consideration, and remembering that the theater, the clubs, the bar-rooms and other such institutions can't meet all the requirements, and that the best influences are not to be found there, it is well that the problem of the Social Center is being given close study.

Because it brings about a common thought, and common practices, the Social Center organized within the school may be a step toward Christian unity.

Clarence Hall (to Miss Reeves)—"Say, do you know why women are requested to remove their hats at a show?"

Miss Reeves—"Why, so the people behind them can see, of course."

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JACKSON AT BULL RUN

(By J. J. Murray.)

The day seemed lost. Strong masses of Northern infantry were moving forward past the Stone House on the Warrenton pike. Hampton's legion was retiring on the right. Imboden's battery with but three rounds remaining for each piece, galloped back across the Henry Hill, and this commanding Height, the key of the battle ground, was abandoned to the enemy. But help was at hand. Jackson, like Bee and Bartow, had been ordered to the stone bridge. Hearing the heavy fire to his left increasing in intensity, he had turned the head of his column toward the most pressing danger, and had sent a messenger to Bee to announce his coming. As he pushed rapidly forward, part of the troops he intended to support, swept by in disorder to the rear. Imboden's battery came dashing back, and that officer, meeting Jackson, expressed with a profanity which was evidently displeasing to the General his disgust at being left without support. "I'll support your battery," was the brief reply, "unlimber right here." At this moment appeared General Bee approaching at full gallop, and he and Jackson met face to face. The latter was cool and composed. Bee covered with dust and sweat, his sword in his hand and his horse foaming. "General," he said, "they are beating us back." "Then, Sir, we will give them the bayonet," the thin lips closed like a vice and the First Brigade, pressing up the slope, formed into line on the Eastern edge of the Henry Hill.

Jackson's determined bearing inspired Bee with renewed confidence. He turned his horse and galloped back to the ravine where his officers were attempting to reform their broken companies. Riding into the midst of the "throng he pointed with his sword to the Virginia regiments, deployed in well order array on the height above. "Look," he shouted, "There is Jackson standing like a stone wall. Rally behind the Virginians." The men took up the cry; and the happy augury of the expression, applied at a time when defeat seemed imminent and hearts were failing, was remembered when the danger had passed away.

In the rear of Jackson's line, Bee and Bartow and Evans were rallying their men, when Johnston and Beauregard, compelled, by the unexpected movement of the Federals, to abandon all ideas of attack, appeared upon Henry Hill. They were accompanied by the batteries of artillery, Pendleton's and Alburtt's. The colors of the Broken Regiments were ordered to the front, and the men rallied, taking post on Jackson's right. The moment was critical. The blue masses of the Federals, the dust rolling high above them were already descending the opposite through the yellow cloud; and the Confederate force was a handful. Three brigades had been summoned from the fords; but the nearest was four miles distant, and many of the troops on the plateau were already half demoralized by the retreat. The generals set themselves to revive the courage of their soldiers. Beauregard galloped along the line cheering the regiments in every portion of the field, and then with the color bearers accompanying him, rode forward to the crest. Johnston was equally conspicuous. The enemy's shells were bursting on every side, and the shouts of the Confederates, recognizing their leaders as they dashed across the front, redoubled the uproar. Meanwhile, before the center of his line, with an unconcern which had a marvelous effect on his untried command, Jackson rode slowly to and fro. Except that his face was a little paler, and his eyes brighter, he looked exactly as his men had seen him so often in the parade; and as he passed along the crest above them they heard from time to time the reassuring words uttered in a tone which betrayed no trace of excitement, "Steady, men, steady; all's well."

Presently it was seen that the enemy were preparing for a charge. Jackson's men were lying beneath the crest of the plateau. Only one of his regiments, the Twenty-third, had as yet been engaged in the open; and his guns in front still held their own. Riding to the center of his line, where the Second and Fourth Virginia were stationed, he gave orders for a counter stroke.

"Reserve your fire until they come

within fifty yards, then fire and give them the bayonet; and when you charge, yell like fury!" Right well did the hot Virginia blood respond. Inactive from the stroke of noon till 3 o'clock, with the crash and cries of battle in their ears, and the shell plowing gaps in the recumbent ranks, the men were chafing under the stern discipline which held them back from the conflict they longed to join. The Federals swept on, extending from right to left, cheering as they came, and following the flying batteries in the ardor of success. Suddenly a long gray line sprang from the ground in their very faces; a rolling volley threw them back in confusion; and then with their fierce shouts pealing high above the tumult, the Second and Fourth Virginia, supported by the Fifth, charged forward across the hill. At the same moment that the enemy's center was thus unexpectedly assailed, Kirby Smith's fresh brigade bore down upon the flank, and Beauregard, with ready judgment dispatched his staff officers to order a general advance. The broken remnants of Bee, Hampton and Evans advanced upon Jackson's right, and victory, long wavering, crowned the standards of the South.

LIBRARY NOTES.

T. E. Tomlinson, president of the Board of Trustees, of Texas Christian University, has recently donated a subscription of the Fort Worth Record to the library. It has been gratefully received by both teachers and students.

Miss Mary Wright and Sam Easley have recently donated magazines, Miss Wright bringing her's in her trunk from home.

The following letter announces an appreciated donation from Bro. McPherson:

At Home, Feb. 14, 1911.
My Dear Miss Andrews:
I think you must have begun to suspect that I did not have any magazines at all. If so, I do not censure you because I have been an unexcusably long while in sending them to you. But here they are at last. The list is as follows:

Leslie's Popular Monthly	4	copies
Everybody's	5	"
Munsey	12	"
Current Literature	14	"
Miscellaneous Magazines	16	"
McClure's	21	"
Cosmopolitan	29	"
Review of Reviews	39	"
Outlook	59	"
Ladies' Home Journal	88	"
Literary Digest	111	"
Independent	237	"
Total	635	"

When I left Waxahachie I failed to bring a number of those which I had at that time as they were so troublesome about packing. Still a great many of those which I now send I had then.

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AT POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE.

State Oratorical Preliminaries.

Wednesday evening, February 22nd, quite a large number of T. C. U. students demonstrated their interest in the activities of our friends on Polytechnic Hill by going over for the State Oratorical Preliminary Contest. Polytechnic showed that they were not unmindful of T. C. U.'s interest, too, for, although an admission charge was being made for all city people our students were passed in with a hand shake and a hearty welcome. We appreciated their hospitality more than we can tell.

The contest was in every way a good one. Six well written, well delivered orations, made a most acceptable program. The contestants were Messrs White, Chambers, Bird, Minor, Hawkins and Anderson. First place was given Mr. Minor, who represented his school in the State contest last year; Mr. Hawkins was a close second. Every man was strong and forceful, and should be, to Polytechnic, a source of deep pride and high hopes.

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POLYTECHNIC LYCEUM.

The Faculty of Fine Arts of Polytechnic College substituted for the regular number to have been given last Monday. The numbers were well rendered and enjoyed by all. The attendance was exceedingly good. The program was as follows:

Sonata XVIII	Mozart
Andante cantabile	
Allegro	
Andante con Variazioni	
Messrs MacDonald and Rosenfield.	
The Happy Prince	Oscar Wilde
Miss Margaret Emma McCartney	
Mr. Fitner (at the piano)	
My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice	
	Saint Saens
Miss Pearl Calhoun	
Ballade G Minor	Chopin
Mr. MacDonald	
Reading	Selected
Miss McCartney	
Recit et Aria (La Traviata)	Verdi
Miss Calhoun	
Concerto	Vieux Temps
Mr. Rosenfield,	

Mrs. M. M. Blanks of Austin, grandmother of our Minnie Joe Blanks, donated two bound volumes of the "Missionary Tidings," volumes 13 and 14. These always find a ready welcome on our shelves.

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For this purpose they have given \$1,650.00. This does not include any books, but just the furnishings. This will enable us to have the splendid steel book stacks, and other modern equipment now in use in all our best libraries of the state. The furnishings of a library should be made beautiful as well as useful. This is the very best donation that has come to the library in years, and we desire to express thru the "Skiff" our heartiest thanks to each of these good people for this splendid gift.

In the election of officers for the second baseball team, Will McFarland is captain and True Strong manager.

For a good suit at low price, see Dabbs at Freeman's.