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OPENING EXERCISES

Hon. Clarence Ousley of This City Makes Chief Address to Students

ALL POINTS TO GREAT YEAR

Speaker Urges That We Build For Ages That Are to Come.

The formal opening exercises were held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the University Chapel. Mr. Clarence Ousley, president of the Conference for Education in Texas, and editor of the Fort Worth Record, gave a most excellent address, voicing his personal belief in the religious school, and admonishing us to "build, therefore, not for this generation but for the thousands and multiplied thousands of years that are to come."

Mr. Ousley spoke of the tendency of our age for vocational training and its place "in our industrial civilization, in this workaday age," but his talk was a warning against its evils if overdone, and a plea for the cultural element in education and for "that uplifting of the mind and expansion of the soul that makes men and women greater in the higher conception of life, and enables them to become the worthy sons and daughters of the age." He spoke eloquently of the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, and pointed out the fact that the people are taking affairs of government more and more into their own hands and trusting their common business less and less to representatives. Hence the need increases generation by generation and year by year for an enlightened body of citizens. He pleaded for tolerance,

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ROOM FOR STUDENTS.

It was thought for awhile that it would be necessary to erect tents to accommodate all the boys, but so far Mr. Dacus has been able to find room, though many are really inconveniently crowded. It may yet become necessary to secure a few tents. Both new and old students deserve much credit for their assistance and patience in this matter of arranging for rooms and fitting them.

SOPHOMORE MEETING.

At a meeting of the Sophomore class soon after dinner Friday the following officers were elected to lead the class for the year:

Thomas Hopkins, president; Louie Miller, vice president, and Margaret Gibson, secretary.

On account of the necessity of attending the Freshmen meeting the class adjourned to meet at an early date to complete the necessary elections of treasurer, sergeant-at-arms and athletic representative.

Miss Odesa Allison was a welcome visitor at the university this week. Odesa is getting strong again and is just the same little smiling, pleasant "Dess," in spite of her long illness. We hope to be able to have her with us often.

STUDENT BODY ELECTION

Chas. Bussey, of Hutchins, to Lead This Organization.

The most important and largest organization in Texas Christian University is known as the Student Body Association. Every student in the institution is a member. Its object is to promote in every way the various interests of the students as such and to create and perpetuate the proper spirit among them.

As has been customary in the past, this organization met early for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year and of "stirring up some pep." It was called to order Thursday at 1 o'clock by W. C. Ferguson, vice president of last year. It was pleasing to note the interest that was taken and the lustiness with which every one responded to the few familiar yells that were called. After some interesting talks the matter of electing the new officers was attended to. The results showed that Chas. Bussey of Hutchings was president, Mr. John P. Cox of Hillsboro, vice president; Miss Grace Mason of Dallas, secretary-treasurer; J. W. Cockrill yell leader, and Winfield Stirman assistant yell leader. Miss Libbie Wade was also made yell leader for the girls. As is customary, the president was chosen from the Senior class and the vice president from the Juniors. The secretary was also chosen from the Junior class in this case.

The importance of these offices and of this organization will be much increased this year by the new duties which will become theirs by the expected adoption of the honor system of student government and it is well that such a competent set of officers has been chosen. Bussey is a well known star athlete and has the pep in all school activities, including oratory and magazine work.

We predict for this organization a rarely successful year.

SENIOR CLASS.

With the growth of the University the Senior Class has had its share of new members. The first meeting of this dignified bunch was called Thursday afternoon for the purpose of electing officers. "Bingo" Parks was elected president, as an athlete was thought necessary to lead the class through its fights and struggles the last year. J. E. Evans was elected Vice-President; Grace Hackney, Secretary and Willie Thetford, Treasurer; Katherine Riter, Historian; Roscoe Rruison, Sergeant at Arms. After glancing over the body of Seniors, some decided that a Chaplain was needed. Rev. G. W. Stewart was elected to fill this responsible office. Since the Class Professor of last year, Dr. J. B. Eskridge, has left the University, it became necessary to elect another. President F. D. Kershner was unanimously selected by the class. They are proud of the fact that they are the first ones to have the honor of having the President as their Class Professor. The Senior Class of 1913 is going to be one of the largest and the best during the annals of T. C. U.

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MRS. KERSHNER'S DEATH

Shadows of Grief Cast Over Otherwise Bright Opening of T. C. U.

END CAME AFTER OPERATION

Remains Carried to Michigan After Impressive Service

A sudden halt was brought to bear upon the most remarkable and brightest opening of the Texas Christian University Friday morning by the unexpected death of Mrs. Kershner, the wife of our president, Frederick D. Kershner. As the sun rose to greet the students as they walked into breakfast, the sad news was quietly but quickly spread among them. "Mrs. Kershner is dead."

Hardly were the students seated when meetings of various organizations were called to be held immediately after breakfast to postpone a number of receptions and other functions that had been planned. After a brief announcement by Dean Parks regarding the sudden sadness that had come to the institution, a meeting of the student body was held and committees appointed to arrange for a beautiful floral gift and to prepare resolutions of respect. The Senior Class, which had just the day before selected President Kershner as its class professor, also met and made similar arrangements. Mrs. Kershner being a member of the Walton Literary Society, this organization took a similar step and sent a beautiful floral offering. Other organizations and individuals

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OFFERS BEAUTIFUL TROPHY

Sprinkle, Anderson & Glenn to Give to Winner of Thanksgiving Game.

We are authorized to announce that our old friends of the firm of Sprinkle, Anderson & Glenn, proprietors of the Selz Royal Blue Shoe Store of this city, are offering a beautiful silver trophy to the local school football team which wins the Thanksgiving game.

that Poly cannot get the trophy. Just donors for their generosity and to say we take this occasion to thank them.

MEETING OF THE JUNIORS.

At a meeting of the Juniors recently the following officers were elected:

Alvin Street of Goldthwaite, president; Winfield Stirman of Athens, vice president; Miss Jane Barnard of Sabinal, secretary; Miss Fannie Jack Baldwin of Haskell, treasurer; Luther Parker of Corpus Christi, sergeant-at-arms; Robert A. Highsmith of Italy, spiritual advisor.

Much other important business was transacted, including a discussion of the business of the Juniors attending to ushering at all university functions.

Mrs. Sargent had her pupils in second year German conversing in that language. Mr. Sloan asked young Grissom, "Are you very clever, or are you stupid?" After hesitating, the Freshman answered modestly, in the best German he could command, "I am very stupid." Whereupon Mrs. Sargent hastened to explain, "Oh, you didn't have to tell the truth about it."

Miss Ethel Webb, '11, is a guest of the institution this week.

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A Unique Ceremony Represents Spirit of All Girls.

From 4 to 6 on Thursday afternoon the new girls of T. C. U. were given a treat in the way of a Y. W. C. A. nuptials. Each year this organization entertains the new girls, striving to get them acquainted with one another and with the "old girls."

As each girl entered the parlor, she went by the table in the hall, where Mr. Libbie Wade "tagged" her. The new girls were "tagged" as Miss and the old girls as "Mister." At 4:30 promptly the wedding party entered, ushered by Dr. Kate Chilton and Mr. Minnie Proctor. Mr. McKie Mae Mason at the piano sent forth the melodious strains of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March." Rev. Grace Hackney, as the officiating minister, led the party through the doors of the front parlor, stopping just back of the altar. Following Rev. Hackney was the maid of honor, Miss Adele Slayton, dressed in a lovely dress of white shadow lace, bearing a beautiful bouquet of pink bridal rosebuds. Next in order were Mr. Vista Wood, dressed in the conventional lavender dress suit; on his arm was Miss Annie Lou Harris, very beautiful in a white dress of lace and lilies of the valley. Mr. Mildred Roberts, in a dress suit of blue, came next with Miss Cleora Clanton, who wore a very becoming gown of yellow satin and lace. The charming little Miss Gladys Parks, as ring bearer, came

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MINISTERIAL STUDENTS.

The T. S. Reed, Jr., Scholarship.

The T. S. Reed, Jr., scholarship is to be awarded to the student of the College of the Bible who attains the highest grade of scholarship in all classes and in prospective personal usefulness in the church, the latter to be estimated by the Faculty of this College an equivalent of one branch of study. This scholarship is not to be given to any student who shall receive another scholarship for the same year.

Ministerial students desiring preaching appointments, should register their names with the Secretary.

Will students who have preaching engagements please register same, so that we may have a record of work done in this department.

EDWARD OWERS, Sec Room 12, T. C. U.

Oscar J. Wise and his friend, Miss Harriette Shirley, both graduates with the class of '12, have been visitors during the week of the opening.

OUR FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

Coach Stewart Seeks to Build up T. C. U. Athletics for the Future.

GOOD MEN ON THE GRIDIRON

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* "My home is Fort Worth. I *
* will be with Texas Christian *
* University again if I can make *
* good. My ambition therefore is *
* to build up athletics in T. C. U. *
* —not merely for this season *
* alone, but for the future. Every *
* man in the institution who is *
* willing to work for it therefore *
* has a chance on the team. The *
* best chance for the school to *
* have a crack team is for every *
* man to get into some kind of a *
* suit and try out for a place." *
* Coach Stewart. *

Monday afternoon before the school opened Tuesday, the Texas Christian University students was the grandest sight which they had ever witnessed since their school has been located in this city. Twenty-eight big, husky gridiron warriors were in suits at that time, and a number of them were experienced football men. Since that time the number of athletes has been increasing rapidly. Truly we will have a great football team, and we are not surprised that Manager Parks and Captain Ware have been wearing a long, broad smile for the past month, when we view the surprise they had in store for us.

Coach Stewart has allowed it to be talked among the football men that there were no places on the team "cinched," and the men have become fully aware of that fact since finding upon their arrival at the grounds that every position has three or four worthy contestants. Having plenty of material to pick from, we are insured of a hard fighting team and a number of good substitutes as well as a good "scrub" bunch.

OUR COACH.

The first word from the players after pouncing upon the pigskin and diving at it where it was not for two hours was that "Our Coach is there." This expression of confidence in the coach is not surprising to those who

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(A number of other associates will be selected, but we are not in a hurry. We must have good ones, carefully selected to make the paper a success.)

RATES.

Subscriptions, \$1.00 a year in advance. Students get one subscription for themselves and one for their parents or friends for \$1.75.

THE HONOR SYSTEM.

The Skiff favors the honor system of self-government and urges its adoption in some form NOW. Let the Skiff suggest this plan: A committee should be appointed at a meeting of the student body to confer with authorities of the faculty regarding a definite course to be followed. We have assurance that the faculty will welcome such action on the part of the student body.

THE NEW STUDENT.

We have only one thing to say to the new student. That is: Do your best. In that case you will make careful use of our judging powers before you determine any course. You will not fall into evil habits nor into the clutches of bad company. You have a rare opportunity—that of getting a university education. For your own good as well as for the good of the school we urge you to make the best of it.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas: In the providence of almighty God Mrs. Kershner, the beloved wife of our President, Fredrick D. Kershner, has gone to her eternal home, and

Whereas: The students of Texas Christian University in assembly wish to extend to him and to others who mourn her loss, their condolence and sympathy in this time of deep distress, be it resolved:

First: That we express our deep grief for the absence of this one who has been our friend. We feel her death personally for by her patience, kindness and spirit of love she has won her own place in our lives.

Second: That we offer for them our prayers and commend them to the care of an alwise Father through Him who said, "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Third: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the university paper, to the Christian Courier, to the Christian Advocate and to the Christian Standard.

GRACE MASON,
KATHERINE RITER,
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Committee.

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CONCERNING THE ORATORY DEPARTMENT.

We are fortunate in having a large number of the graduates of last year in the department for further work try it, Poly.

J. Lindley Wood will take post-graduate work under Miss Reeves.

After a summer's study in the University of Chicago, Miss Juanita Kinsey will pursue her post-graduate work here.

Miss Francis Henderson visited the department recently. She is teaching this year in the High School of Fort Worth.

Miss Lucile Patterson writes entertainingly of her long trip abroad. She will spend the winter in Europe, devoting her time to a study of music under one of the famous masters.

Miss Willie Glen will teach in Van Alstyne this year, and is here at present to make arrangements for work in the oratory department for the winter. She hopes to be here at least once a month.

Mesrs. Dean and Ferguson will take their A. B. degrees this year and will appear in oratorical events of the season.

Roy G. Tomlinson is studying law in the University of Texas. Judging from his record in this institution, Roy will make another T. C. U. winner for the State U.

Mrs. C. I. Alexander is home from a long visit to her parents at Godley. We are fortunate in having her near us to help us in oratorical events of the year.

Miss Ethel Webb of the oratory class of '10 was a welcome visitor at the opening exercises. She will teach in South Texas.

Miss Gladys Hudson, graduate of '07 and post-graduate of '08, will have charge of the oratory department of Carr-Burdette College at Sheerman.

Miss Reeves has returned from a summer's visit to El Paso and Cloudcroft, New Mexico, much improved in health and full of vigor and enthusiasm for the coming work. She reports the enrollment of one of the most promising classes in the history of the school. With a large number of the old students in the department and such an increase in promising new ones the department is assured of a great year. A number of old students report that they have done some definite work on orations and debates, preparatory to entering the coming contests of the year.

Bert Camp assisted us with the athletic department of the Skiff this week. We are grateful.

Miss Mabel Baldwin, like other members of her class not being able to come to the opening, sent a number of friends from her town, who have entered school.

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ALUMNI NEWS.

The Skiff editor was glad to receive a letter just before going to press from Dan D. Rogers, president of the Alumni Association of Texas Christian University, and he had this to say:

"As president of the Alumni Association I want to ask for a little space in the columns of the Skiff each week this year to be known as the 'Alumni News' or something of that sort, and I am asking Bonner Frizzell to conduct this for the association and for the Skiff. Let me hear from you immediately."

Now that looks about as good to the Skiff men as anything that has happened. It looks like the alumni officers mean business. This will add much to the Skiff and we are more than glad to reply to "Dan" that he is welcome to use all the space he will have need of. The editor tried last year to get something of this very nature started but failed, we suppose because of the fact that he did not ask the right men to handle it. The Skiff wishes to urge every member of the Alumni Association to lend any possible aid to Mr. Frizzell and to make this department the aid to the university that it should be.

The officers of the Alumni Association are as follows: Dan D. Rogers, president; Mrs. Dan D. Rogers, secretary; Pete Wright, first vice president; Earl X. Gough, second vice president; Miss McPherson, treasurer.

PROGRAM.

Walton Literary Society, Monday, Sept. 16, 1912.

Piano Solo.....Mary Rackett
President's Address.....Grace Mason
My Summer Vacation.....Marina Styles
Short Story.....McXie May Mason
Vocal Solo.....Ellen Parker
The Real Walton Pepper.....
.....Libbie Wade
Why I Am Going to be a Walton.....
.....Roberta Scott
Violin Solo.....Miss Ault
You are cordially invited to be present and bring your friends.
Grace Mason, Pres.

CLARK LITERARY SOCIETY.

The members are back in large numbers and are full of enthusiasm for society work. The "pep" that is characteristic of Clarks is being fully demonstrated among the old and new girls. All ready quite a number of names have been handed in for presentation Monday, for as soon as a new girl learns of T. C. U. she knows something of the good literary work done by this society. The very fact that this Literary Society has the honor of bearing the name "Clark", is an attraction in itself. Some have said that they wanted to belong to a society that was working under the inspiration of such noble and great men as Addison and Randolph Clark, for the standard of this society could be nothing else but high. Not only do the Clarks have their regular interesting programs on Monday morning, but they bear in mind that the girls need social development and frequently during the year receptions are given for this purpose. Every girl is given an urgent and cordial invitation to visit the program of the Clark Literary Society, given Monday morning at nine o'clock. Some of the very best talent in the University will appear on this program. The following will be given:
Piano Solo.....Elizabeth Henderson
Reading.....Juanita Kinsey
Vocal Solo.....Grace Hackney
A Clark's Letter to a Clark.....
.....Willie Thetford
A Short Story.....Jack Baldwin
Piano Solo.....Katie Mae Clulton
An Old Girl's Answer to a New Girl's Questions.....Lois Wilkes

Goode Hall has a telephone, but Rosedale 2705 (the Girls' Home) has been erased from the directory.

Prof. Hamner, our smiling guardian of the Goode Hall boys, met his charges in chapel Thursday after dinner and gave them some good practical advice which, if followed, will add much to the health, beauty and happiness of the students. Prof. Hamner knows the boys and we speak for both they and him a pleasant year.

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A handsome contribution was made to it recently by the C. W. B. M. auxiliary of the Oak Cliff Christian Church. The gift consisted of Mission Study Reference Library No. 7—nine up-to-date and five volumes on China. Our gratitude to the Oak Cliff ladies will last all during the year, and for the many years that the books may be used in the future.

The Y. W. missionary librarian, Miss Grace Jones, is working now to secure the contribution of as many other volumes as possible. She will be glad to receive any good mission books from any Endeavor society, auxiliary, individual, or others; or she will be especially glad to receive the price of certain volumes to be selected by the committee. She is endeavoring to induce a number to contribute as much as one dollar to this fund, and the name of such contributors will be placed on the fly-leaf of the volumes purchased thus. Address Miss Grace Jones, T. C. U., Ft. Worth.

Miss Esther Strong of Dallas, is visiting the Manson girls this week.

Cullen Graves, '12, a prominent T. C. U. athlete, paid us a short visit this week.

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Mr. Herbert Bozeman, another member of the class of '12, was here the early part of the week and assisted his sister to matriculate. "Bo" wore a broad smile because of the good prospects for T. C. U.

Miss Mary Bain Spence, a prominent member of the Alumni Association, is another visitor at the institution.

It is good to see Brother Cassell, the faithful and hard working member of the Building Committee of the Board on the grounds several times this week.

John Bateman runs out to see us every chance he gets from his school in Fort Worth. He is in charge of the Department of History in this school. John expects to take some more work during the year in the university.

Gaitha P. Brous, '10, was here the early part of the week for the opening. "Big" Brous was much pleased when he saw the prospects we have for football and thinks he will be able to send us some good material for next year from Sherman, where he is teaching this year.

Miss Vier Allison visited the girls at Jarvis Hall a few times this week.

NEWS BREVITIES.

Joe J. Murray came up from Sulphur Springs Tuesday and soon returned to take charge of his work as voice teacher and director of the Sulphur Springs musical faculty. Joe left his younger brother, Ray, to represent his interest in T. C. U.

You have a cordial invitation to visit the Shirley Literary Society at the first open program Monday morning at 10:30.

We were glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis at the opening exercises Thursday.

Miss Francis Henderson was a pleasant visitor at the university the early part of the week.

Miss Elizabeth Higginbotham of Ennis, a member of the class of '11, is visiting at the Girls' Home.

Carl Melton, '12, could not get down to the opening, but he sent his brother, who entered school.

Miss Bettie Couch, another member of the '12 class, was a visitor at Jarvis Hall for a few days this week.

The Six BB's minus Lucille Hailey, enjoyed a feast in the club room Wednesday night.

Kathleen Gibson is helping her sister Margaret matriculate this week. She will be missed this year.

Margaret Gibson spent the night out in town, Tuesday night with Carrie Cassel—a party was given in her honor.

Earl Rogers left Friday evening for his home at Milford on a business trip. He will return before classes begin next Tuesday.

Miss Sue Webb, an old student of T. C. U., is visiting friends in the vicinity. She will not be back in school this year. She will be missed from all college activities.

Mrs. McKinney says the girls can do any thing they want to on Saturday night except one thing. The old girls know all too well what this one thing is.

The old students are delighted to see Profs. Hamner and Cockrell and Mrs. Cockrell, all former members of the faculty, in their old places again this year.

Milton E. Daniel, another of the graduates of '12, rushed in Friday night from Waco. He expects to stay a few days. "Dan" will enter the University of Texas as soon as that school opens and pursue work in the law department. He says he sure has been anxious to see us.

MRS. MCKINNEY TALKS TO THE GIRLS.

Wednesday night the girls were informed that they were to meet their chief advisor at exactly 7:30. Some were loath to give heed to the warning bell which rang out loudly enough at that time. However, fears were quickly laid aside when the girls heard the sane and motherly talk which greeted them. The rules laid down were few in number, and it was made plain that Mrs. McKinney expects the girls to act like university students, using their own judgments and they prove that inefficient. The kind matron urged that the girls each do all in their power to make each other feel at home and stressed the duty of each girl to see that no young lady should lack friends. Concerning church and Sunday School, Mrs. McKinney made it plain that the girls were expected to attend, but she stated that she would give them a few weeks on trial to see if they would take that suggestion and attend these services without being compelled. In case this should prove an inadequate suggestion, she promised that she would force them to go to these services if such a course became necessary.

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DEATH OF MRS. KERSHNER.

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dividuals made beautiful offerings, all in an effort to express that deep sorrow and sincere sympathy which pervades the university and all its activities.

Classes were suspended in the afternoon and the students and faculty attended a quiet and impressive funeral service which was held at the home of the President at 5 o'clock, just before the remains were taken to the train to be shipped to the home of the parents of Mrs. Kershner at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Dean W. B. Parks of the university very fittingly presided over this service. After the bier was brought into the library of the home, passing between two long lines of sorrowing students, the service was opened with a touching song from the quartette. Then followed, in the midst of the stillness and the hush, a prayer led by Prof. Sutton. The 57th Psalm, at the request of the mourning husband, was read by Rev. E. M. Waits of the Magnolia Christian Church. Rev. Anderson of the First Christian Church made the chief address, bringing many good words of comfort bearing especially upon the scripture reading and upon this sad occasion. Dr. Clinton Lockhart again led the hearts of the audience in prayer. Then followed a most appropriate but brief address by Dean Parks, who spoke chiefly of the life of Mrs. Kershner and of her devotion and high hopes for her husband. The closing prayer was led by Rev. Chalmers McPherson and then the sweet strains of the quartette music made a fitting close to the impressive service.

Mrs. Kershner.

Mrs. Kershner died very unexpectedly after a serious operation. She had been with us only one year, but in that short time she had been of such great assistance to her husband in his work among us and had lived so truly the Christian life that she had won the heart of every one that knew her. Mrs. Kershner first came to know President Kershner when she attended the school which he had charge of in Tennessee. A little later President Kershner had the pleasure of burying her in baptism and only about three years ago he had the privilege of making her his wife. She has lived and hoped and planned for him and for those of her community. Her whole life was given to the duty of making a true helpmate for her husband and thus to rendering a great service to her generation. To use the expression of Dean Parks, she planned continually for the upbuilding of hers and her husband's new home. This was her life work; and though it seems that the building is ceased, our sister has only gone to a higher plane of life for this service. It is sad indeed that she should have to leave us when the opportunity was so great for a rich life and a greater service. But our God knows best.

To the troubled and heartsick, but still strong husband, we can only say, in the words of the sweet hymn, "God will take care of you."

Grantland Anderson, '11, now of the firm of Sprinkle, Anderson & Glenn Co., proprietors of the Selz Royal Blue Shoe Store in this city, was out to see the football men work out Thursday and to give the editor a bit of interesting news concerning T. C. U. and Poly, an account of which appears in another column.

Every student felt like giving nine raps when they saw old "Blue" Ratten, of fame as a football player against Baylor in the years gone by, get off the car with the announcement that he was prepared to stay.

THE OPENING.

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and painted intolerance as the worst enemy to civilization in all ages. "A good example of intolerance," he said, "is the man who founded the great religious plea of which this institution is an instrument. I have heard the word 'Campbellites' and heard Alexander Campbell derided by intolerant men who have refused to inquire into his plea for less formalism." Mr. Ousley went on to say: "I believe in these religious institutions of learning. Since the State cannot recognize and cannot directly or even indirectly patronize a religious creed, or cannot in anywise couple itself with religious belief, there must be some center of Christian learning; there must be some sources of religious influence, and there must be some leavening from somewhere, or we will soon be abandoned to legalized materialism. * * * Your privilege as a member of the Church is to do the Church's work; to carry the beneficent influences that surround you here to what we might call, in a figurative sense, the Pagan associations of this unchristian age."

Our beloved President, Dr. Kershner, was not able to be with us, owing to the serious illness of his wife. In his absence Dean W. B. Parks officiated.

The opening has been all that could be hoped for. A gloom is now cast over everything on account of the death of our President's wife. It is the wish of the bereaved President, however, that everything proceed and that not his wishes and welfare be considered, but those of each individual student.

Y. W. C. A. ENTERTAINS.

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next, with the beautiful wedding ring hidden in the voluminous clusters of a sunflower. The bride, Miss Anna McNeil, who was dressed in a beautiful lace and satin dress, which was decorated in pearls and orange blossoms, came next, leaning on the arm of her father, Mr. Grace Mason, a stately old man in the conventional pink and white dress suit. The groom, Mr. Willie Thetford, in lavender dress suit, with Mr. Lela Odell, in pink dress suit, met the bride just in front of the altar, Mr. Odell and Mr. Mason stepping to the side.

The sacred ceremony, as conducted by Rev. Hackney, was indeed impressive. The bride's sweet voice, as she gave her pledge to the man of her choice, was as should belong to such as she. As this, the "new girl" representative of ALL the new girls, was pronounced chum and friend to this "old girl," representative of the good will and love of all the Y. W. C. A. girls, all felt that they were truly bound throughout their collegiate career to be as "one" always.

After the nuptials, a short program, which consisted of a piano solo by Elizabeth Henderson, vocal solo by Willie Thetford, and readings by Ethel Webb and Juanita Kinsey, was enjoyed by all. Then brilliant and pleasing conversation reigned throughout the remaining time, while all found their desired partners around the punch bowl.

Not until the supper bell was heard were the guests ready to depart, wishing for the happy continuation of friendship, and declaring that they would become members of the Y. W. C. A. of T. C. U.

Miss Kathleene Gibson, '12, of Waxahachie, is visiting her sister, Margaret, and other friends. She is also here to help us open shop, as are all the other '12s.

Y. M. C. A. PLANS BIG YEAR FOR THE SESSION.

Thursday night at 8 o'clock the Y. M. C. A. cabinet met in the parlor of Goode Hall and transacted some important business. The first thing definitely decided was the weekly meeting which will be each Wednesday night and the place which will be the parlors of Goode Hall. A general plan of program was arranged for the entire year. Besides the Wednesday night meetings it was arranged to have a "get together meeting" each Saturday night at which time wrestling matches and so forth, (in fact anything in order, which the boys want) will be the main features. These meetings will no doubt be popular and will give opportunity for the boys to know each other. The Wednesday night programs will include open and prepared discussions of such topics as would come under the general head of social problems.

Another series of studies is to include a study of the lives of great men and it is planned that systematic efforts will be made to bring out the causes of failures and successes of such men, etc. Also a joint session will be held with the Y. W. C. A. in which the problems that touch and concern the individual life of students will be studied.

It was decided to have the annual reception of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. at the earliest practical date, but a committee was asked to confer with the Y. W. C. A. authorities regarding a definite date. We are authorized to announce, however, that this reception will be a unique affair and will be of much interest to all the students and faculty members and we would suggest that they begin to lay plans to attend.

It will be seen from the above general outline of the plans and business transacted at this meeting that the Y. M. C. A. cabinet means business and is wide awake. The cabinet is composed of the following:

R. A. Highsmith, President; J. Lindley Wood, Secretary; Cecil Stiles, Chairman Membership Committee; Thomas J. Dean, Chairman Program Committee; John P. Cox, Chairman Financial Committee; Gordon B. McFarland, Chairman Social Committee.

President Highsmith has been actively engaged since the first day he arrived on the grounds in meeting trains and other similar work for the Y. M. C. A. He has already shown remarkable ability as leader of this organization. The Skiff wishes to urge all new members to line up with the Y. M. C. A. early as active members and to say that every young man in the institution should attend the first meeting.

Our Football Outlook

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chose him, for he is an experienced man. Coach Stewart first came into prominence in football circles while a student in Vanderbilt University. For four years he played upon this team, which in the last season gained the rare credit of tying Yale in a nothing to nothing game, and of playing a season of games in which they were not scored upon a single time.

Mr. Stewart coached one year in the Bell Academy, Mississippi, and has had a civil engineer's training and has followed that business successfully for some time. He is also known to be an active Y. M. C. A. man, and is a member of the Fort Worth branch of that organization. Besides being a young man and an active one and one ideally fitted for a coach, he is a man who will have a great influence for good among the athletic men.

THE MEN ON THE JOB.

Among the old men on the gridiron this year are "Blue" Rattan, better known as "Arabian Joe," the famous end of '10; Charley Bussey, quarterback; "Bun" Ware, heavy tackle and fullback; Luther Parker, tackle; Grover Stewart, lengthy guard; Grady Lavender, guard; Thos. Hopkins, tackle; Cecil Stiles, center; "Bug" Thannish, end; John P. Cox, halfback.

The new men are there alright, but it is impossible to line them up at present. We have them, big and heavy ones, experienced and inexperienced, but active and willing. Every man seems eager to learn all he can about the game, and that

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Green was chosen as the class color, the sunflower as class flower, and as motto, "Greenest Greeny of the Greeny Green." Satisfied with their first efforts in parliamentary law they adjourned "sine die."

Later.—The Freshmen really did have a meeting at which it seems they elected a real set of officers, but we have been so far unable to learn the particulars. The facts will be given to the anxiously awaiting public just as soon as feasible—possibly by an extra edition.

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The enrollment at this time is about 20 per cent higher than at this time any previous year.

"Reuben the Po-8" is here again in full force, but did not appear in this issue. He promises us plenty of material for coming issues. Bob Lines, our Reuben, has been of much assistance to the editor in former experiences and we are depending upon him again this year.

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