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## DEAN W. B. PARKS SERVES 25 YEARS

The time has come when Dean W. B. Parks feels that his work for his remaining years of his life lies outside of T. C. U.

Probably no man who has ever been connected with T. C. U. has given to it as great a part of his very life energies as has Dean Parks. As early as '86 he took the first of his several degrees from T. C. U. and ever since then has been in the service of his Alma Mater. At times he went East to study in larger universities there, but each time he returned—a larger man to assume larger duties.

Dean Parks has received three degrees from T. C. U.—B. S. in '86, A. M. in '92, and Ph. D. in '94. He has done graduate work in Harvard, Chicago, Virginia and Vanderbilt. For twelve consecutive years he held the chair of the Natural Science in T. C. U. For thirteen years he has been at the head of the Chemistry Department.

In the fall of 1910 the Board of Trustees decreed that a dean should be appointed to act as President; it was with wisdom and discretion that they chose the "grand old man of the faculty." He has always been held in the highest respect and regard by the student body.

Dean Parks, with his twenty-five years of service, has established a record in T. C. U. He is the only human tie that connects the old regime with the new. Students and alumni of many years ago ask in genuine solicitude about Dean Parks. Many changes have taken place, but through them all Dean Parks has held the interest of hundreds of students and alumni who otherwise would have fallen away.

Dr. Parks is a man with exceptionally high ideals; he possesses a strong moral courage and an unswerving consciousness of his path of duty. He is stern in his exactions of right living, but also has a kind and fatherly heart.

As Dean Parks takes his departure from Texas, every student and friend of the University feels the sincere loss of friend, councillor and guardian. No one can take his place. Thousands who have been connected with T. C. U. reluctantly bid him farewell.

We can truly say of him:

He counts his joys, not by the things he has,  
But by the good deeds he has done for others.

## MISS DURRETT IN GRADUATE RECITAL

Monday night at the T. C. U. auditorium, Miss Lucille Durrett gave her graduating recital. A good sized audience was present in spite of several competing attractions, and it was well repaid for coming. She gave a representative program, beginning with a Beethoven sonata, a middle group by D'Albert, Chopin, Liszt and MacDowell, and ending with the first movement of the Mendelssohn concerto in G Minor, in which the orchestral part was arranged for a second piano and was played by Miss Aline Wilson.

Miss Durrett plays with a degree of poise and control quite unusual in a music graduate, and this quality of repose in her work made her program very enjoyable. Her demeanor is gracious and unassuming, and this, together with her unmistakable talent gave her performance high rank. The recital was distinctly creditable to the music department, as well as to the performer and to her teacher, Miss Wilson.

## HAWAIIAN QUINTETTE GIVES FINAL RECITAL

The quartette and Hawaiian Quintet were heard for the last time in Chapel Saturday morning. The applause was vociferous and the singers were forced to answer six encores even before they gave any Hawaiian selections. We have heard compliments from all over the state regarding this bunch, and now feel assured that they deserved far more than they got. The last number executed by the Quintette was "Farewell to Thee," and seemed to strike a serious chord. We know there will be some harmony flying around at Leon Springs when the T. C. U. bunch gets wound up.

## RECEPTION TENDERED ENLISTED MEN

A royal farewell reception was tendered the enlisted men Friday night, the program of the evening including flag raising, band concert, addresses by President Waits, Dr. Cockrell and Dean Hall of the Bible College, who presented testaments to the men. After the program on the campus, the group adjourned to Jarvis Hall where an informal reception was held and refreshments served by the young ladies.

In the first address, Dr. Cockrell said in part: "No man is self-made. He is made within these college walls. In the four years you have spent in these walls you have grown to be a part of us and we a part of you. You have inculcated in you that culture based on human rights. Recognize your college brothers across the sea. Feel that you are in a holy cause—don't feel half-hearted—believe in your cause for it is humanity's cause. We expect you to come back noble and broad-minded, strong in mind and in body."

"The sword of the spirit is the best implement of warfare," remarked President Waits, as Dean Hall began his presentation speech.

"This storm is one that will strain and test your anchor of faith to the limit. When you are down in the valley you often need to lift yourself to the mountain top to see clearly. This Book gives you a mountain top vision, and will prove to be a firm anchor in time of storm," Dean Hall said.

Willis McGregor responded in a brief address: "If we had a message to give to you it would be one of gratitude. We appreciate your thoughtfulness in selecting these gifts. We have you to thank for four years—the happiest and most profitable of our lives. We hope we have become a part of the institution. These Bibles will stay with us as long as life shall last, and will help us not only to fight the battles of our country, but the battles of life."

"This is a memorable evening," said President Waits. "We are proud of these young men, we are proud to point them to this flag. Rome had its eagle, the Ottoman Empire its crescent, Venus its lion, France her lilies, the Crusaders the sign of the Cross, said to have been taken from the heavens; England has her lion and unicorn, Russia her bear, Germany her black eagle, but we have in the folds of our flag the azure of the infinite sky, a constellation of immortal stars, the crimson of the dawn, the white from the immaculate lily. If we are to choose a banner for the parliament of man—the federation of the world—we could not choose a better flag."

"We are expanding as a nation. The sea no longer divides, but unites. The greatest heritage of America is her unpurchasable and unattainable young manhood."

"God has written over every throne in Europe, 'Weighed in the balance and found wanting.'"

"Our flag stands for the greatest of all things, brotherhood and sympathy. As every one stood at attention the National anthem was played and the Stars and Stripes went up to adorn the new flag pole for the first time."

The reception was an enjoyable affair, and was attended by many. On the Hill at the exercises all the student body was present. Most of the residents of the Hill and many friends from town attended also. Too much praise cannot be given the young ladies for their thoughtfulness in providing such a suitable gift for the boys and for their part in the smoothly executed program of the evening.

## C. U. S. S. E. S. MAKE MERRY.

Last Sunday and Monday were gala days for the C.U.S.S.E.S. "Daddy Bill" Holtzclaw, the unanimously elected "Patron Saint" of the C.U.S.S.E.S., played well his part on these two days. Sunday morning, they breakfasted at "Stogie"; Sunday night they reveled at a midnight feast; and, —last, but not least!—they budded forth with a dinner party down town Monday evening.

## FRESHMEN LEAD Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. was lead by Freshmen co-eds Sunday night and a very interesting and helpful meeting was reported.

Sophomores lead the next session and an excellent meeting is promised all who come.

## GISH LOSES CASE IN CUPID'S COURT

Romance is not dead, neither has the Spirit of Pan left our Hill. Once more Judge Cupid has held court, decided the "case," and sentenced two of our students to pay the life penalty, in that sweetest of all prisons, home.

Monday, May 7, sometime between sunrise and midnight, Mr. Ralph Martin and Miss Abigail Willingham were united in marriage. "Gish," as we all know, needs no eulogy. We have seen him on the football field, in the law room, and more recently, we have seen him join that group of men who left for Leon Springs to serve their country in its time of need. But however much we may praise Gish, and esteem him for his many qualities, he has more than found his "match" in his bride. Abigail unites those two striking qualities so seldom found in the same girl, strong, intellectual ability, combined with rare beauty. Last year she won the freshman scholarship, and in the same year was unanimously acknowledged the most beautiful girl in T. C. U.

We knew it was coming sometime, from the rapture on their faces as they sat on the stone steps after breakfast, dinner, and supper, but we didn't know that it was coming so soon. But we do know that if they will only be as happy after the marriage as they were before, they will have no regrets. We feel sure that they will be happy, and wish for them the very best of wedded life.

And the Spirit of Spring and of Life is still in the air. "Who'll be the next?"

## WM. JONES ELECTED STUDENT PRESIDENT.

Wm. Jones, of Lancaster, England, was elected president of the student body to succeed Willis MacGregor, who is at the Citizens' Training Camp. Jones is a popular man and a student of the progressive type, and is certainly deserving of this honor.

## T. C. U. PROFESSOR ENGAGED IN ORIGINAL RESEARCH.

Doctor Wilson, professor of psychology, is making some original research work along the line of Religious Psychology. He has submitted a set of questions to students for answer, and will compile statistics from these.

## THE HONOR ROLL

Officer's Reserve, Hospital Corps, and Cavalry.

Willis M. McGregor, Alden A. Evans, Shirley Sweeney, Charles W. Christenberry, Tom Paul Sweeney, Ralph D. Martin, Gayle Scott, Harry Bradford, John C. Nelson, Hugh Brewster, Gus Patison, William R. Snow, Heywood Leveridge, Rayford Hills, Claude Korngay, Jack Hammond, J. W. Tripplett, Avis Alexander, Frank Ogilvie, Lee Willie, Wiley Finney, Clyde Durringer, Popanoe, Chas. Hicks and W. R. Scott.



## Flag of Starry Blue

Flag of the starry blue,  
Our hearts beat true to you.  
Within your folds our hearts you hold;  
Your wave commands our land and gold.  
You guard by day and night  
Our homes and firesides bright,  
A hundred million hearts you thrill—  
Flag of the starry blue.  
Flag of the starry blue,  
Our vows we each renew.  
When foes oppress we'll stand the test,  
For by thy presence we are blest.  
Thy crimson stripes are as red  
As the blood we long to shed  
To keep from shame, defeat and blame,  
Our flag of the starry blue.  
—K. T. B.

## THROUGH FILLS DEPOT WHEN BOYS ENTRAIN.

A great throng filled the T. & P. depot Tuesday evening as the last contingent of Leon Springs reserves left. Practically the entire student body was present to give the boys a royal send-off. Cheerfulness seemed to pervade the atmosphere, yet a serious note was noticeable.

## MANY PROFS. ATTEND MISSIONARY MEET

T. C. U. was well represented at the thirtieth Annual Missionary convention of the Christian Churches of Texas held at Austin this week. Among those who attended from Fort Worth were President Waits, Doctor Wilson, Chancellor Weaver, Dean W. B. Parks, Dean Colby D. Hall, Professor Chalmers McPherson and Prof. James Crain.

A special program on Education Day featured Texas Christian University and other colleges of the Disciples in Texas.

Delegates were in attendance from all over the State to the number of about 1,000, representing practically every city of any size.

The T. C. U. delegation returned Thursday and reported the greatest convention in the history of the movement.

## MANY RECRUITS NOT TO ATTEND CAMP.

Five hundred and eighty-six men have been notified not to report at Leon Springs on account of an excess number having been enrolled. No T. C. U. men were notified, showing that they passed satisfactory examinations, as those were notified who were lowest on the list.

## FACULTY ALLOWS ALL RE- CRUITS FULL CREDIT.

The faculty, at a meeting Thursday, passed resolutions allowing credit for work to the men who had enlisted. The classification committee will pass on the men and all work that was in good shape when the student left will be accredited.

## HARRY LEE WORKS GOOD ON PANTHER SQUAD.

Harry Lee, our former Southpaw twirler, seems to be making good with a rush as is characteristic of T. C. U. men who have gone the same route. Lee has worked with the Panthers in two games, has won one and lost one, the latter apparently on account of poor support. We all wish Harry Lee the best success in the world.

Attachments that accompany a watch patented by a New York man enables it to be worn on a wrist or in a pocket, holding it securely in either case.

## G. E. R. M. S. ENTERTAIN FRESHMAN MEDICS

The Germs of the Freshman Medical Class, with a view of having a good time, and incidentally showing their fellow Fish that they could handle the frying pan as well as the dissecting knife, and could saw bread as well as bones, served breakfast to some of these embryo doctors in Forest Park Wednesday morning. Several things happened which had not been included in the program. Two of the Medics offered to make the fire—the best fire that could be made. They made such a good one that—well, they were all inside cooking, when Dr. Agee who was outside spreading the table, cried: "Oh, what a pretty fire," and they came out to find that the flames were coming out of the top of the chimney and reaching the tree tops. The ham and eggs were set aside to cool while the Volunteer Fire Department got busy. "Fireman" Smith especially distinguished himself by his bravery in climbing up the wall of the building to the roof and pouring water, by the cupful, down the chimney. After an interview with the manager of the Park, and the tearing down of the chimney the company turned their attention to the delayed breakfast, and found that the excitement and labor had only served as a stimulant to their appetites, and the table was soon emptied. The Germs proved their ability to plan and serve a good meal—though to tell the truth, the boys made the coffee and the toast—and the boys were given an opportunity to display their bravery, and every one had a good time.

Those enjoying the early feast were Doctors "Pestis" Smith, "Anthrax" Owen, "Streptococcus" Agee, better known as "Strep," and "Tuberculosis" Jones, called T. B. for short, with their guests, Doctors "Got That" Powell, "Farmer" Hall, "Fireman" Smith, and "L. Areolar T." Haley.

## MRS. GARDNER HEADS RED CROSS MOVE

At an enthusiastic Red Cross meeting during the chapel hour Friday, recruiting work for membership in the American Red Cross was begun.

Mrs. Gardner explained the scope and work of the Red Cross Society in a brief address and urged all to line up with his worthy organization.

At noon Friday the young ladies who had the work in charge reported many signatures to the membership rolls, and many more were awaiting the opportunity to sign.

As usual, T. C. U. is taking advantage of this opportunity to aid an organization that stands for aiding humanity.

## WELL KNOWN ALUMNI SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

Mr. W. S. Hutton, State Bible School Superintendent of the Christian Churches, led the devotions at chapel Saturday. He read a portion of the second chapter of Timothy, and gave the enlisted men a brief but uplifting message. We are always glad to have S. W. with us, and hope he will arrange to come more often.

## BIGGERSTAFF VISITS UNIVERSI- TY.

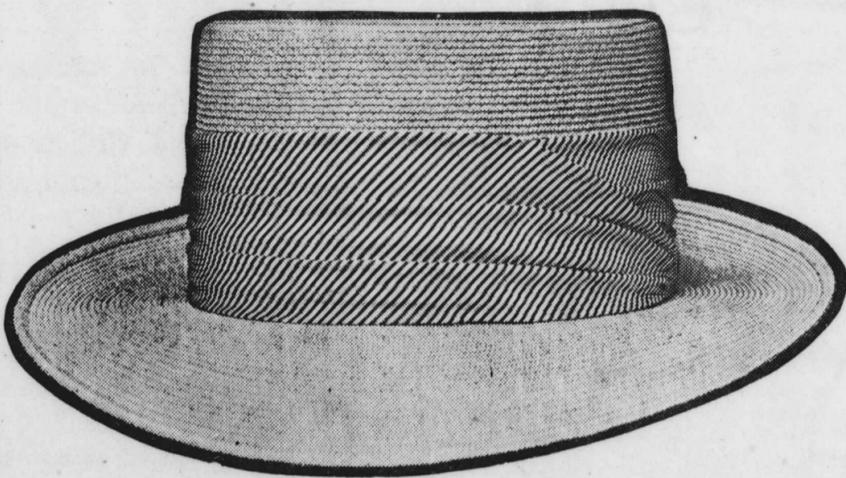
Motorman U. Y. Biggerstaff, who has recovered partially from his recent misfortune, was a visitor on Conductor J. B. William's car Thursday and it looked quite natural to see the old team together. Mr. Biggerstaff expects to be back in harness in about a month.

## CONDUCTOR FISHBURN NOW A "DADDY"

Born to Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Fishburn, a blue-eyed baby girl, Dr. Fishburn is the good-looking young conductor on the Forest Park line, and the many friends of the family at T. C. U. offer their heartiest congratulations.

Medical students of T. C. U.—or even pre-medics—are not worrying over the passage or non-passage of the conscription act, for they will not be affected.

The government is planning to use their medical and surgical knowledge to a better advantage than carrying a rifle.



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## FRIENDSHIP

Friendship plays a bigger part in business today than ever before. Friendship is the raw stock in business.

In a world where death is, there is no time for hate.

The religion of the future will be a religion of friendship.

"Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for his friend."

We do not today so much die for our friends as we live for them.

The Fraternity is a company of friends. Friendship must not take the form of the "Frat," which is exclusive and tends to shut the world out.

"There is no such thing as happiness, health, progress, without friendship," said Cicero, and his essay on friendship is immortal after a lapse of 2,000 years.

The dead carry in their closed hands only that which they have given away. The living carry in their hearts that love which they bestow upon another.

"God manifests Himself in the divine gift of friendship," said Emerson.

One can bear grief, but it takes two to be glad.

The tragedy of life is the friendship that grows to be a common thing.—New York American.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Brite College Library has recently added the following volumes on Christian Sociology:

King—Theology and the Social Conscience.  
Hall—Social Solutions in the Light of Christian Ethics.

Mathews—The Social Teachings of Jesus.

Mathews—The Church and the Changing Order.

Mr. Will Snow, student in T. C. U., recently donated: Cross—"A History of England and Great Britain."

Readers' Guide Supplement from 1907-1915, and 1916 have been purchased by the University

Prof. Colby D. Hall has presented a copy of Burton, "The Life of Christ."

Prof. W. H. Batson has presented a copy of Personal Memoirs of U. S. Grant.

Mr. Grabill of the University of South Dakota, has presented his music book as follows: The Mechanics of Piano Technic: A Primer.

Mr. Tracy D. Mygatt, young American dramatist, has presented a copy of his recent play in four acts, "Watchfires." The introduction is by David Starr Jordan.

Another war book has arrived: Headlam—The Issue, 1917.

Editor Chris has went. We feel sure that he is still here in spirit, tho, and will look forward to the time when we edit this sheet and can assign him stories to run down. Chris is a Prince of a fellow and has done great work in the University this year. It is a pleasure to work with such a man. Chris always had a smile and pleasant words for every one (especially the fair ones) and will long live in the memory of his friends and acquaintances.

We can't fight booze and Germany both. We talk about crop shorage and yet let breweries "hog" our grain to use for liquor. Profiting by the lessons other fighting nations have learned, we should cut out booze now, for a fighting nation cannot have a clean cut chance for victory when the booze question is unsettled. Wake up! America!

Stand up, students, whenever you hear the Star Spangled Banner, and do homage to that wonderful tribute to our flag. We are opposed to the promiscuous playing of the National anthem in theatres and other places of amusement, yet T. C. U. students should take the lead in standing at attention whenever it is played.

"No tears, please," was the request of our boys who left for camp. Let's bannish whatever sorrow there might be and let sunshine abound. Send some of it down to Leon Springs by post to brighten up the camp.

"Disappointed in T. C. U." was the verdict of some of our sister schools over the state who have college Y. M. C. A. work at heart. T. C. U. in the past has had some great years in association work, and we must begin planning now for a successful Y. next fall. It will have a great part in the lives of the young men.

"Lazy Fish!" was the compliment given the freshman class when between twenty and thirty of their number remained seated during song and prayer in chapel one day. Come out of it, Fish, you've been here long enough to know better, and there is no excuse.

## Music Notes

Wednesday night Mr. and Mrs. Cahoon and Miss Anne McLendon appeared in recital in Austin. This date was intended to be filled by the Men's Glee Club but on account of the club having disbanded the faculty artists undertook the engagement.

Miss Inez Hudgins will give her graduating recital in piano Friday night of this week. Her program appeared in these columns last week.

As was announced last week, a piano recital by Miss Katherine Bailey of Dallas will be given in the T. C. U. auditorium next Monday night under the auspices of the Music Study club. Miss Bailey is a pianist of much distinction and her program is awaited with much interest. Proceeds of the concert will be devoted to the bandstand fund.

Mr. Hamilton, who has been assisting in coaching the Apollo Club, a male chorus in the neighboring city of Cleburne, appeared in the role of Gessler in his comic operetta, "William Tell," last Thursday night. The Apollo Club furnished the program for the second night of the spring.

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YOUR  
SUMMER  
TOGS

EVERYTHING  
THAT  
WOMAN  
WEARS



## CLARK SOCIETY Pro and Con on Feminism

The women of the United States are perfectly willing to shoulder the hoe and the rake, as our President suggests—especially if that will lessen the probability of our boys haying to fight. "Selfish!" you say. That's "common sense."

Husband (waiting below)—What on earth has kept you?

Wife (frustrated)—I had to stop and make daughter's dress shorter. It is astonishing how that girl grows.

Some woman, wanting to furnish a new home, wrote the House and Garden: "I hear that pictures are going out. Is this true?" They are not all dead yet.

"I have a friend," said a thoughtful woman, "who makes a bed so that it does not seem like a bed, but like a work of art. I am afraid she does not pray very often, but I can always pray better by a bed she has made"—Good Housekeeping.

Miss Ruth Law holds the American record for non-stop, long-distance flight made last November on her trip from Chicago to New York, when she flew 590 miles before alighting for fuel. She also holds the world's record for woman aviators and is considered the leading woman fier of the world.—Outlook.

Girls, read "Making Yourself Fascinating at Fifty," by Annette Kellerman in April Physical Culture. The article has good suggestions for all castes at any stage of life—and while it is addressed to women it is good for men if they care to be fascinating.

Chancellor C. S. Weaver spoke in chapel Friday on "Observation." He had charge of devotions, reading the gospel of Matthew in part and gave us a thoughtful selection of poetry.

A patent has been issued for a perforated towel rack for bath rooms that can be connected to a faucet by a rubber tube and used as a bath spray.

Electrically controlled oilers for moving machinery have been invented, several of which can be operated from a centrally located switch-board.

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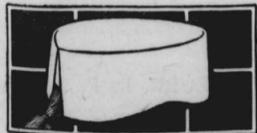
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"Now, hubby."  
"Huh?"  
"Will you love me when I am old?"  
"Why not? Nowadays a grandmother looks as chic as anybody."—Kansas City Journal.

Scarcely a day passes that we do not hear of the women breaking into some new form of activity. Anything except breaking dishes in the kitchen.—Rochester Herald.

"What does this chap do for a living?" asked the Secret Service man.  
"Writes musical comedies."  
"Pass him along. He never had anything to do with a plot in his life."

## ERRATA

W. L. Thornton

We are living in a world of mystery, seen and unseen, known and unknown, natural and supernatural. There are problems that challenge our attention, evade our perception, and baffle our reason. There are tasks to be performed, character to be builded; and a goal to be reached. The search after the key of success is the dream of youth and the most serious occupation of manhood. Man seems to exist to accomplish, and if he does not excel in something he is denounced as a failure.

First, let us get perspective. We will go by stage over the mountains from Santa Maria to Santa Barbara. The stage, with six good horses and an experienced driver, is ready, and we are off. We ford the Santa Nez River at sunrise. A brisk drive across the valley and we reach the foothills. Far up in the mountains a thunder storm is on. At 9 o'clock we change stage and stock and begin the climb. Our road, cut from solid granite, is barely wide enough for the stage. We change horses again and continue our way through a drenching rain. By 11 o'clock we have reached the cloud. The lightning is about us. The thunder is deafening. Occasionally a rift in the cloud reveals the yawning canon, where hundreds of feet below, tall pines with outstretched arms promise to receive us if a horse should slip or the roadbed give way. Soon we are out of the rain, but enveloped in a dense fog—the upper part of the cloud. By 12:30 sunlight begins to break through and patches of intensely blue sky appear. Another hour and we have reached the summit. No clouds, no fog, but dazzling sunlight, air pure as ether, and all so calm, so strangely still, so marvelously soothing, that we feel truly in the presence of the Most High.

As we pursue our way along the summit, lying to the north of us is an ocean of fog, its white billows glisten in the sunlight, while from beneath its feathery surface comes the rumble of the unabated storm. Looking to the south, we get our first glimpse of the far famed Southern California, with its orange groves white with blossoms and golden with ripening fruit, and its warm air fragrant with the breath of flowers. To the southeast the peaceful Pacific sleeps as calmly as an inland lake. It seems within walking distance, although really twelve miles away.

This bit of mountain climbing and the view from the summit will help us to perceive and hold in mind several facts essential to the attainment of

success. Let the low valley represent the individual in the early morning of the journey of life; the be-fogged, storm-beaten mountain the traveler in the thick of the fight for success; and the summit the attainment of the reality; his, now, extended view the reward of his toilsome journey, and his greater field of usefulness.

The masses of humanity have always lived in the valley under the cloud of desire. A few great souls in all ages have ascended the mountain to its very summit, accepted with gratefulness the new view, and entered graciously into their wider field of usefulness. These mountain climbers have been the builders of the pioneer investigators. Not a few have lost their way or sacrificed their lives in an effort to reach the summit. In every age these few illumined souls who have climbed to the heights have been the prophets and revelators of the centuries through whom humanity has received its inspiration to move forward in the grand march of accomplishment.

What is true of the race is true of the individual. We all live some of the time, in the valley under the cloud of desire. Occasionally some of us make excursions into that sweet realm of thought, to dwell for a time in meditation and speculation concerning things better and higher. Sometimes some of us start but are submerged at the river; some are hopelessly lost in the thickness of the fog; others, through hard work, love and obedience, faith and devotion, reach the summit, and like the prophets of old, hold sweet communion with man and God.

With this picture in our minds, we start for the heights that are awaiting us. In this path of ascent truth is to be our guide, for truth is the light of the mind. It is the essence of knowledge, the basis of reason, the power that moves the world forward. "As a quiver from the eternal world smote the earth and life throbbed in the heart, and beauty flashed in a formless world," so the light of truth is fast penetrating the hidden mysteries of nature and transforming them into gems of priceless value. Never before was man so willing to "put away childish things," and exchange his time honored beliefs and poetic superstitions for plain facts and the simple truths. The century that has just passed into history witnessed great advancement; but the century, in the dewy morning in which we live, will witness much greater achievements and more marvelous results in the realm of human attainment. This means that the man who today reaches the summit must pay the price. The law of the survival of the fittest applies to human attainment.

The first requisite to success is preparation. In order to have a prosperous journey we must have all things in readiness before starting. After preparations have been made we must have the will and courage to compete with opposition; we must determine within ourselves that we are going all the way. We start, but soon we come upon difficulty. Our passage is obstructed by a river. This river must be crossed if we continue the journey. Shall we undertake to ford it or shall we play the coward and turn back? If we turn back we will be forced to live in the valley with the masses, if we ford it we will be able to continue to the next difficulty. "Very true," says the coward, "but in crossing we are all liable to be drowned, and besides, after we have crossed this we will come upon something more difficult." This is the cry of the man who is doomed to failure. This world has no place for the man who is afraid. The man worth while is the man who dares. Cowardice is the first sign of failure.

Two boys are selling aluminum ware in order to get means to carry on their work in College. One afternoon, one of these boys approached an aristocratic home for the purpose of making an attempt to sell his goods. He rang the door bell; the call was answered by a negro maid. Upon telling her his business, he was informed that the lady of the house was ill. The next afternoon he called again, but this time the lady of the house was not in, so he was informed. That evening he told his co-worker of his unsuccessful attempts. His co-worker was a coward, always afraid that he would do something wrong, and as a result of it never did anything. He informed our hero that he must not call at that home any more, as he expected to make a number of sales in that block; "but," he said, "if you keep tormenting that lady she will tell the others about us and we will not make a single sale in that block."

But our friend was not one that could be easily discouraged. The next afternoon he called at this home again. Again he was turned away by the negro maid. But providence is always with those who dare; so just as he turned to go, it began to rain. He requested of the maid that he be



WM. ("BILL") BERRY

Mr. Wm. Berry, popular athlete and student, has accepted the position as Saturday Assistant at Lubin's Clothes Shop, 1204 Main Street, to succeed Mr. Chas. Christenberry, now of the Leon Springs Camp. Mr. Berry will be on duty Saturday afternoon of each week and will be more than glad to be of any service to the young men of the institution. He has acquainted himself with the new spring styles and patterns now carried by Lubin's and feels that he understands the wants and needs of his fellow students.

Berry carries the same old "pep" into his new work that he did on the football field last fall, and he believes he is just as good a clothier as he is an athlete. Anyway, "Bill" says: "Just come pay me a visit at Lubin's Clothes Shop, and see for yourself."

permitted to stand on the porch until the shower had passed, to which she consented. While waiting he heard a lovable voice from within, "Mary, who is the young gentleman on the front porch?" "I dunno, some old agent I guess. He's been coming round' heah fer two or three days. I've been telling him you was not in." "Well," said the lady of the house, "why didn't you tell me of his calling?" At this juncture she opened the door and invited the young man into her nicely furnished parlor. In a business way he presented his plea for a sale. This time he was successful. He succeeded in selling goods enough to make a profit of ten dollars. In addition to the sale he made a friend of the lady. She encouraged him by expressing to him her interest in young men who were bucking the line. He left her home richer in purse, better from having talked with her, and the satisfaction of knowing that he had done what he started out to do.

This is typical of the journey up the mountain of success. Success awaited this man, just behind that negro maid, all the time. His problem was to get her out of the way. She stood as an obstruction to his progress. Had he become discouraged when the first attempt had been made he would not have made the sale. The following poem entitled "Unsubdued," illustrates his, and the efforts of all others who have ascended to the heights.

"I have hoped, I have planned, I have striven,  
To the will I have added the deed;  
The best that was in me I've given,  
I have prayed but the gods would no heed.

I have dared and reached only disaster,  
I have battled and broken my lance;  
I am bruised by a pitiless master,  
That the weak and the timid call chance.

I am old, I am bent, I am cheated,  
Of all that youth urged me to win;  
But name me not with the defeated,  
Tomorrow again I begin!"

The river crossed, we pursue our journey up the mountain of attainment. But we have not traveled far until another difficulty is seen and heard. We reach the cloud of fog and mist. Perhaps this is the most trying period of our journey. We become seemingly lost in a world of complexities, or a while we are at a loss to know just what to do. Everything that happens makes our position more precarious. An awkward move and we will fall over the precipice into the valley of disappointment and ruin. We are in the thick of the fight. We continue with the lightning of sarcasm and the thunder of ridicule flashing and bursting around us. Shall we give up or shall we move farther into the dismal storm? If we give up we are certain never to reach the summit, for it is beyond the fog and storm. The quitter and the coward cries, "We can't go any further, let us turn back!" "We will all be lost if we continue to move forward. And if we get out of this we will very likely find something worse."

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Over seventy members of the class, including a few invited guests, were present at the feast. Mr. Edwin A. Elliott, teacher, was the toastmaster of the evening, introducing Dr. L. D. Anderson, Prof. Jas. Crain, Mr. Geo. W. Saam, Mr. Harold A. Stevens, Mr. Milton Daniel, Mr. Edwin Kane, Mr. Emerald Wallace, Mr. Clyde Woodruff and Mr. Marvin Fitzgerald as the principal speakers.

To the Board of Directors of the class which had a part in the program and of which Norman H. Langston is the president, is due the credit for the marvelous growth of the class. These young business men have given unselfishly of their time, money and best thought in the interest of the class. The personnel--Allan Cagle, Robt. Albrecht, W. B. Adkins, Albert McPherson, P. N. Davis, Willis Thompson, Chas. Crabtree, J. Powell, Clyde Woodruff and Marvin Fitzgerald.

Another contest with military analogy will begin soon. "The Cavalry" will be directed by Mr. Woodruff and Mr. Albrecht, and "The Infantry" by Mr. Adkins and Mr. Fitzgerald.

Realizing the fact that many of the men were to leave for the army, the theme of Mr. Elliott's talk was an expression of pride in and esteem for the men because they were going not for personal gain but for humanity's sake, and that ties of home and loved ones and love for the noblest and best in life would hold them true.

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That craves to be a part  
Of the divine command.  
Speak, prove us more than ease or  
mart,  
And vindicate the land.

Thine shall the glory be  
To mark the sacred hour  
That testifies the free  
Will neither cringe nor cower  
God give thy voice divinity.  
That Right be armed with Power.

Thou art not lifeless steel  
With but a number given,  
But messenger of weal  
Hot with the wrath of Heaven.  
Go earn the right to Honor's seal--  
To have for Honor striven.

Lead us in holy ire  
The path our fathers trod;  
The music of thy fire  
Shall thrill them through the sod,  
The smoke of all thy righteous choir  
Is incense unto God.

And when long Peace is found  
And, thou hast earned thy rest,  
And in thy cave of sound  
The sparrow builds her nest,  
By liberty shalt thou be crowned  
Of all thy comrades, best.  
--New York Times.

**WITH THE OLD TIMERS.**

Bill Berger, former baseball star, returned to Fort Worth and enlisted. Clyde Tomlinson enlisted in the Officers Reserves and visited friends on the hill before leaving. Aaron Griffing, member of the National Guard, is in Fort Worth for a few days. Rev. R. A. Highsmith, '14, was a welcome visitor at the University last week.

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Thornton--"My love for you, dear Miss Edwards, is like a consuming fire that burns everything in its path."

Miss Edwards--"Then I fear that it would be unwise to choose such a husband to handle my money."

"Opportunity knocks at every man's door."  
"Too often, however, it is the opportunity to open a peanut stand, whereas we would rather start a bank."--Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Husband--"Where have you been?"  
The Wife--"Playing bridge."  
"Did you win?"  
"No, I lost."

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself. You should have been at home looking after your children."--Yonkers Statesman.

Mrs. Johnson--"How do you feel dis maw'nin', Joe?"  
Mr. Johnson--"I feels bad, mighty bad! I wish dat Providence would have mussy on me an' take me."

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