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Count Felix von Luckner Relates Sea Experiences

Tells of Leaving Home to See America and Buffalo Bill.

HYER PRESENTS SPEAKER German Pirate Eliminates All Horrors of World War in Lecture.

BY E. H. The life of a sailor before the mast, the swelling of 35,000 square feet of canvas over head, the rolling, tossing deck beneath one's feet and the odor of fresh sea spray as it dashes over the deck rail; all were present before a capacity audience as Count Felix von Luckner, beloved pirate of the main, spoke in Central High School auditorium last Thursday night.

"I am a sailor," he said, "and to understand me you must take me as one."

Among the varied accomplishments of Count Luckner is one that is least spoken of but was most outstanding in his recent lecture here. That is his ability as an actor. Combining a convincing personality with a clear pronunciation accented only enough to be unique, he spoke more than two hours without any serious signs of a tiring audience. He told of leaving home in Germany as a schoolboy, changing his name, and catching a Russian ship bound for Australia with the knowledge that the world was round and that he ultimately would arrive in America and see his hero, Buffalo Bill.

"In Australia I joined the Salvation Army with the idea of becoming a lieutenant and fulfilling the hopes of my father that I become an army officer. But advancement was too slow and a little later I was aboard an American ship bound for America and Buffalo Bill."

Arriving in America three months later he worked his way to Denver, Colo., the home of Buffalo Bill, only to find when he got there that his hero was then in Germany in Luckner's own locality. But Luckner's pluck continued and after many ups and downs in this country and Australia he returned to his birthplace. However he did not go directly to his home but instead took up and passed the navigation requirements of a German naval lieutenant. He then returned to his father and mother and was received as the prodigal son. Six years after coming home he was in possession of more medals for life saving than any other person in his country.

Count saves 120,000 Germans. It was 1916 and the triple blockade of the British was seemingly impenetrable when Count Luckner offered to outfit a windjammer having a 1,000 horse power motor and a sail spread of 36,000 square feet as a Norwegian ship and to run the blockade. By destroying 64,000 tons of saltpeter on the trip it is figured that he saved the lives of about 120,000 German soldiers.

The ship was disguised as a Norwegian one and several months were spent in the process of arranging even the most minute details so that when searched by a British ship, the Roma, as it was called, would have all the appearance of a neutral ship. No arms were carried and the crew wore British passes made ready for the inspection of the British should they board the Roma.

Gets Through British Hands. "There were two possible chances of us getting through the blockade and the first was a hurricane, the second was a pitch dark night. We were off on the morning of Dec. 22 and on the 23rd we met a hurricane. We met the blockade in the dead of night and steered our course by the stars as we didn't even have a pilot light burning. We swept along with the storm and encountered no hostile ships as they had all been forced to port by the storm. Ours was the only sailing vessel in the war. The Roma was a steamer and was forced to stop. Just as they thought they were safely through the blockade a British destroyer, the Adventurer, how into sight and commanded the Roma to stand by. When the British lieutenant commander boarded the ship he found everything plausible and even offered the captain of the Roma a pass that would convey him safely through all British naval hands.

Two especially noted attributes of the speaker were his flare for minute details in description and an honest sense of humor. His adventures were related in much the manner of a man relating a pleasure cruise. None of the gruesome horrors of the war was dwelt upon nor did he make of himself a hero at any time.

Prof. C. R. Sherer of the mathematics department introduced State Senator Julien Hyer who in turn introduced the speaker. This lecture was the third of this year's T. C. U. lecture series of which Professor Sherer is chairman.

Senior Sports Party To Be Held Tonight

To Honor Frogs Playing Last Year Here—Schmidt and Waits to Attend.

The Senior Sports Party will be held tonight at the Woman's Club at 7 o'clock, honoring all athletes who are playing their last year in any varsity sport.

Honor guests, beside the athletes, will be Coach Francis Schmidt, L. C. Wright, athletic director, President E. M. Waits, J. W. Ballard, class sponsor, and Mrs. A. W. Hyer, class mother.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the banquet is headed by Miss Vera Turbeville. Assisting her are Misses Leora Bennett, Gerline Dane, Sarah Beth Boggess, Louise Burgess and Carl Evans, and Lloyd Burns.

Triangle Debate Plans Are Made

T. C. U., Baylor, Simmons Enter Contest for Third Year.

Plans for the third annual triangle debate between Texas Christian University, Baylor University and Simmons University have been completed. The Pi Kappa Delta question will be used: Resolved, that nations should adopt a plan of complete disarmament, excepting such forces as are needed for police purposes.

Feb. 7 has been set as the date for the contest. The debates will be held as follows: Baylor vs. Simmons, at Abilene; Texas Christian vs. Simmons at Fort Worth; and Texas Christian vs. Baylor at Waco. Simmons is manager of the triangle debate this year.

Simmons University won the contest in '27-'28, and Baylor University won in the '28-'29 contest.

Los Hidalgos Holds Banquet at La Fonda

New Members Receive Club Pins From President After Their Stunts.

Los Hidalgos held its regular meeting Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock in the form of a banquet at La Fonda. The program opened with a song "Viva La Companie." Miss Frances Hill was toastmistress. The toasts were as follows: "To New Members" by Miss Phyllis Ellis, "Responses" by Miss Janet Largent, "To the Sponsor" by Miss Virginia Baty, and "To Los Hidalgos" by Kenneth Martin.

Each new member was required to perform some stunt, and as each completed his stunt, a Los Hidalgos pin was presented to him by the president, Kenneth Martin. The program was concluded with the Los Hidalgos song. The souvenirs were small noise makers from the interior of Mexico. The following were present: Misses Ellis, Largent, Hill, Baty, Frances Carmichael, Nelida Smith, Bennie Sue Ratliff, Edith Armstrong, Elizabeth Huchingson, Zilpha Haskins, Madelon Flynn, Mildred Rhodes, Clotilda Houle.

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Fort Worth Painters Hold Art Exhibition

The Fort Worth Painters' Club has an art exhibition at the Junior Woman's Club which opened Sunday, Dec. 1, and will continue for three weeks. Prof. Samuel P. Ziegler, head of the art department of T. C. U., is president of the organization and has four canvases and one lithograph in the exhibit.

One canvas is a large self portrait made in the summertime with the sky as the background. Another is a landscape made near the T. C. U. campus. One canvas which has caused quite some comment is a group of bears in Forest Park. The last canvas is called "Jazz Combination," a still life with an arrangement of musical instruments including a bass drum, a bass horn, a snare drum and others.

The lithograph on exhibit is the one that won a prize in San Antonio in a group of the Southern States Art League exhibit. It is a scene in the West Texas oil fields called "Discovery Field."

Prof. Samuel Ziegler Has Four Canvases, Prize Lithograph on Display.

The pantomime, "Sacraments" by Oxenham, under the direction of Miss Katherine Moore, was presented at the regular Sunday evening services of the University Christian Church last Sunday evening.

The cast was made up of the following T. C. U. students: Misses Zada Fowler, Helen Czeros, Jacque Lansdale, Frances Morgan, Vera Bell Stephenson, LaVelle Stubblefield, Anna Beth Baker, Mary Sue Rumph, Thelma Reed, Mayne Kennedy, Leta Luyster, Rita Mae Hall, Gladys Ziegler and Wherry Worsham and Joe Short and Clyde Yarbrough.

Those who are to take part in the present are to come at 8:30 o'clock and those who are to sing in the chorus are to come at 7 p. m. Mrs. Cahoon has requested that all who possibly can to take part in this program.

Mrs. Helen Fouts Cahoon has requested that all who are interested in taking part in the Christmas pageant which will be held in chapel Dec. 18 attend rehearsal Thursday evening in the auditorium.

Nicknames Come Thick and Fast On Football Field and Campus

Anyone who hasn't a nickname and desires one should enroll at T. C. U.; almost every student here has at least one.

Nicknames are popular in the University—on the football field, in the dormitories, classrooms, and in the cafeteria. Some nicknames are known to only a few, while others are used so much that the true name is almost forgotten. For instance, few people call "Buck" Barr, Milford, or "Football" Moore, Kenneth.

Diminutive Miss Margie Nancé is called "Mr. Tucker" or "Assistant Registrar" by her friends because she works in the registrar's office. Miss Frances Veale is called "Rusty," reason unknown. On the campus, "Gum-Shoe" stands for Oswald Shepherd, "Parson" for Sterling Brown, and "Snappy" for Miss Marian Miller. Everyone knows Miss Pauline Barnes as "Polly."

"Easy" refers to Miss Louise Burgess and "Bird Face" to Hurd Wren. Miss LaVelle Stubblefield is "Stubby." "Piffle" stands for Miss Inez Reynolds and Gerald Long is known as "Little Boy." People know "Pete" Dallas, although his real name is

R. Z. Gene Turner has been nicknamed "Peanuts" because he insists upon telling how his father cornered the peanut market in Cloburne. "Oag" miss in T. C. U. has the nickname, "Snoopy Sue," but no one seems to know who she is!

Everyone knows Charles Hanna as "Finklestein." Sometimes nicknames are part of the true name, as "Lib" for Miss Elizabeth Newson or "Max" for Miss Maxine Russell. For some reason, Miss Lou Alice Jernigan is called "Pie." "Little un" is Miss Madelon Flynn, while "Shorty" is Miss Zada Fowler.

Nicknames are most popular among football men. For instance, T. C. U. has "Flannel Foot," Noble Atkins, "Motsey" Phil Handler, "Uncle Bud," Roy Eury, "Sausage" Austin Griffith, and "Baby Face" Vance Woolwine. Cy Leland is known as "Fast Freight," "Flash," and a half dozen other names; but students generally prefer to call him just Cy.

"Sand Dipper" keeps Robert George from being called Bob, while Robert "Red" Moore is known to a few as "Elmer." Ralph is "Buster" Walker's true name but most of his friends have forgotten the fact.

Junior Skating Party To Be Held Monday

Is All-Collegiate Affair, Says Miller, Class President—Tickets on Sale.

The Junior Class will entertain with a Christmas farewell skating party Monday, Dec. 16, at the Columbia skating rink on Daggett St.

This is to be an all-collegiate affair, according to James Miller, president of the class. "We want everybody to come and have a 'busting' good time," he said.

Tickets are on sale at the book store and by members of the Junior Class. They are 35 cents here and 50 cents at the skating rink.

Senior Class Wins \$25

Has Largest Number of Annual Pictures Made by Dec. 1.

The senior class won the \$25 prize which was offered by the Horned Frog and Bryant Studio. R. Z. Dallas, editor of the annual, presented the check to Stewart Hellman, president of the senior class, in chapel Friday.

This prize was offered for the class, which had the largest per cent of pictures made by Dec. 1.

The senior class percentage was 63. The sophomore class ranked second with 62 per cent. The junior class came next with 47 per cent, and the freshman class had 42 per cent.

Harding to Speak Here

Will Show Travelogues With Talk on Astronomy.

A. M. Harding, professor of mathematics and astronomy and director of the Extension University at the University of Arkansas, will speak at T. C. U. Tuesday, Feb. 18, on "Other Worlds Than Ours," according to Prof. C. R. Sherer, chairman of the lectures committee. Harding is a recent addition to the series.

He has given 513 lectures in 329 cities since 1919, all of which have been concerned with astronomy. Harding supplements his lectures with celestial travelogues.

'Sacraments' Presented

Miss Moore Directs Play With T. C. U. Students in Cast.

Watkins New President

Orchestra Elects Officers—Mordie, Harold Named.

James Watkins was elected president of the T. C. U. orchestra, at a business meeting of the organization Tuesday afternoon. Other officers elected are: Frank Mordie, vice-president; Miss Marjory Scott, secretary-treasurer; Page Harold, business manager and Miss Dorothy Chancy, assistant director. The orchestra is under the direction of Vess Taylor.

According to Taylor, the orchestra this year is playing a higher class of symphonic music. A full program is scheduled for the organization, including radio and out-of-town concerts, besides chapel programs.

Sanger Award Is Given to Frogs

Champions Are Guests at Lions' Annual Luncheon.

The largest crowd that ever attended any of the annual Frog Days of the Fort Worth Lions' Club attended the luncheon at the Texas Hotel Tuesday at noon when the Lions entertained the Southwest Conference football champions. With the luncheon open to the public there were more than 500 present.

The luncheon began promptly at 12 o'clock. The T. C. U. band and orchestra as well as the football squad were present and furnished some of the entertainment. State Senator Julian C. Hyer was chairman of the day. One of the features was the presentation of the Sanger Brothers trophy to the champions and the award of a blanket to Cy Leland for his feat in scoring the greatest number of touchdowns for the champion Frog team. Amos G. Carter was the principal speaker of the day.

There were brief talks by Coach Schmidt and others connected with the team. Each member of the squad was introduced and presented with a gift by the Lions.

Only 16, Miss Smith Is Sophomore Here

Daughter of Education Professor Makes Good Grades—Is French Major.

Miss Marian Frances Smith, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Raymond A. Smith, is only 16 years of age and is a sophomore in Texas Christian University.

During her first two years in high school her average was 98, but for the last two years the average was 99. When she graduated, she ranked fourth highest in the class.

Last year for her freshman year in T. C. U. her grades were all A's except mathematics. So far this year her grades are all A's except Bible and that is B plus. She is majoring in French.

Prof. Bickel Talks to Brite College Chapel

Origin, Development of Disciples of Christ Is Topic of Bible Service.

Prof. A. D. Bickel, registrar of N. T. A. C., Arlington, addressed the students of Brite College at chapel Wednesday morning. He reviewed the origin and development of the Disciples of Christ.

He said, "They have forsaken their first love in that they have not remained true to the spirit of the movement. It was a liberal movement in that Thomas Campbell recognized members of other brotherhoods as Christians. We have grown narrow in our practice. We preach Christian unity but do not practice it."

"I believe that we have come to the time when we should recognize as Christians anyone who is practicing the principles of Christ regardless of his church-affiliation or method of baptism."

Dr. W. C. Morro was in charge of the chapel service and led the responsive reading.

Culver and McDiarmid Address Pre-Law Club

Judge Frank P. Culver of the Seventeenth District Court, and Prof. E. W. McDiarmid spoke to the Pre-Law Club at the meeting Thursday at 7:30 o'clock in Room 207. The subject of Judge Culver's talk was "The Attitude of the Lawyer." He brought out the point that our need is not for more lawyers but for better ones.

Professor McDiarmid spoke on "The Ethics of Law as Compared to the Ethics of Public Opinion," according to Frank Hughes, chairman of the program committee.

The executive committee of the club is working on a plan to increase the quality of lawyers by bringing them into contact with matters pertaining to law, according to Mr. Hughes.

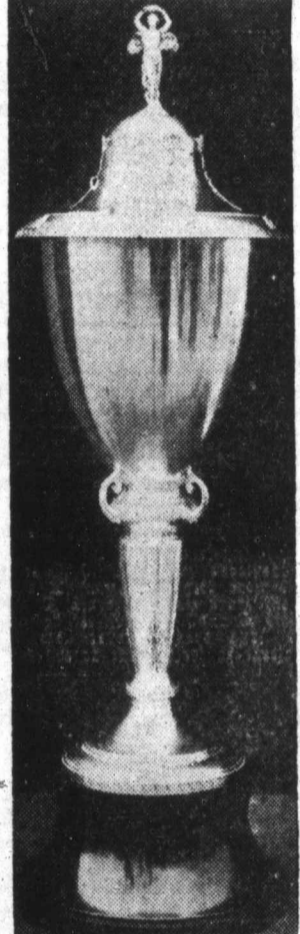
Winton Neighbor of Burbank

When Prof. W. M. Winton of T. C. U. was born at Santa Rosa, Calif., the flowers were sent to his home from a small nursery nearby, belonging to one Luther Burbank. Burbank unknown at that time, was a neighbor of the Wintons. Prof. Winton's father taught at the Pacific College there.

Pickerill to Speak at Dinner

Prof. H. L. Pickerill of the Brite College faculty will be the chief speaker of the fellowship dinner at the First Christian Church Friday evening.

Champions Trophy



This 36-inch cup will be awarded the champion frogs by Sanger Brothers for winning the Southwest Conference football championship this year. It will be placed in the trophy case at the gym.

Cy Leland Awarded Player Loving Cup

Attend "R" Banquet in Houston With Schmidt and Wright—Trophy Now Here.

Cy Leland, Coach Francis Schmidt, and Athletic Director L. C. Wright returned Sunday morning from Houston, where they attended the annual "R" Association banquet at the Rice Hotel, Saturday night, given in honor of Rice Institute letter men in athletics.

Leland was presented the Houston Post-Dispatch trophy, a silver loving cup, twenty-two inches in height and valued at \$300, for being voted the most valuable man in the Southwest Conference during the past season. The award was made at the banquet, attended by approximately 500 people, including the football squads of all Houston high schools, the Port Arthur team, and numerous out-of-town guests. Leland, Schmidt and Wright each made brief talks.

Leland was the guest of Lloyd Gregory, sports editor of the Houston Post-Dispatch, Saturday, and attended the Port Arthur-Brownsville football game on Rice Field Saturday afternoon.

The trophy awarded Leland was exhibited Monday and yesterday in a downtown store, and was brought out to school today to be placed in the T. C. U. trophy case until Leland graduates.

T. C. U. Booth in Dallas

157 Teachers Register at Texas Alumni Assn. Meeting.

One hundred and fifty-seven former T. C. U. students who are now teaching school registered at the T. C. U. booth at the Texas State Teachers Association meeting held in Dallas Nov. 28-30.

Mrs. Charles Sherer, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, E. A. Crouch, F. G. Jones and a faculty group attended the meeting from T. C. U.

Miss Nell Muse, Geraldine Sharp, Virginia Bryson and Marian Smith were in charge of the T. C. U. booth.

Faculty Members on Program

Members of the T. C. U. Public speaking faculty entertained over KFJZ Monday night from 9:30 to 10 o'clock. Misses Katherine Moore and Hazel Carter read a play and Prof. Lew D. Falls gave several readings. The first "Gunga Din" from Kipling, "Leetle Lac Greney" from Drummond and "Oratorical Hash" a humorous piece.

Library Receives 550 Books

The T. C. U. library received 550 books Monday as a gift from Mrs. John G. Slater, Dallas, from the library of her husband, John G. Slater, who died several years ago. The books are on the subject of theology.

W. A. A. Honors Football Squad With Steak Fry

Southwest Champions Guests of Girls at Spelman Camp.

NINETY PEOPLE ATTEND

Coaches and Wives, Mr. and Mrs. Smiser, Among Carter, Flem Hall, Among Guests.

Approximately 90 people attended the steak fry given by the W. A. A. in honor of the football squad at Spelman Camp at Lake Worth last night.

The room was decorated to represent a pirate ship. Jay Williams, Skiff sports editor during the football season, was master of ceremonies. Miss Pauline Barnes, as the pirate chief, made prophecies of the team. This was followed by a pirate dance by Miss Eessie Allbright and Miss Philo Mae Murphey. The table was decorated to represent a large boat with the football boys and the coach aboard. Miss Marion Miller and Miss Elizabeth Huchingson sang several sailor songs, and Mrs. Helen Murphy, sponsor of W. A. A., did a sailor dance. A burlesque on a football game followed.

The purple and white color scheme was carried out. Small dolls holding T. C. U. banners were given as favors.

Miss Artie Ray Brooks, as a gypsy fortune teller, told the fortunes of the football players.

Honor guests, besides the football squad, were Coach and Mrs. Francis Schmidt, Coach and Mrs. Raymond Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Butler Smiser, Amos G. Carter, and Flem Hall.

W. A. A. Basketball Practice Is Begun

Twenty Girls Report at First Meeting—Four Teams to Be Organized.

Basket ball, under the management of Miss Virginia Brock, a senior in school, had its first meeting last Thursday. Twenty-two girls reported and others are expected to report within the next week. There were 9 freshmen, 6 sophomores, 2 juniors, 4 seniors, and 1 graduate student to report.

There will be four teams consisting of freshmen teams, a sophomore team, a team made of juniors and seniors, and a varsity team. All are eligible for varsity team except the freshmen.

Letters were given to all making 30 hours on their team and who have played in at least three class games. These points go toward sweaters and blankets in W. A. A.

Practice will be held every Thursday and Friday at 1:30 o'clock in the gym.

Those girls who reported are: Misses Mae Housel, Elizabeth McKissick, Madeline Westbrook, Harriet Griffin, Loree Gubi, Dorthen Procter, Lucy Mae Merritt, Marion Miller, Marian Smith, Hazel Rightberger, Julie Merle Morgan, Mozelle Clutter, Pearl Decker, Ruth Williamson, Virginia Bryson, Frances Hutchings, Inez Reynolds, Lillian Preston, Ruth Tarpley and Edna Bewell.

'Y' Bazaar Takes in \$175

Part of Money Will Send T.C.U. Delegate to Conference.

The Y. W. C. A. took in \$175 at the Japanese bazaar held Dec. 5-7. Miss Elizabeth Newson and Miss Pansy Tesagarden were in charge of the bazaar.

This money will go into the local Y. W. C. A. treasury and part of it will be used for national dues. Plans are being made to send delegates from T. C. U. to the National Y. W. C. A. Conference in Hollister, Mo., next summer. Part of the money taken in at this bazaar will start the fund to send representatives to this conference.

Alpha Zeta Pi to Present Play Wednesday Night

Alpha Zeta Phi will present a Spanish play, "La Broma," at the meeting Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock in Brite College club room. The characters for the play are: Kenneth Martin, the lover; Miss Maxine Bouldin, the girl; Miss Laura Lee Barclay, the maid; and Tom Cook, the girl's father.

The other number on the program will be a violin solo by Miss Helen Heath accompanied by Miss Ruth Johnson.

Oratorical Tryouts Are Held

Tryouts are being conducted for the girls' oratorical contest by Miss Katherine Moore of the public speaking department.

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### TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY GROWS UP.

Texas Christian University is fast becoming one of the major universities in the Nation. That fact has been forcibly demonstrated in the recent example of her growing athletic prowess. That T. C. U., at one time considered a small Texas college, should win the football championship of the Southwest Conference is not merely an indication that T. C. U.'s athletic standing has been raised. Neither is it an indication that athletics are over-emphasized. It is a barometer that indicates the growth of the University as a whole.

In enrollment, in standards, in faculty, the University has been gradually growing. In 1918 the enrollment at T. C. U. for the entire year was 315. In 1918 there were 19 members on the faculty of the school. Ten students were doing graduate work.

The total enrollment from June, 1928 to June, 1929, was 1,687. The catalog for this year lists 91 faculty members, not counting the student assistants.

In his annual report to the state convention of Christian churches in 1927, President Waits pointed out the growth of the University since 1915. The resources of the University in 1915, were given as \$626,000. The resources in 1927 were quoted as being \$3,710,852.82.

T. C. U.'s standards have been raised. Pre-junior achievement tests are evidence of this. T. C. U. also maintains membership in seven college associations, including the Association of American Universities. T. C. U. is a charter member of the Association of Texas Colleges.

T. C. U. has grown up. In fact she has outgrown her equipment, and is now in need of a church building, a new stadium, a new auditorium and several new dormitories.

### THE ESSENTIALS OF EDUCATION.

A thorough education, according to the Christian Science Monitor, consists of the following points:

1. The ability to write well and to speak well.
2. The ability to think and to study without guidance from others.
3. To know something of the sciences.
4. To know the main events of history.
5. To know enough of music, literature and art to enjoy the best.
6. To develop an interest in important, rather than trivial, things.
7. To be adequately trained for some special work or profession.
8. To be a "person of honor"—trustworthy, helpful and kind.
9. To be loyal to family, home, country, church.
10. To have a genuine and unbroken faith in God.

The first point listed is a prime requisite to any education. The seventh is essential. Many so-called brilliant persons lack the ability to speak and write well. College degrees, to them, mean that they have acquired enough knowledge to be classed as "educated." If a person knows much about one thing, or many things, his expostulations on the subject are cheapened when cluttered up with incorrect English and bad diction.

"To be adequately trained for some special work or profession," should be the goal of every student. All the knowledge in the world loses its value if it is not applied. A person who has concentrated his study in some special line, thereby fitting himself for that work, is eligible for the educated group. There is no such thing as specializing in several fields. Anyone who attempts to do this will find that he is not particularly good at anything. Concentrated effort in one place is necessary for the desired result.

The ability to write a theme, or any other type of paper, without errors in grammar; the ability to carry on a conversation or make a speech fluently and well; and the assurance of being especially prepared for a chosen work—this is education.

### New Books Get Space

Library Conduct Is Better Under New Resolution, Curry.

Shelving space has been provided for the recently catalogued books, according to Arthur Curry, librarian. The books will be kept on these shelves for two months giving the students a chance to look over the new books.

"The conduct in the library has improved very much since the adoption of the resolutions by the student body," says Mr. Curry.

### T. C. U. Art Students

Form Etching Club

A group of Art students have formed an etching club to meet each Monday evening. The idea is to take up different phases of the work and to study the technique.

Prof. Samuel P. Ziegler is supervisor of the work and has put all of his equipment at the disposal of the students. The organization is not complete, and to this date the following have joined the club: Henry McLellan, Bob Gray, Wallace Simpson and Miss Katherine Bales, Mrs. Lucile Richart and Mrs. Helen Bouie.

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## Students Hear English Editor

### America Not Burdened by Tradition, Says Ernest Rhys.

"America is not burdened by tradition as England is—this country has great literary possibilities," said Ernest Rhys, London, editor of Everyman's Library, in an address Saturday morning in the T. C. U. auditorium. "You in the Southwest have a different viewpoint from those in the East. Be individual. Out here you have more freedom; put your own Western life into what you write."

Mr. Rhys came to T. C. U., on the invitation of Dr. H. L. Hughes of the English department, who heard the Englishman lecture at the Woman's Club Friday afternoon. In his address, Mr. Rhys gave his personal reminiscences dealing with British literary notables. He told of his meetings with George Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells, Robert Browning, George Meredith and other great writers.

"A touch of imagination is the creative thing that makes good writing," the London editor said. For the past twenty-five years, Mr. Rhys has edited Everyman's Library, which he founded. He edited another series of books before that. In introducing Mr. Rhys, Dr. Hughes referred to the speaker as a poet, editor and biographer.

### T. C. U. Postoffice Sends Out 5,000 Letters Weekly

T. C. U. students write more letters than they receive according to Miss La Velle Stubblefield and Miss Vernola Henry, in charge of the University post office. An average of 5,000 letters are mailed out weekly, while only 2,000 are received. Part of the outgoing letters are mailed by different departments in the University, however.

"Girls receive more letters than boys," says Miss Henry, "and freshmen more than upperclassmen. Clark Hall boys get more mail than those in Goode. Students do most of their writing at night and on Sunday afternoon. Our Monday morning mail is three times as large as any other day in the week, and our Monday afternoon dispatch is the largest also."

"Fifty-five boys send their laundry home each week, to towns in Oklahoma, Louisiana and Texas," says Miss Henry. According to Miss Stubblefield, mail to the athletic department has doubled in the last month. An average of 135 packages weekly comes into the T. C. U. post office, and about 100 mailed out. About 60 newspapers are received daily. Students do not use the air mail much, and more money orders are received than sent out. Of the 142 boxes rented now at the post office, 56 belong to students, 42 to faculty members and 44 to private citizens.

## SNOOPY SUE

Snoopy in the Parlor.

Last night Snoopy had a date in the Jarvis parlor. It was so crowded that Elizabeth Sinclair and Wendell Schuler had to stand in the corner until the lights blinked.

Aaron Hays did his best to keep the lights out all the time, but Mrs. Boggs was too much competition for him. Snoopy thinks that Frances Anderson dared him to do this; she isn't sure.

Jessie Outlaw and Al Parker were there too. Jessie didn't know another soul was in the room though, and Al had his back turned to the crowd.

Marjorie Scott and Jimmie Miller always beat Snoopy to that nice corner in the back parlor. Tia Templeton and Shorty Driscoll are usually there too—since the elephant ears have been cut down, but Tia's fur coat hung on the back of her chair makes a nice curtain.

Hortense Baker was with a stranger, a big bad blonde who held her hand.

Margaret Pitts and Buck Barr sat in the hall. Snoopy heard him tell Margaret that he could come earlier now that football season was over.

And Snoopy saw Mary White wiggle her eyes at Gene Cagle. Gene better watch those eyes.

Bill Schultz and Grassy Hinton have adopted a corner too, when Mrs. Beckham told Grassy that she would call any girl for him that he wanted, he said, "I just want Bill."

Jo Doris Hooper and Harvey Gates were among the couples, too. Jo Doris just can't remember that she is in

## Juniors to Entertain

### Skating Party to Be Farewell Christmas Feature.

Plans for the junior skating party, which will be held Dec. 16, were made at the junior class meeting Wednesday at 10 o'clock in the amphitheater. This will be the first skating party of the year and will be a sort of farewell party for the Christmas holidays. Tickets will go on sale Monday, according to James Miller, president of the class.

"The junior class will use the same kind of rings that last year's class used. One order has already been sent off, and others who want rings are to see Stewart Hellman," Miller said.

The social and play committees of the class were scheduled to make reports at a meeting held at 10 o'clock this morning.

### Curry Elected Library Association Treasurer

Arthur Curry attended the library session of Texas State Teachers' Association in Dallas Nov. 30.

Mr. Curry was elected treasurer of the Texas Library Association for the next two years. He attended a three-day session of this association in Waco Oct. 31-Nov. 2.

Jarvis Hall, she always wants to dance.

Snoopy heard Hobo Carson say that there were fewer females around to be a girls' dormitory than any place he had ever seen. Snoopy suggests that Hobo make a date, and not try to snatch one.

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# SOCIETY

The athletes are being treated royally this week. Two big features were entertainments given by T. C. U. organizations in honor of the heroes who uphold the Purple and White.

Tuesday evening the Woman's Athletic Association gave a steak fry at Spelman's new camp at Lake Worth for the football men and the members of the "T" Association.

Wednesday evening the senior class will give a sport banquet at the Woman's Club honoring all athletes who are playing or have played their fourth year of any sport. Besides the athletes, Coach and Mrs. Francis A. Schmidt, Pres. E. M. Waits, Prof. and Mrs. John A. Ballard, and Pete Wright will be the guests. Professor Ballard is the class sponsor.

### Dana Press to Hold Christmas Dinner

The Dana Press Club will entertain with a Christmas dinner next Wednesday evening, Dec. 18, at King's Tea Room at 6:30 o'clock, according to Miss Leora Bennett, president.

A Christmas motif will be carried out in the decorations and a Christmas tree with a gift for each one present will be had. A committee headed by Miss Madelon Flynt will have charge of this part of the program. She will be assisted by Miss Lillian Lundberg and Frank Hughes.

"Pop" Boone of the Fort Worth Press will be the speaker of the evening. The general program is under the direction of the following committee: Misses Marjorie Lee Robison, chairman; Gwendolyn Montgomery and Mildred True and Owsley Shepherd.

### Frogettes Entertain Fresh Football Boys

The freshman football squad was entertained with a buffet supper Monday night at 6:30 o'clock in the parlor of Jarvis Hall by the Frogettes, an organization of freshman girls in Jarvis Hall.

The officers of the organization, and the chairman of the committees formed the receiving line, and later stood behind the serving table.

Those receiving were: Misses Doris Sellers, president; Jeanne Horsley, vice president; Dorothy Elliott, secretary; Bennie Sue Ratliff, chairman of the program committee; Mae Housel, chairman of the social committee, and Miss Eula Lee Carter, sponsor of the Frogettes.

The menu consisted of a salad course and an ice course, during which time Misses Rowena Doss and Pauline Rodgers entertained the group with popular music. This was followed by a special program which was composed of a violin solo by Miss Hortense Baker, and a number of popular songs by Miss Edna Sewell. Mrs. Jean Kinch entertained by telling fortunes during the evening, and Miss Eula Lee Carter rang a bell at intervals of 20 minutes as an indication to change partners. Coach and Mrs. Francis Schmidt were among those present.

Miss Martha Ann Hughston and Miss Latchie Burton, McKinney, were the guests of Miss Dorothy Ratliff and Miss Virginia Saunders Thursday in Jarvis Hall.

### Math Office Is Presented With Clothes Problem

Graham Estes and Prof. C. R. Sherer of the mathematics department entered the office recently to find Mr. Ramsey's trousers hanging in the anteroom. Both men started a frantic search for the owner, afraid to step outside the door lest Mr. Ramsey appear minus the major part of his attire.

Their relief knew no bounds when Ramsey came strolling in, fully dressed. He explained that, having one of the famous suits with two pairs of trousers, he had brought one to be pressed and had left it in the mathematics office while attending classes.

### Miss McLean Is Bridge Hostess

Miss Anne McLean entertained with a bridge party at the country home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McLean, Saturday afternoon. The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations and refreshments. A miniature Christmas tree, beautifully decorated, held a gift for each guest. Miss Eral Jahn won the high score and Miss Dorothy McLean low score. The cut prize went to Miss Janet McLean.

The guest list included Misses Margaret Johnson, Gladys Simons, Katherine Knight, Carolyn Lewis, Marjorie Lee Robison, Nadine Campbell, Jean Knight, Dorothy Elliott, Randolph Clark, Dorothy McLean, Jeanne Horsley and Janet McLean. Miss McLean was assisted in entertaining by her mother and sisters, Miss Virginia McLean and Mrs. Kenneth Bullock.

### Miss Anderson Is Bridge Hostess

Miss Martha Anderson, 2306 Oakland Blvd., entertained the Tau Chi Upsilon Bridge Club at her home Friday evening. Miss Margaret Cook won high score, and Miss Gertrude Van Zant won the cut prize.

Those present were: Misses Virginia Jameson, Virginia Baty, Madelon Flynt, Ruth Ward, Melba Bullock and Sarah Isbell, of Burbank, Calif., cousin of the hostess. Miss Cook, 1705 Fifth Avenue, will entertain the club Friday, Dec. 13, with a Christmas party.

Miss Janet Largent spent the weekend at her home in McKinney. Miss Betsy Garrard spent the weekend at her home in Dallas.

Miss Bennie Sue Ratliff and Miss Eulalia Whitefield spent the weekend in Dallas with friends and relatives. Miss Ethel Green spent the weekend in Cleburne.

### Miss Bell Gives Japanese Party

Miss Haynie Bell, 3017 Lipscomb Street, entertained Wednesday evening at her home with a Japanese bridge party.

During the evening the guests, who were dressed in Oriental pajamas, sat on pillows while playing bridge. The home was decorated with Japanese lanterns and ornaments creating an Oriental atmosphere.

In bridge high score was won by Miss Vera Turbeville, Miss Gussie Lee Jones won the cut prize, and the low score went to Miss Virginia Jameson.

The refreshments carried out the Japanese theme and were served to the following: Misses Turbeville, Jones, Jameson, Betty Southwell, Leora Bennett, Amelia Edwards, Dorothy Crady and the hostess.

### Dramatic Club to Hold Open House

The Dramatic Club will hold open house Thursday at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. The club will present three one-act plays and will hold a reception in Room 304 after the plays for the members and their friends.

"We expect a large number of the student body, and aim to make it an annual affair to acquaint others with the work of the Dramatic Club," said Laurence Coulter, president of the club.

### Miss Whitener Las Picaras Hostess

Miss Sheila Grace Whitener, 3140 South Adams Street, entertained Las Picaras Saturday evening. Miss Dolores Orgain won high score, Miss Florence Cunningham the cut, and Miss Bessie Everett won the low score.

Others present were: Misses Ruth Hays, Mary Lowther and Mildred Toliver. Miss Cunningham will next entertain the club at a future date, with a Christmas dance at her home, 3205 Lipscomb Street.

### Mr. and Mrs. Sherer Give Faculty Dinner

Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Sherer entertained faculty members of the mathematics department and friends with a dinner Wednesday evening at their home, 2018 Sixth Avenue.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Graham Estes, Miss Elizabeth Shelburne, Dr. W. C. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. M. D. Clubb, L. W. Ramsey and Miss Patsy McCord.

### Mothers' Club to Meet Friday, Dec. 13

The T. C. U. Mothers' Club will meet Friday afternoon, Dec. 13, at 2:30 o'clock in Jarvis Hall parlor. Coach Schmidt will talk.

### Two Elizabeths Entertain Club

A short program was the feature of the Music Club meeting last Wednesday. Misses Elizabeth Strayhorn and Elizabeth Huchingson presented a vocal duet, "Pale Moon" by Logan. Miss Adeline Neeb played "Venetian Caprice" by Krieger and J. Clark Rhodes talked on "Do Not Try to Bluff America." This talk was based on an article by Jose Iturb.

### Earl Guitar, Jr., Is Born

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Guitar of San Angelo announced the birth of a son last week. He has been named Earl Guitar, Jr. Mrs. Guitar will be remembered here as Miss Anita Grissom who attended T. C. U. in 1926-27.

Mrs. C. H. Thompson, Houston, was the guest of her niece, Miss Sally Thompson, in Jarvis Hall Sunday.

The former Miss Virginia Wright, the campus Tuesday. She is here T. C. U. student, now Mrs. Jack Lansmon of New York, was a visitor on visiting her mother, Mrs. S. E. Wright, 1329 South Adams Street.

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### Basketball Work Well-Under Way

#### Schmidt Says Players Lack Ability in Goal Shooting.

The Horned Frog cage squad, after a week of intensive drill on fundamentals, this week is working on several plays necessary for a good scoring attack. As Coach Schmidt is the only coach in the conference who directs both football and basketball, all of the other schools have several weeks advantage in training, but he is making up for lost time by working his men doubly hard.

The first week of practice was run on a regular schedule. The first thing each man did every afternoon was to shoot 25 free goals, and mark his score on a chart for that purpose. Coach Schmidt is a great believer in free goal shooting, as it is often the deciding factor in a close ball game. The next thing on the program is a long session of goal shooting. Four extra goals have been installed, and the squad is divided into groups of three at each goal, shooting "crips" and long shots.

After the goal practice there is an intensive passing drill, both on the floor and from out of bounds. This is one of the most necessary factors for a good cage team, and Coach Schmidt is stressing it especially. But it can hardly be said that he is working on any one factor more thoroughly than another. He used the same consistently thorough methods that proved so successful in football, never leaving a department of play until he is sure his men have mastered it.

There is a regular period set aside for dribbling, pivoting, and handling the ball, but the last part of the practice session is taken up in actual play. In basketball even more than in football, hard scrimmages are a great help in fashioning a good ball club. Coach Schmidt believes that one of the best ways to learn basket ball is to play it a lot, and that is just what he has his men doing every afternoon. The squad is divided into A and B teams, so that the many may get accustomed to working with each other.

Coach Schmidt is neither optimistic nor pessimistic over the season's prospects. He says, "We are handicapped by a late start and only a fair amount of material. All of the men have a pretty good eye for the basket, but we lack a necessary factor in a championship club—a 'hot-shot' goal shooter. I do not predict any championship for the Horned Frogs, but we will certainly not be among the tail-enders."

## SPORT WAVES

BY CY LELAND.

It has often been said that the best thing that could happen to the Southwest Conference would be for some of the younger schools and traditional "underdogs" to win the football championship. This was accomplished in part when the Horned Frogs won their first pennant this year. Yet, although T. C. U. is the youngest school in the conference, it has never served as a doormat. This factor has been pretty well taken care of by Rice Institute, the past few years, but its monopoly of the cellar is due to end next year or possibly the year after.

I had always heard that Houston and its business men were too busy with their city and ship channel to take much interest in Rice, but while down there last week, I found that this rumor is far from the truth. Heretofore Houston citizens thought that if a member of the faculty had an idea that one of his students was destined to become a star athlete, the professor immediately did all he could to make it impossible for the boy to be eligible. This supposition, too, is erroneous.

There were several speeches made at the annual "F" banquet, and most of them were delivered by members of the faculty or by Houston business men. In almost every talk the keynote was that, although Rice was primarily in existence as an institution of higher learning, there was not one good reason why it should not have a winning football team. Several prominent men, not only in Houston, but from other Texas cities, pledged their support of Rice athletics, and the president of the Institute himself confessed that it was high time the Owls had a winning football team. The Houston Chamber of Commerce has organized an athletic department with the sole purpose of furthering athletics in the Bayou City. One of their representatives attended the banquet.

From all indications Houston fans are in for a treat as far as athletic teams are concerned. This rise may not be next year nor even the next, but it is certain to come in time. When the call for freshman football men was made at the first of this year, over 100 boys turned out, which was three times more material than Rice had ever had before. The reason for this sudden influx of good football players is evident. The Rice catalog this year offered a new course—Physical Education. Here was a course that any football player could pass, because it was something that he already knew a great deal about. The enrollment is limited, to prevent every boy in school from taking it.

### Fallis on Association Program

Prof. Lew D. Fallis, head of the public speaking department, has returned from a meeting of the Texas Speech Arts Association held in Dallas where he took part in the program.

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Rice should not be criticised for its latest move, just because it was the first to think of the idea. I would not be surprised to see every school in the conference add the course to its curriculum. T. C. U. has one small class of this kind, and it will probably be enlarged next year.

You probably wonder why all of this talk about Rice, but it will back me up in a prediction that I am going to make. I believe that the Owls will not finish in the cellar in 1930; that they will be in the first division in 1931 and 1932; and that they will be fighting for the conference championship in 1933 or 1934.

All right, laugh if you will, but here are a few good reasons for my prediction. Rice has a spirit among their athletes that I thought existed nowhere but T. C. U.; they have the

### Sophomores Win Interclass Game

#### Seniors and Freshmen Battle to 6-to-6 Tie.

The sophomores came through as was expected of them last Friday evening by defeating the juniors, on Clark Field by a 14-to-0 score. The other game of the week was between the seniors and freshmen Saturday ended in a 6-to-6 tie.

In the first game the juniors were outplayed throughout the game except in two instances when they threatened the sophomore goal line but failed to cross it.

Led by Gordon McMahon the sophomores were able to score their second touchdown by a series of line plunges, which placed the ball on the twenty-yard line. From that point a pass, Hill to Burns, who was in the open counted the last sophomore score.

The first touchdown scored was a fluke, resulting from a bad passback from the junior center to Mead. Mead failed to catch the ball which rolled over the goal line McMahon fell on it for a touchdown.

McMahon was easily the outstanding player, both offensively and defensively. He gained through the junior line consistently and lost a touchdown from the 15-yard line on an off-side penalty. McMahon also backed up the line well, smearing many junior line plays.

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