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1915-1916 BIG YEAR FOR TENNIS IN T.C.U. BRIGHT PROSPECTS

New Courts to Be Built This Summer.--Coach Cahoon Predicts Great Year

The past season can truly be called the best of T. C. U.'s tennis year. With two fast clay courts on the campus, a desire for tennis has been created among the student body that is evidenced by the unusually large membership of the Tennis Association. Splendid competition was offered to the "cracks" of the school, which helped to develop them into the team that they were.

T. C. U. won nearly every tennis match of the entire year,--due to the airtight work of Tomlinson and Pirkle as one team, and as Parks and Parks as the other. At the State Intercollegiate Tennis Meet at Austin the only universities to enter contestants were Texas, Baylor, and Texas Christian University. Pirkle and Tomlinson defended the "Purple and White" on that occasion by winning the state intercollegiate championship in doubles. Texas University won the championship in singles, but only after a hard fight with our men. Baylor was easily defeated in both doubles and singles by our our team.

In the two big tournaments in Fort Worth the past few months, T. C. U. has had an usually large number

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TOMLINSON SHOWS UP WELL IN TENNIS

Clyde Tomlinson, our T. C. U. tennis star, gave Estell a big scare and a hard fight for the city championship last week. Tommy beat everything in sight before meeting Estell. We are not in the habit of furnishing alibis for our representatives, but the fact remains that Clyde was sick the greater part of last week, and was not able to do himself justice.

T. C. U. is well represented in the present state tournament, now being held at Glenn Garden. F. Cahoon, C. Tomlinson, J. Pettus, P. Pirkle, M. L. Munday, L. O. Dutton, B. Parks, are all taking part in the match for state honors.

T. C. U. PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT BEST IN ALL THE SOUTHWEST

Students Completing Work in This Dep't Have Advantage over High Schools

(By M. L. Munday)

Many people get the wrong impression as to the prime purpose of a preparatory department to a University. Some seem to think that it is merely a scheme to make money for the University, while on the other hand it is a losing proposition. Others are of the opinion that it is primarily for the incorrigible or the ones who for some reason have dropped out of the

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T. C. U. GLEE CLUB ENDS A SUCCESSFUL AND ENJOYABLE YEAR

Under Direction of Mr. Cahoon This Organization Proves to Be Most Popular

GOOD VOICES MAKE UP CLUB Extensive Trips Made Through Texas Prove Big Success

A brief history of the organization is necessary in order to more clearly understand the importance and the hearing of the Glee Club. Of course T. C. U. has had one almost all the year's that she has ben in existence. Altho' the ones years ago are not in the class with the ones turned out the past year or so they are however, or rather were, a start. Of the men most prominent in the Glee Clubs of the olden days are: Alexander, Hall, Hamner and those of more recent date, such as: Calvin Muse, Dan Rogers, and the others members of that famous quartette. This is a brief list of those who comprised the landmarks in Glee Club work in the days gone by.

With the advent of the Cahoons in the University, there has been a stimulus of inestimable value added. This stimulus does not apply alone to Music, but to practically to every activity in the school. When Prof. Cahoon came he started things to moving. I shall never forget the "impressions" left upon things and people--in fact anything with which he

HORACE JONES WITH DALLAS CHURCH WORLD.

Horace Jones, '16 and last year's editor of the "Skiff," is now editor of the "Church World," a prominent church paper of our brotherhood printed in Dallas. Congratulations, Horace, we knew you capable of accomplishing anything you wished. Let us hear from you.

Word comes to us that four or five of our football men will be in the harvest fields before long. This is good news, for by the time they have done this kind of work (and it IS work) for a month or two, they will go right thru Baylor's line.

CAMPAIGN IN INTEREST OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NOW IN FULL SWING

Eight Teams Heard from Give out Encouraging Reports

The campaign to raise \$200,000, alunched by the backers and friends of Christian education, has started off with encouraging success. The report for the first three lays, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, comes to us as \$22,000 already raised by eight of the twelve teams,--four teams as yet not having been heard from.

Mr. H. M. Durrett, business manager of T. C. U. has just arrived from

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STRONG SUMMER COURSE IN DOMESTIC SCIENCE AT T.C.U.

Miss Moore Has Fourteen Summer Students Studying 'Home Science'

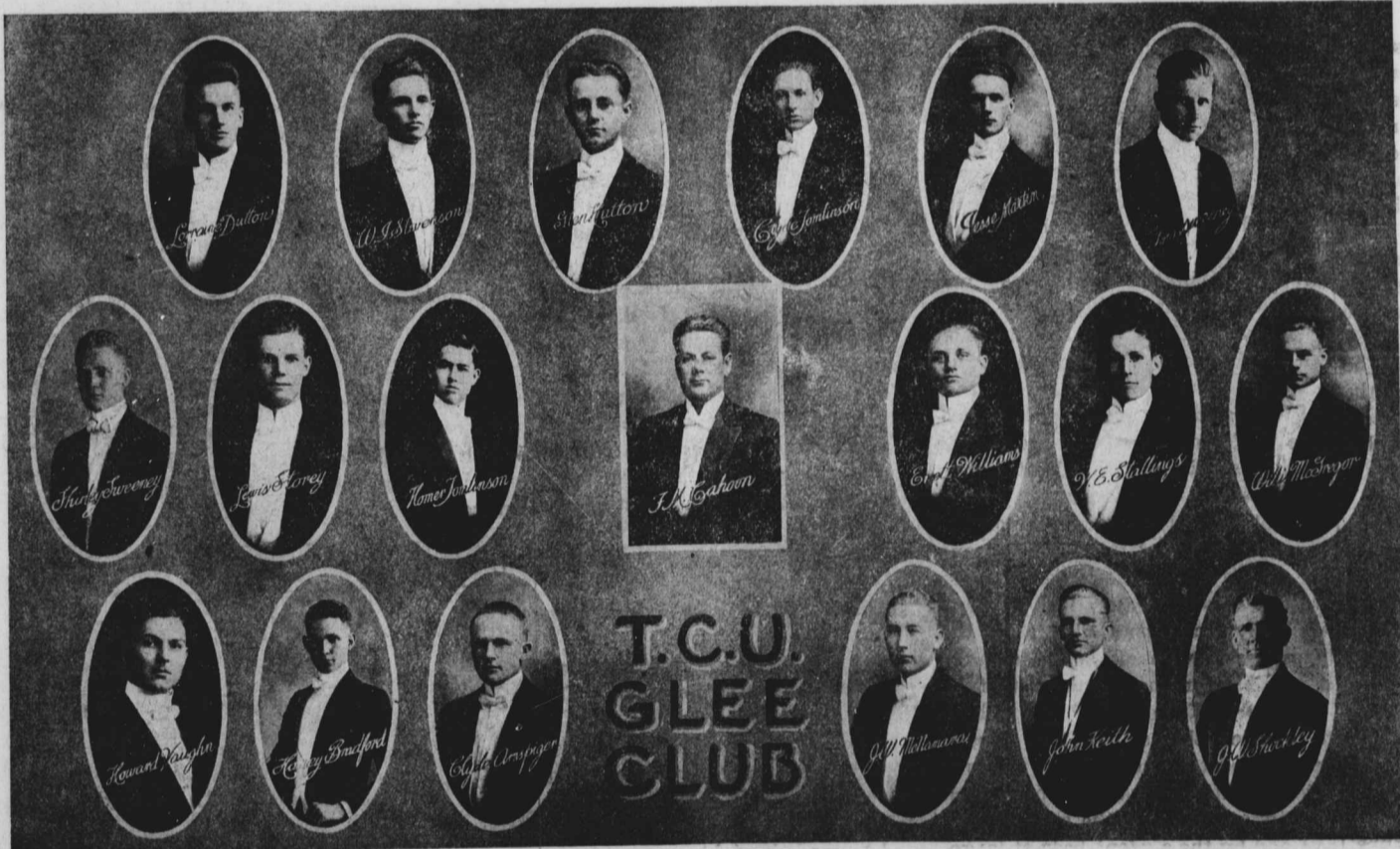
The course offered during the first six weeks of the summer school by Miss Mary Lee Moore, of the T. C. U.

Domestic Science Department, is proving one of the most popular courses offered. There are more students enrolled in the summer session than there were in the regular spring term, and still others are entering daily. Miss Moore has arranged her classes so that a new student may begin at any time, and receive valuable home training, even tho' it is impossible to attend for a period longer than three of four weeks. The regular summer term began last Monday, and by doubling her laboratory periods, Miss Moore is able to offer her students the same course that is completed in three months during the regular sessions. This amounts to four laboratory periods a week,--two periods to each of her two classes.

The summer school students of this department are enthusiastic over both their instructor and their work,--so satisfied, in fact, that nine of them have already signified their intention of taking advanced work in this department next fall.

Miss Moore's course this summer

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came in contact. He had hardly been here two days--all of which was two weeks before school began--before he had all the available material in line practicing for an orchestra. When the regular session began he "sprung" an orchestra upon the unsuspecting chapel audience, an action which became chronic evidently, since it is still "sprung" to this day.

Mr. Cahoon's personality were distilled in the same manner in the other activities as well. He served as Football coach, Campus Man, and in fact he was and is one of the most loyal men in the institution. But a critical presentation of Mr. Cahoon's values and virtues is not my object, so I shall pray for an apology and hurry on. The Glee Club became a prominent organization on that year, and has grown into what it is now. Since every one in the civilized parts of Texas has heard of or has heard of

the Glee Club this past year a complete enumeration of its pleasing characteristics is unnecessary.

The Glee Club is undoubtedly the most popular activity managed by the students. The qualifications are exceedingly of an elementary nature and there is no reason for any candidate to fail in his aspirations. Prof. Cahoon has said again and again that a man must be good to look upon and must be able to carry a tune in a sack. (I ma making a candid omission of my own appearance). Altho there may be one or two of the men who are unable to pass the first qualification, there is certainly on one who could pass the second without difficulty.

The advantages to the members of the club are many and pleasurable. Besides the social side there is the domestic side--you know what I mean; good things to eat. Girls almost run the boys carzy they are so per-

sistent in their demands for recognition and attention. They have not ceased to have their attraction too, however. The boys frequently disgust Mr. Cahoon and cause Mrs. Cahoon great meriment by their machinations and great feats of diplomacy in order to meet the girls which happen to particularly please their fancy. But to return to the "eats." There has never been expressed anything but gratitude for the things and to eat on the trips. Altho' one is heard to depraise the food at school once in a while, there never is anything of that on the road. At every house the lady at whose house the boy's stop are very desirous of having their cooking praised and eaten, a consequence never disappointing in either case.

Besides being an advantage to the students themselves, the Glee Club is exceedingly valuable to the University. That is one of the reasons for

the existence of Cahoon's strict qualifications, since a member will be a credit to the ones from whom he has been sent, and whom he represents. To compare the Glee Club with the other student activities would be unfair. As to advertisement there is no comparison between the Glee Club and Football, Baseball, Basketball or any other of the activities. There is always a better impression left over the different points of the State after the Glee Club has visited them, than after an athletic organization. Not that the two activities are not made up of the same character of men, but that the environment in which the organizations are placed are different, fellowship for the latter. (Do not and widely too. The Glee Club is taken right into the best families of the towns, while the athletic clubs are housed at hotels and other places, and there is no opportunity for christian

think that I am a preacher for I am not. I am merely presenting facts.)

So easy it is to make the Glee Club there can be no reason for anybody to sit off by himself and say that he did not have a chance, for it is an organization wherein everyone has a fair chance. If one has not the required qualifications--which were enumerated above, there is no chance, and still less cause for feeling "sore" at the bunch who hapneped to make it.

There has been expressed a desire by Mr. Cahoon to make next year's Glee Club the greatest in the history of Texas, so with the opening of the year let us all who have intentions of belonging to it--Freshmen as well as pper classmen, come out and settle steadily to work in co-operation with Mr. Cahoon, and put out the greatest Glee Club the State of Texas has ever seen.

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EDUCATE TEXAS.

We have in Texas a half million children of scholastic age who do not attend school. The census enumerators found that 42 per cent of our children of school age were not enrolled in any kind of school. The average annual attendance of those who do enter is fifty-six days, and we rank forty-second with other states in this respect. Seven per cent of our white and 25 per cent of our colored population 10 years of age and over is unable to read and write; and if we do not overcome illiteracy more rapidly in the future than we have in the past decade, it will require three generations for all our people to become able to read and write.—Ex.

HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM.

The Skiff has received off and on during this session quite a number of weekly and monthly papers edited and managed by students in various high schools over the state. Although the typography of most of these sheets is poor, some of them show real talent in the articles and stories.

A newspaper in the high school, no matter how small, serves a distinct and useful purpose in the students' life. It gives them an opportunity to put into practice in visible form the theories which they learn in the English class. Although very few English teachers know anything about newspapers, it seems to The Skiff that these high school weeklies should be put under the charge of the English department. A hope that his composition will be published is an incentive to get the student to write and to really take an interest in his writing and his grammar.

Mrs. Cahoon and Party Are Gone to New York

Mrs. Cahoon, head of the Voice department, left June 12 for New York City, accompanied by several of her advanced pupils and her little daughter, Helen Adele, who will study with her and with the well-known teacher, Walter S. Young. Most of the summer will be spent at Lake George, N. Y., where the surroundings are so conducive to summer work.

Mrs. Cahoon expects to spend the summer working on programs for the following year and will give concerts in Montclair, N. J.; Lake George, N. Y.; Chicago, Milwaukee and Racine, Wis., and will arrive here in time for the fall term early in September.

Mrs. Cahoon has recently presented four pupils in recital who have proved themselves excellently equipped and show the high standard of her work as a teacher and as a concert singer. She has established herself in the hearts of the people of the State. Besides teaching and doing concert work during the past year, she has been soprano soloist at the Magnolia Avenue Church where the Sunday evening concerts have been an immense success. She will resume her place there in the fall.

T. C. U. Prep Department Best in the Southwest

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Its Purposes and Advantages public school. Still others verify their opinions that it is a place to send their boy or girl to get them controlled and to shift the responsibility or rearing them to some one else. We are glad, however, that this class of people are by far a very small minority. To correct this false impression and point out a few of the many advantages of a preparatory department is the purpose of this article.

PURPOSE.

The prime purpose of the preparatory schools is to accommodate the boy or girl who is not so fortunate as to live in a city or community where there is a real live up-to-date affiliated high school. There are hundreds of high schools throughout the State which are not affiliated with the Universities because of the lack of funds to maintain an eight months school, there are numbers of rural schools which only complete the work of eight or nine grades. Without a good preparatory school to accommodate these thousands of students, how can we ever expect them to enter college much less complete a course? One may say send them to a good high school. That of course could be done, but let's see if it is the best thing to do. With the average equipment in the high school in the way of buildings, grounds, laboratories, etc., the schools are taxed to their utmost capacity. The teachers have more students and consequently less time to give to each individual student than is usually the case in the preparatory schools. Thus we see by sending all those students who complete the work in these second and third class high schools in the small towns and rural districts to the city schools, one not only works a hardship on the already overcrowded schools but they are working a hardship on their own boy or girl by crowding them in where it will be almost impossible to do efficient work. It is for the above reasons and for that class of students that we maintain and uphold the preparatory schools and urge those who wish college entrance to attend some good school of that nature rather than enter an already crowded city school.

Advantages.

There are a number of advantages which the preparatory schools have over the very best high schools. No high school can furnish the class of work, in the Literary Societies, Y. M. C. A.'s, laboratories, libraries and athletics that is available in a good academy which is run in connection with a University. In such an academy the student comes in contact with the upper-classman, and the college professors, receiving the benefit of the association with educated men and women,—an association which can not be had in a high school. It is known by all of us who have gone our first year in college that it takes about one year to get used to working away from home, also to get the "freshness" worn off so as to make it possible for one to realize that he knows very little and to inspire him to greater things. If this "fresh" year is spent in the academy the first year's college work will be much more appreciated by the student himself and by the student body at large.

I fully realize that this article would not be complete without telling the reader where such a preparatory school is located. There are just such schools as have been described in this great State of Texas and you will not have to go out of Fort Worth to find one. At Texas Christian University we have a preparatory school which was instituted for the purpose as stated above. It has the numerous advantages as named, which go to make a school of that kind what it should be. The interest of the student is carefully looked after by those in charge in such a way as to make him more efficient, intellectually, morally, and physically.

In conclusion, I would say to the parent who is not so fortunate as to live in a town or community where their children can be graduated from an affiliated high school, and to the boy or girl who is considering going away to school next year, to carefully

consider our preparatory school, consider our preparatory school, connected with Texas Christian University, taking into consideration its location, educational opportunities and all qualities which go to make up a first class preparatory school.

Campaign in Interest of Christian Education On

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the field, and reports that the teams are just "getting warmed up." He was with one of the teams in Waco and in Waxahachie.

The people over the state are beginning to realize the importance and the worthiness of the project; and judging from the beginning of the campaign, its success seems assured. By next week reports are expected to show that at least one-half of the sum is raised.

The team that Brother Durrett was with is composed of Brother Waits, of Fort Worth; Brother Glover, of Van Alstyne; Senator Cowell, of Whitesboro; Mr. Gibson, of Waxahachie.

Strong Summer Course in Domestic Science at T. C. U.

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comprises: general cooking, the theory of cooking (analysis of foods, etc.) principles of economy, and different methods of saving time and space in a modern kitchen. Many of those taking this summer work are married women. A good course in sewing is also being offered this summer by Miss Moore. This course is completed in four lessons, each lesson being four hours every Monday morning. For further information concerning the domestic science summer school, write or phone Miss Mary Lee Moore, T. C. U.

1915-1916 Big Year for Tennis in T. C. U.

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of entries. These tournaments were the city championship tournament and the State championship tournament. In doubles of the city tournament, two T. C. U. teams went to the semi-finals while in singles Tomlinson was runner-up, being defeated by Estell, two times city champion. In the state tournament, Tomlinson and Lawrence two T. C. U. students, made the best showing of any Fort Worth teams entered, going to the semi-finals by defeating Rix of Southwestern and Peak of Dallas in a fast match. Other T. C. U. entrants made good beginning into "big tennis."

Although we have made good the past season in tennis, we expect next year to do even more. With four or five players in sight that are championship class, and with a host of others improving rapidly, things take the shape of a bigger and better year than ever before. F. M. Cahoon is coach, and is noted for his ease in developing players.

Plans are under way to build two more good courts this summer. The Tennis Association of T. C. U. is planning to take the girls in the association next year. The interest of the young ladies is fast being developed, and material for some first-class co-ed teams is in sight.

With the completion of the new courts, and the improving of the present ones, our campus will be one of the fastest tennis spots in Texas. An effort will be made to draw the big tournaments here.

John Keith received a letter from Bartlett today. (This is true, no matter what the date is.)

Say, "Cal," why in the name of sense don't you come on back?

Owen Jones was a visitor of his brother, Roy, last Sunday. Owen is doing well in the aluminum business.

George Hirt, of Cleburne, was a welcome visitor at T. C. U. last Wednesday. George is a graduate of the Art Department under Mrs. Cockrill this last year, and was one of our beautiful and popular young ladies of the university.

T. C. U. MEDICAL DEPT OFFERS ADVANTAGES

May Get \$250,000 Hospital.

By Fred Harrell.

The Medical Department of T. C. U. was organized in 1894, as the Medical Department of Fort Worth University. The 23rd regular session begins Monday, Sept. 13th, 1916.

In 1911 the Fort Worth School of Medicine became affiliated with T. C. U. In 1913 the University acquired possession of all buildings and properties of the Medical School.

Fort Worth, a rapidly growing city of about 100,000 people has an enormous tributary territory from which clinical material is drawn. And this abundance of material assures a strong course in practical work the last 2 of the 4 years * * *

The College Dispensary is ideally equipped for outdoor dispensary service. It possesses a large waiting room, an office for enrolling patients with a complete set of records, a 6 bed emergency hospital, 3 examination and treatment rooms, a drug store where medicine is furnished free to the indigent poor. It is here an earnest endeavor is made to acquaint each student with the knowledge of accurate diagnosis and treatment. During the session just closed over 6000 patients were treated.

A library containing over 2,300 bound volumes with a Medical index and a large number of current magazines furnishes the students a place for that research work which is necessary for class-room.

The Anatomy, Chemistry, and Bacteriology Laboratories are well furnished with modern laboratory apparatus and an individual locker is offered each student.

The Faculty is able to offer hospital training by internships in several reputable and well-equipped infirmaries. And without prolonged hospital training no physician should attempt to practice or to teach. And no specialist can be worthy of the name who has not had the broad foundation insured by such a service.

The general plan of instruction is by laboratory work, recitations, lectures, bedside instruction, and hospital and dispensary clinics. The faculty consists of a number of well-rounded, broad minded general practitioners and specialists whose college training has been verified by experience.

A liberal appropriation of \$7,100.00 from the general University funds is to be given to the Medical department in order that essential improvement may be made in equipment and teaching forces. And a plan is on foot and bids are being made by the authorities of the Medical Dept. together with the business men of Fort Worth to land the \$210,000 Katy Hospital which is to be built in the near future.

Let us hear from you, students.

"Auntie's" Lament

By BRUCE KNIGHT

If it wan't fer the preachers and wan't fer the chnrch
The Devil would shorely git left in the lurch,
Fer it's them institooshuns, as near's I can tell,
That's fittin' our brethern and sistern fer Hell.

When a body goes, now, to the church house and prays,
It han't like it wuz in the old saintly days
When they hadn't no organs, pianers and things
Deflin' thur ears with thur reeds and thur strings

What would the Lord say if he come to this earth
And seen the great change that's ensued since His birth!
To hear "L. peshul singers" that's screechin' fer hire,
And His own hymals sang by a infidel choir!

To see these fine buildin's, stained winders, and sich,
That's solely maintained fer the profligate rich--
Where soldiers and p'licemen is stood at the dore
To welcome the wealthy and club off the pore!

Iniquitous splendor now dazzles yer eyes,
And the Lord's Holy House is plumb hid in disguise,
Till if Christ's self wuz there I will bet you my hat
He would wonder just whur in the world He wuz at.

Law me! things has come to a desperit pass,
And our church is the Devil's own Sunday school class,
Where innocent people, it's easy to tell,
Is learnin' the doctines that lands 'em in Hell.

SUMMER STUDENTS HAVE PICNIC--SWIMMING PARTY

The "old swimmin' hole" just below the six mile dam of the Trinity river was made a lively place last Wednesday evening by the presence of a jolly picnic and swimming party from the summer school students. Promptly at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the party, chaperoned by Mrs. Gardner, left for the river. The long walk was followed by a delightful swim--only three hours long. The water was just right, and swimming, diving and "ducking" was the program for the evening. Even the one young lady who could not swim (we will not mention any names, Lillian) seem to enjoy herself, and promised that by the next time she "went in" she would be able to swim a little, at least.

The features of the evening were: the swimming of Mary Louise Foster and Lois Eldridge; the fighting qualities of "Marnie" Kennedy, Fan Darter, and Raymond Fox; and the water-carrying of Tom Paul Frizzill and Willis McGregor (mystery explained later.)

After the swim, a delightful supper was spread, which consisted of baked beans, potted ham, pickles, olives, crackers, pies, cakes, light bread then some more crackers and beans. As usual Fan Darter and Tom Paul Sweeney took the eating prize. Tom Paul Frizzill and Willis McGregor were unanimously elected to the enviable position as water-carriers, and forced to take off their shoes and "stockings" and wade to the spring.

Mrs. Lena Gardner was the most agreeable chaperon in the world and seem to enjoy the swim and the supper as much as the "children."

As "Old Sol" sank slowly in the west, he took one last look at the following tired but happy students as they strolled homeward: Grace Jones, Mary Louise Foster, Francis Van Zant, Lois Eldridge, Lillian Jackson, Genevieve Goff, Margaret Kennedy, Fan Darter, Ava Lee Mars, Fay King, Willis McGregor, Tom Paul Frizzill, Raymond Fox, Charles Christenberry, Shirley Sweeney, Clyde Arnsperger, Carl Tittle, and Mrs. Lena Gardner.

Position Open.--Must know the Bible by heart. Sunday school class at the Magnolia Avenue Christian church needs a teacher. Applicant, if able to qualify, see Shirley Sweeney, next year's editor of the Horned Frog.) T. C. U.

Mrs. Sweeney has charge of "feeding" those who are working for the university this summer. She certainly believes in keeping them fat. We are forced to take some exercise in order to put away the food she gives us. Tom Paul Sweeney has taken up tennis in order to avoid the "equicurean" state.

Jesse E. White, of Gainesville, graduate of Texas A. & M., visited Miss Alice Long Monday. He is on his way to Brownwood to accept a position with the Texas Light and Power Company.