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The Christian Endeavor society has taken new life since our able president, Mr. Winn, has begun his work. Under his efficient leadership the society is getting out of its long-time ruts of mere existence and going to work at whatever presents itself to be done. First of all, the weekly devotional meetings are taking on a new interest and the attendance has been almost doubled within the last three weeks.

Last Sunday evening the meeting was very live and wide awake and much enjoyed by all present. At the close of the devotional exercises the president called Miss Kirby McChesney to the front. She presented very forcibly the work which the Endeavorers of Texas are doing for the Industrial Department of T. C. U. Already a laundry has been built and equipped and is now almost out of debt.

But the Endeavorers of the Lone Star State do not mean to stop with this. By the end of next summer if the necessary funds can be raised, a dairy is to be established. There has been donated five Jersey cows toward this dairy. With this as a nucleus to work to, funds must be raised to obtain the necessary equipments for a dairy.

As an immediate result of Miss McChesney's talk, the Endeavorers

of T. C. U. determined to raise at least one hundred dollars, and if possible to lead all other societies of the state in their contribution.

Forty-one dollars and fifty cents were raised in a few moments time, and to raise the remainder the following plan was adopted. Two captains were chosen who in turn called to their sides in regular "spelling match" fashion all the Endeavorers. Then the two sides adopted the names "Rustlers" and "Hustlers," the former with Mr. W. O. Dallas as captain and crimson as their color; the latter with Miss M. Benge as captain and the inimitable "Red, White and Blue," their colors.

It is now the order of the day to be either a "Hustler" or a "Rustler" so enlist with one side or the other and help the good work go on.

A HUSTLER.

NEW EPOCH IN TELEGRAPHY.

What is likely to simplify the transmission of long messages for the daily press, that must necessarily be done quickly, is the printing telegraph patented by J. C. Barclay, assistant general manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company. This system is now regularly used by the company on its busiest lines between New York and Buffalo. A writer for The

New York Tribune in speaking of it says:

"It involves the use of standard typewriters instead of the Morse system. A telegrapher sits down at a typewriter in Buffalo and writes at his best speed. Wires connect the Buffalo typewriter with one here. An operator sits before this machine, but he has nothing to do but feed telegraph blanks into it and to move back the carriage when it reaches the end of a line. The invention does the rest, and a clearly typewritten message is reeled off.

"The invention has been used in the regular commercial business of the company all this week. As high as 100 words a minute have been sent successfully and without mistake. In speed it far surpasses the old-fashioned method of sending, for which the record is some fifty words a minute.

This printing telegraph system is past the experimental stage," said Mr. Barclay yesterday. "We are actually using it between New York and Buffalo for commercial work. The messages are turned out from a typewriter at this end just as they are delivered. There is no copying or re-writing. The man who operates the sending typewriter in Buffalo has absolute control of the receiving machine at this end except for feeding paper and removing the carriage.

"The system will not supplant the Morse system and will not result in a material decrease in the number of operators. We will use our regular Morse operators to operate the sending machines. Its use will be limited to the crowded wires between large cities. We would not think of using it in a station like Yonkers or Poughkeepsie, for instance. It will be of great value to the Associated Press in sending its news service to a number of papers in the same large city. Take Philadelphia, for instance. An operator can sit at a machine in the New York office of the Press Association and deliver neatly printed copy in every newspaper office in the Quaker City simultaneously. The apparatus is quite simple and not expensive. On account of the patents, I can not give you a description of the invention itself."

T. C. U. BAND.

On Thursday evening the T. C. U. brass band gave an open air concert on the campus. The boys have made wonderful progress under the direction of Prof. Kirkpatrick and in no far distant time T. C. U. will have a band as good as any in the state and one that every student will be proud of.

Prof. Kirkpatrick is to be commended for the way in which he is bringing our band to the front and he should receive the support of every loyal student in T. C. U.

There are between twenty and thirty pieces in the band, some of the boys have very fine instruments, and Prof. Kirkpatrick says that the T. C. U. band is going to have the finest set of instruments in the state.

By the time the baseball season opens T. C. U. will be Johnny-on-the-spot with her band to help celebrate the victories which our baseball team is sure to gain.

Nine Raahs! for the T. C. U. band.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. met Sunday night at the usual hour. Interesting talks were made by Messrs. Wheeler and C. M. Ashmore. They told about their visit to Ruston and what they got from the Y. M. C. A. Conference.

Judged from the talks they made their Christmas vacation at Ruston was indeed a treat and very profitable. Mr. Dallas was to have made a talk on the same subject, but for lack of time his talk was postponed until next Sunday night, when the organization will meet at the usual hour, 6 p. m. All the young men are cordially invited to be present.

SUNDAY SERVICES

The pastor will conduct services as usual on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning theme, "Modern Applications of the Parable of the Sower." Evening subject "The Gospel of Mystery vs. the Mystery of the Gospel."

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SINCERITY

There is nothing that has more to do with the making of a great character than the strict adherence to sincerity. It is, indeed, the foundation stone upon which character is built. One may possess wealth, learning, social station, and even genius, and if they be insincere they will never amount to much so far as true worth is concerned; for thread bare clothes, bad grammar, and ignorance when coupled with honesty are by far more bearable than the frowning and affected spirit.

Affectation will always be repulsive to rightminded people; while on the other hand candor and frankness will be attractive to them. Did you ever pause and ask yourself why you liked some persons better than others? And if you have, was it not because they were solely their own individual self and not some one else? Then be your own self, do not try to ape some one else just because you think them smart.

The one thing that throws a halo about the character of Washington, Franklin, and Lincoln is their sincerity. Dickens, who probably is more extensively read than any other author living or dead, in speaking of his life said: "Whatever I have tried to do in life, I have tried with all my heart to do well; whatever I have devoted myself to, I have devoted myself to completely; in great aims and in small, I have always been thoroughly in earnest." Then as students, let us be thoroughly in earnest, strictly ourselves, true to ourselves, true to others, and true to our Creator.

THEODORE THOMAS.

Theodore Thomas, one of the greatest leaders in the musical circles, passed away recently in Chicago. He had been for fifty years consecrated to music in America. He has had a hard fight, but as a result of his labors Chicago is now probably the greatest musical center in America.

He was a native of Hanover and came with his parents to this country when he was only ten years old. He was then a skilled violinist and played in the leading cities of this country. Speaking during his early experiences to a friend he said:

"I have gone without food longer than I should, I have walked when I could not afford to ride, I have even played when my hands were cold, but I shall succeed, for I never shall give up my belief that at last the people will come to me, and my concerts will be crowded. I have undying faith in the latent musical appreciation of the American people."

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larger degree than to any other man, so says a great musician, the present musical culture in this country.

Governor Douglas, of Massachusetts, deserves much credit for bringing about the settlement of the strike of the cotton mill operatives of Fall River, Mass. This strike has been in progress for some six months and all previous attempts to settle it have been fruitless. As a result twenty thousand workmen, who have long been idle, will go to work to earn necessary bread and clothes.

The drawing of a pistol on a crowd of college hazers by Kingdom Gould, a Columbia freshman and son of George Gould, has been the occasion of the following comment from the New York Times: "Youth has laws of its own. We elders always seem more than folly where the young see vast quantities of wit and humor; their reason is our unreason in numberless instances and especially in their very matter of coercion exercised by several upper classmen upon a single lower classman we even differ with them widely on notions of honor and decency. And yet the fact that youth everywhere does, and in every age has done, about the same things, apparently foolish, unreasonable, and barbarous, indicates that its conduct has a deep-lying explanation which is also a justification. Within limits, the absurdities it commits have no obviously evil effects on minds or morals."

DRILL.

On account of unfavorable weather the military department has not been able to drill much since the holidays, but on Wednesday the drill took place and was all that could be expected, considering the circumstances. The new men are, especially, to be commended for the interest and aptness they have shown in military tactics. After the company drill was over Major Shirley got the "Scott Rifles" together and for several minutes they were kept busy executing the rapid commands that were given them, and from what the onlookers said the "Scott Rifles" have not forgotten their past training and record. One of the features of the drill Wednesday was the clearness with which the officers watched the men for the purpose of selecting the other non-commissioned officers.

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Prof. Parks preached at Manor Sunday.
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Miss Louise Andrews, after spending three weeks at her home in Sherman, returned to school Saturday.
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For the best of chile go to Bob Laird.
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Start the New Year right by letting the St. Charles barbers do your work.
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Miss Kirby McChesney is now staying at the Girl's Home.
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Laird, the college barber, always gives satisfaction.
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Mr. Tolbert Hamlett, a prominent merchant of Italy and former student here, is now visiting his father at this place.
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Patronize old T. C. U. students by getting your barber work done at the St. Charles Barber Shop.
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Miss Kate Jackson, after spending the holidays at her home in Weimar, has again returned to school.
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St. Charles Barber Shop. Try the St. Charles Barbers once and you will always go there.
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Tom Thumb will get married in the chapel Friday evening, —everyone invited.
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Mr. Thee Shepard, of Plano, went home this week.
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Go get some chile at Laird's.
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It is with pleasure that we report that Mr. Barham Hamlett, who has been sick, is now recovering.
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Mr. Gordon Hall, of Madisonville, Ky., and a student here in 1903 entered school during the first part of the week.
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Mr. A. L. Miller, who has been sick for several days, is now recovering.
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Rev. Polk C. Webb of class '04, matriculated this week to take Post Graduate work.
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About one hundred students went to the auditorium Monday evening to see the "Billionaire."
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Messrs. W. H. Bush, J. L. White, A. N. and C. M. Ashmore, Singleton Murphy, James Nall, and Tom Witten have been in town this week "courting."
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Prof. Joe M. Witten visited his home at this place Saturday and Sunday.
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Mr. W. D. Moren, of Cooper, Texas, was among the visitors here this week.
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The boys have been practicing baseball some this week.
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Dr. J. R. Townes, of Williard, called at the University a few days ago.
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Watch A. F. Hardie's ad. If it turns red you will know you have paid for your Skiff. If it remains black, pay your subscription and then the business manager will turn red.
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Among the recent matriculates are Mr. Gordon Hall, of Madisonville, Ky.; Mrs. Frank Bleach, North Waco, Texas; Rev. Polk C. Webb, of class '05, to do Post Graduate work, and Mr. Sebren, of Waco, in the music department.
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Rev. Boynton preached two strong and eloquent sermons Sunday; his morning subject being "Churchianity vs. Christianity."
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Mr. Roy Rowe was a visitor here Wednesday. He said he would matriculate in the college soon.

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Mr. W. M. Cameron and wife, while passing through North Waco Sunday, happened to a slight accident, the horse they were driving being choked down. Fortunately neither of the two were hurt.
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Rev. L. D. Anderson, of Palestine, is doing class-room work here this week.
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THE FRESHMEN.

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The impress of some fern o'er had grown,
Full of aspiring life and color tone,
Deep in the forest where the shadows flock,
Till, caught within the adamantine rock,
It might lay for ages hidden and unknown!
So many a beautiful thought blooms in the mind,
But, unexpected, droops down in the soul
And lies unuttered in the silence there
Until some opener of the soul shall find
That fernlike, fossilized dream complete and whole,
And marvel at its beauty past compare.
—Alfred S. Donaldson in Outlook.

BASEBALL TALK.

With the coming of the warmer days talk on the campus turns to baseball and we begin to take an inventory of what we have in the way of material. First, we note the places that were vacated by the ones who finished last year and, and it is with a degree of satisfaction that we see they are so few. Capt. Goodson is out at short and Procter out at center field, both good men, who we will miss, but whose places we hope to fill with men just as good. Neele, one of our twirlers, is missing and we too hope to fill this place with a man even as good.

Harris is back with toe on the slab, better than ever, as he had good training during vacation on a fast team. Watch the batters puncture the ozone this season after he gets unwound.

Moulden, who so well drops into the place of captain, will receive under the bat as in former years. Bush at first base will keep up with the procession, and anyone with intentions toward playing first base will have to be away above par to beat him out of his position. Clark and Carpenter are in the ring and promise to make it warm for the ones who make infield positions. Gallaher, with a summer's experience on a fast team, will hold forth in left garden and the new men whose aspirations toward this had better look elsewhere for employment, "it's no use."

Kinnard and Bloor, who played fast ball last season on the second

team, will make a hard try for 'Varsity this season. Graves, who has played fast ball on independent teams, ought to get a hustle on him and wear a monogram this year.

Some of the new men have already made a little showing, but little can be said definitely as to the capability they have as players. A word to the new men: Don't think because you are not known here that you won't make the team. Capt. Moulden is not a man to keep the good men off the team just because they are new. If you show that you are better than any man of the team you can rest assured you will take his place. If you ever played town ball out behind the barn, come out to practice and let us see what you have in you in a baseball way. Games are being arranged with the college teams of the state, and we hope to soon present a full schedule. Arrangements are being made for games with the University of Texas, A. and M. of Texas, Trinity University, Baylor University, Southwestern University, Austin College and others. It is also probable that some opening games will be arranged with the Waco league.

Let everyone do their best to make this the best season we have had by giving their hearty support.

"HORNED FROG."

J. S. Hill & Co. offer \$10.00 in cash to the person securing the largest number of pledges for the "Horned Frog." Sanger Bros. offers \$5.00 in merchandise to the person securing the next largest number of pledges for the "Horned Frog."

The prizes are to be given on the following conditions:

1st. That the person receiving the first prize shall not have less than twenty-five pledges, and the person receiving second prize not less than twenty pledges.

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A VILLAIN.

A number of professional men gathered at the Art Club, Philadelphia, recently, were exchanging reminiscences of Edwin Forrest, the great tragedian. One of them, says Harper's Weekly, told a story of Forest's experience in the West, which was a tribute to the art of the actor.

The play was "Virginius," and Forest was at his best. In the scene where he lays his daughter, the audience was almost stricken with awe, and not a sound was heard until the scene was concluded, after which the artist was greeted with overpowering applause. In the following act Virginius came on the stage looking worn and distracted. The reaction has set in, he is frenzied over the loss of his daughter, and he walks up and down crying out, "Virginia, Virginia, where is my child?"

An old miner, who occupied a front

row in the orchestra and who had been terribly wrought up by the murder scene, could stand this no longer, and, arising in his place, shouted out in loud tones, frightened with intense indignation:

"Why, you old Villian, you killed her in the Markethouse in the last act. You know it well enough. You are a hypocrite as well as a villian!"

The laughter and applause that greeted this unexpected turn in the performance made it necessary to ring down the curtain.—Literary Digest.

"If an educational institution means anything, it means fitting a man for better service than he could do without it; if it does not mean this, it means nothing, and if a man does not get that out of it, he gets nothing out of it."—President Roosevelt.