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Pres. Chas. Louis Loos.

It was a great pleasure and blessing to have Pres. Chas. Louis Loos with us during the Dedication exercises. To many

who know him well he stands not only as one of God's noblemen, but as one of the rare great characters of earth. Two traits that are not at all common, seem to me to be the chief ones in his character, purity and broadness.

There are many lowly ones of earth who have almost childlike faith in God and the Bible; there are scholars galore who have deep scientific faith in things divine; but I have never seen in any other man such simple child like faith in the Father, combined with so much scholarship, and I have heard him say "I would rather have the faith of my childhood than the wisdom of all the ages."

There are few men as free from prejudice as he. One evidence of this is his patriotism. He is a native of the country of

Alsace, one of the small territories so many times tossed back and forth between Germany and France. He is a close student of European life and statecraft. But as he said in his Dedicatory address "I challenge any man to be a more patriotic American than I am," and his constant influence is for the highest patriotism.

He is broad in scholarship. He has few equals as a philologist. His exegesis of the Scripture, to those who have had the privilege of hearing him, appear very deep-sighted and strong. His voice is seldom heard on such questions as Higher Criticism. The reason is not that he is uninformed but that he has considered other lines of greater value. His purse, and pen and personal service have long been consecrated to the work of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society. He was one of its first secretaries, has been for years, its president, and his own daughter, Mrs. E. T. Williams,

laid down her life as a missionary in India. He is one of the old guards in the Reformation.

He was a young man when the pioneers were doing their great work and his influence in the movement of the Disciples has been great ever since.

Just about how he regards Higher Criticism as compared to the Gospel is illustrated by an incident at one of the Congresses of the Disciples. One of the young scholarly men had given a learned paper on "The Evolution of the Christ" and was being assailed hotly by many conservatives for his views. Prof. Loos calmly walked upon the platform, faced the gentleman who had spoken and said, "My young man, do you believe

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The Inaugural and Dedicatory exercises are over. What are the results of this occasion? This gathering together of the friends, patrons, old students, board of trustees, teachers and students, was potent with great good for T. C. U. We met together in cozy corners and talked of "those joyous hours that have past away," when Add-Ran was young and small, still we loved her. Arm in arm we walked together and admired the present surroundings, the main building, the largest school building west of the Mississippi, south of St. Louis, the Girls' Home, and the Townsend Hall. We stood on the fourth floor and looked for twenty miles in all directions. The dark green cedar brakes to the northwest, the meandering Bosque and the broad Brazos were pleasant to look upon. At night we looked toward Waco, and the city with its arc lights looked like a valley in which the angels had spilt a basket of stars. We said this is an ideal location for a University. We assembled in the chapel, and heard master discourses by master men. Brooks, Zollars, Loos, Shirley, Jarvis, Jones, were at their best. Mrs. Hart, Boynton, Elliott, McKissick, did honor to their Alma Mater. Four thousand dollars were raised for T. C. U. Had it not been for the dreadful weather, the number of visitors would have been four times as great, and the amount of money raised would have been much larger. As it was all present were made confident of the ultimate success of T. C. U.

The solons at Austin are now deliberating over some weighty questions. Mr. Boyd of Hill County has introduced a Dispensary bill into the house of Representatives. We hope the legislators will be level headed

enough to throttle this measure at its birth. South Carolina, Norway and other peoples have tried to handle the saloon business by means of the Dispensary Law, and are in worse condition than they were before the law was passed. This bill proposes to let the state instead of the federal government govern the liquor traffic.

The Hepburn bill has passed in the house of representatives at Washington. It is to be hoped that it will pass in the Senate. Senator Bailey of Texas is fighting for the bill. This bill proposes to let the states enforce their own police regulations against the sale of intoxicating liquors without infringing upon the inter-state commerce law. It will enable them to do away with the original package liquor trade and soliciting agent business, etc.

It was a wise provision by the calendar maker when he made February a short month. This is always such a dreary month.

State Oratorical Contest.

Delegates from the seven colleges and universities of Texas met in the parlors of the Rogers Hotel in Waxahachie this week and selected judges for the State Oratorical contest. Senator Joe Bailey, President W. L. Prather and Chief Justice Tom Brown were selected as judges of manuscript. Four alternate judges were selected. Provided either or all of the first four can not serve, judges will be selected from the alternates. Morris Shephard of Texarkana. R. E. Prince of Corsicana and W. M. Poindexter of Cleburne, were selected as judges on delivery. Six alternate judges on delivery were selected. E. K. Lavender represented T. C. U. at this convention. He says that Trinity entertained the delegates royally. The president of Trinity and one of the teachers met with the delegates and delivered addresses.

Who will represent T. C. U. in the oratorical contest? Well, that depends. Trinity is the only institution that has selected her orator. Mr. Sneed, of Collin county, the fellow that represented Trinity last year will flaunt the maroon and white this year.

The following is a partial list of the names of those who made donations to T. C. U. last week. Sorry we were unable to get the complete list.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

The celebration is over.

The only things that we could possibly regret were that it didn't last longer, and that the banquet was postponed.

Townsend Hall is dedicated, not christened.

If this rain keeps on, wonder if we wont be getting web-footed by commencement.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Shirley returned home Tuesday.

Our visitors were unanimous in their expressions of delight at the concert work given by our special teachers during the Inaugural.

Miss Randolph Hamlett was at home to a number of friends Friday evening. The affair was given in honor of Miss Lake Farris of Dallas. Punch, games and music were the order of the evening. Those present had an enjoyable time.

Those at the Girls' Home are delighted to have Mrs. O'Neal and Miss Wiley, both delegates to the Dedication, remain during the week visiting the school.

Miss Roe M. Daggett of San Antonio was here during the celebration, in the interest of Physical Culture work for young women.

Mrs. Bessie Simms Phillips, Miss Ora Connell and Miss Edna Dunlap all students of '98 were back for the Inaugural.

What do you think about \$4000 in 40 minutes?

The second floor of Townsend Hall is completed, and as soon as connection is secured with the heating plant, the departments of music and oratory will move into their new quarters.

The other members of the Board of Trustees went away Saturday afternoon.

This wet weather is very distasteful to the basket ball girls; some three weeks ago they invested in a doubly shrill referee's whistle, and not once have they gotten to use it.

Miss Miller's "Picture Story" is very interesting, and delighted many of our visitors.

The Quintette gave their concert in Hubbard City, Monday night. They report a large enthusiastic audience and a most agreeable trip.

Nothing delighted our visitors more than the tasty work shown in the art department.

The students' conduct during the exercises was nothing if not exemplary,—and did you notice how those transoms shone.

We missed Addison and Randolph Clark from our meetings.

Miss Viola Henry entertained the Quintette and several of her friends Wednesday evening in honor of her guest Miss Lake Farris, of Dallas.

The Walton's open session is booked for next week. The program promises to be interesting in the extreme.

Prof. Cockrell and Miss Pocahontas Cockrell spent the early part of the week in Monterey, Mexico.

Dr. Page, son-in-law of Dr. Zollars, will be one of the new faculty next year.

Mrs. Ingalls spent Tuesday evening in the city, with her friend Mrs. Bevan.

Mrs. J. H. Coffman returned to her home in Melissa, Saturday.

T. C. U. has two "Beauty Spots" now, the one mentioned in last week's Skiff, and McKinney Hall in the Dormitory.

Dr. R. B. Turner, for twenty years teacher of Anatomy and Physiology in Christian University, Canton, Mo., will deliver a lecture in Shirley Hall next Monday morning, Feb. 28. His subject will be The Effect of Alcohol upon Civilization. Dr. Turner is quite a fine speaker. Let's give him a good hearing and be richly rewarded.

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L. P. Bailey was here last week.

Sam Rutledge, Toll Hamlett, Lewis Shirley, Will Cox, Chas. Wamkin, Ed. Hamner and J. H. McHaney were among the many old students who were on the campus last week.

Vel my son Shon, vat you dinks about dem faculty changes?

Miss Madeline Marks has returned from a short visit home.

Have you noticed that memorial stone on Townsend Hall? The Gooch & Co. marble yard presented this slab to T. C. U., and Messrs. Stonehawker and Allen put it in place free of charge.

The following is a list of some of the magazines and newspapers that come to the library: McClure's, Harper's Monthly, Popular Science Monthly, Independent, World of To-day, Public Opinion, American Journal of Sociology, The Dial, Literary Digest, The Chautauquan, Success, World's Work, Saturday Evening Post, Literary Digest, Ladies' Home Journal, The Commoner, New Voice, Waco Times Herald, Waco Evening Telephone, Christian Union, Christian Companion, Gospel Advocate, The Southern Evangelist, Waco Post, (German) La Via De Paz, (Spanish) Christian Standard, Christian Courier, Temple Times, Weekly Journal, The Review, World's Fair Magazine, Book-keeper, Typewriting Photographic World.

DR. SUSIE RIJNHART

Will be in Waco, March, 25-26. Before she comes read her book, "With the Thibetans in Tent and Temple," or at least a part of it. It is in the T. C. U. library.

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THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

The Add-Ran Society program was the best that has been rendered this year.

The Walton Society met Monday at the usual hour. There being important business demanding attention, the program was postponed and a business session was held.

Two Waltonians of earlier days were present, Messrs. Chas. Warnkin of LaGrange and Wm. Cox of Bartlett. These members have always been noted for their loyalty and generosity, neither of which has abated in the least since they left the Walton hall, as was shown last Monday by a liberal gift to the Society.

The open session comes the latter part of next week, the program of which will be found elsewhere. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Pres. Chas. Louis Loos.

(Continued from first page.) that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God?" And upon an affirmative reply he took his seat satisfied.

It is easily observed that Pres. Loos is, to say the least, not a slave to conventionalities, either in thought or expression. His Dedicatory address was vigorous and weighty with the experience and judgment back of it. One thing especially we would commend as being forceful because of the character of the man who spoke it. In substance: A University should give an education that lifts a man upon an eminence, enables him to look upon all experience of the past, the conditions of the present, the accumulation of learning; and this broad vision emancipates him from prejudice.

While the great men are with us appreciate them. In this day when men are running wild after things that are new, and vieing with each other in being radical, it is good to be able to steer by a spirit so gentle and safe and yet so wise. H.

GIRLS' HOME NOTES.

During the Dedication the girls showed true hospitality in giving up their rooms when necessary entertaining the visitors.

Several days after the visitors left, the Home seemed quite lonely, but the regular work was resumed again and everything seemed as usual, as though there had been no interruption.

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