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COMMERCE, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1917

## New Athletic Field for E. T.

Several changes have taken place at E. T. N. C. of recent date, and in particular might be mentioned, the grading of the Athletic Field.

Heretofore, the athletic contests had to be held at any place that we could get quarters, but that will no longer be the case when the athletic field, which is now under way of grading, is completed.

The field referred to above is just south of the Science Hall, and is in addition to the old athletic field which consists of about forty acres. The new field will consist of about three acres, and will be used principally for football, baseball and basketball.

It will be modern in every respect, and be as level as a floor when the grading is finished. A club house will be erected near the field, and will be furnished with hot and cold baths, and in addition to the baths will be gymnasiums of almost every sort.

With all these inducements, we feel that our present director in athletics, Johnnie Garitty, will be with us this year.

## Lyceum Course

The Lyceum course for this year has been especially pleasing. The famous lecturer Ralph Parlette gave inspiration to all hearing him in the lecture, "Big Business." At the beginning he gave any person in the assembly privilege to summarize the lecture.

From a good list of papers, that of Mr. A. C. Turner was selected and forwarded to Mr. Parlette. Mr. Turner received as a compliment, in printed form "The University of Hard Knocks."

Very entertaining and instructive musical programs, both vocal and instrumental, have been given by the Morrow Bros., Zedellers Quintet, and Mendelssohn Sextette. The Caveney company, with Caveney the Cartoonist and Clay Modeler entertained Nov. 21. Dr. Winship gave two strong lectures during the fall session. Miss Davault, a reader of great reputation entertained on the evening of Dec. 19.

On Jan. 12 the Hawaiian Singing

Quintet will be heard at the College Hall.

All of these programs are very instructive. All students should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing them.

An interesting feature is that the city people are especially pleased with the numbers.

## Owens-Apperson

On the evening of Dec. 28, at the home of the bride's parents in North Commerce, Miss Hazelle Apperson and Mr. Roy Owen were united in marriage, Rev. Hill, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating.

The home was beautifully decorated with potted ferns and cut flowers, all the rooms being practically turned over to the wedding party and guests. Just preceding the ceremony Mrs. Dr. Pippin sang "O Perfect Love," a beautiful nuptial song by Burleigh; Mme. Booth-Mayo accompanied and Miss Aileen with violin obligato.

As the bugle calls, the introduction to Lohengrin's wedding march rang out, the doors were thrown open, and Miss Virgie Brecheen on the arm of Mr. Salmon entered, followed by Miss Nell Apperson, sister of the bride, and Mr. Henderson, after the two couples came "Hazelle and Roy," as they are known to hordes of friends who have known them from childhood. She was beautiful in her pure white costume of crepe and lace with long bridal veil and orange blossoms. The "shower" bridal boquet, a gift of the groom, was a "breath from the south" in profusion and perfume. After the sacred ring ceremony, performed by Rev. Hill, in his impressive manner, the couple received the congratulations and best wishes of their many friends present.

Their gifts, many and various, were displayed. They are too numerous to mention in this article, cut glass, hand painted china, silverwear, paintings, furniture and dainty hand embroidered articles for home use. A cassirole set was given by the College Football team. The "Physical Culture" Club gave her a "kitchen shower" several days before the wedding. This excel-

lent young couple have the best wishes of their many friends. They are now at home on Monroe street to their many friends.

## Prominent Football Men at E. T.

NO. 1. CHAS. E. JOHNSTON.

This is the first of a series of biographical sketches of our football squad of 1916, and we believe it is fitting that Johnston, our captain and all-star man for the past season, should head the list.

He came here in 1913 from Tulia, Texas, and he has all the vigor and vitality of his section. When he first came he enrolled with that class seeking a second grade certificate and is now determined to take his Ph. B. this year. He has done everything from cooking, washing dishes and firing the furnace to being the college sport and the most popular ladies' man in school, and doing his work up as shipshape as his athletics would permit. His jovial good nature and his appreciation of a good joke make him a favorite of both faculty and pupils.

But to get nearest his heart just talk about athletics and there's where he shines. He has no greater pleasure than to be roaming down the field or bucking the line with a pigskin under his arm, or playing on the basketball court or being in the old place behind the bat.

When he first came to E. T. society athletics was all the go, he early starred on the Philo baseball team along with such men as Everett Smith, Neal Hall and Richard Simms, which made a winning team for a large part on account of Johnston's playing. To add to his popularity he also won a high place in the track and field meet, being good in practically every line.

But it was not until 1914 that any football whatever was allowed on the campus. That year Johnston played tackle, backed up by Mayo, McKenzie, Folks and "Runt" Anderson. That team played Wesley College and was defeated 35-0. At that time all that Charlie knew was to push and buck his man. And since his man was then his equal, he (Continued on page 3)

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Dear Fellow-Collegian:—

I wish to thank the present student body and those away from here for your loyal support in rallying to the staff of the East Texan, we not only appreciate it but it shows your patriotism to the institution and that the E. T. students can and will make things go.

It looks as though we are going to make the East Texan permanent on the present plans, and why not? for we all wish to know who and what is at E. T. N. C. when we have gone out from her walls and even when here, we all enjoy reading a collection of the week's news and it is a medium by which we can know what others are doing who have gone ahead.

To those who may receive a sample copy and wish to subscribe fill in blank, enclose 50c, stamps accepted, and all back copies will be sent with the next copy.

Appoint yourself a booster!

E. L. TAYLOR.

Through the untiring energy of Mr. Taylor aiding the assistant editor the first two issues of the East Texan for the new year have been put to press. We are glad to say Mr. Cameron has returned after several days absence caused by fatal illness of relatives and will assume management next week.

## Systematic Reading Gives Power.

Reading gives to the soul that poise, culture, and appreciation that is justly due to man in this progressive age. To the one who can read and interpret the pages of history, literature, or science in an accurate manner, to that one greater efficiency and proficiency will mark his advancement. He will be ever ready to bring into his field of usefulness and study the books most appropriate for his work. He will find no time for idleness; but he will always be busily engaged in such work as will reflect honor and credit upon life. His mind will always be ready to grasp the open statements made by the public speaker, or by the most intelligent lecturer.

The power gained by reading the most useful books will reflect upon the mind and build greater foundations for the future. As power comes to the faithful student as he comprehends the many pages of life's literature, he is made to feel that his efforts are for the elevation of the race and that in some future year he may be the means of conveying greater life, joy, and enthusiasm to those with whom he may come in contact. The power to read the history of life, the power to read the science of life, and the power to read the beautiful literature of life, may all be won by the patient, hard-working student. Just a determination and a systematic way of doing things must be followed.

System in reading, system in study, system in all phases of life will bring that culture which marks the efficient student. Read a book every year, and note the result afforded in power, and efficient usefulness. Read a book every month and note the result

upon the mind. If the determined student will try some definite plan in reading, if he will follow some system, if he will yield part of his wasted time to the careful perusal of some good book, his life will become enriched with thoughts that will always be a source of pleasure, culture, and refinement. By such reading more effective plans may be developed; and by the development of more mature plans greater and more efficient scholarship may be obtained.

Then, if one is to possess that power, independence, culture, and efficiency, he must read carefully, thoughtfully, and frequently the great volumes of life's best writing. An hour's daily reading of the kind mentioned will give results which will reveal skill, general power, and great helpfulness.

## A Teacher's Creed.

I believe in boys and girls, the men and women of a great tomorrow; and whatsoever the boy soweth the man shall reap. I believe in the curse of ignorance, in the efficacy of schools, in the dignity of teaching, and the joy of serving another. I believe in wisdom as revealed in human lives as well as in the pages of a printed book; in lessons taught not so much by precept as by example; in ability to work with the hands as well as to think with the head, in everything that makes life large and lovely. I believe in beauty in the school-room, in the home, in daily life and out-of-doors. I believe in laughter, in love, in all ideals and distant hopes that lure us on. I believe that every hour of every day we receive a just reward for all we are and all we do. I believe in the present and its opportunities, in the future and its promises, and in the divine joy of living: Amen.—Edwin Osgood Grover.

E. L. Taylor, Commerce, Tex.

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## Prominent Football Men at E. T.

NO. 1. CHAS. E. JOHNSTON.

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gained some valuable experience. And the sting of such a defeat engendered in him a spirit of rivalry.

Intercollegiate baseball was introduced that year and it was through Charlie's superior batting and field work that our team was aided to hold Wesley's powerful nine to a 11-inning tie game. He also won honors in the track and field meet in the Spring.

But 1915 was when Charlie began to win his laurels. He made full-back on this football team, which furnished the groundwork for future successes and gave such a basis for future work that its value was inestimable and Johnston was one of the men that did the work. That team played Burleson, Wesley and S. M. U., and Charlie figured in each of these. In the S. M. U. game, for instance, he mistook the signal and ran the wrong way, but with the linemen and a back frantically swinging to his heels he stumbled along until stopped by their safety who had been shaken off twice. He had made 40 yards through tackle.

In basketball Charlie put up a game fight, defeating and taking a defeat from Austin College, although that team and that season helped to secure for us whom we consider the best coach in Texas, Johnnie Garitty, we can expect better results from our team this year. In baseball last spring and summer he helped us to win many games. He won the loving cup for being the best all-around athlete in school. He won first honors in track work, held a high place in the tennis tournament in addition to his merits mentioned above. We still con-

tinue to expect great things from him. (To be continued.)

### Judge Gibson Dead.

Judge Gibson, a citizen of our town, and also a friend to the college, was claimed early Sunday morning by the death angel. Judge Gibson perhaps had more friends among the boys and girls of the East Texas Normal College than any other man, except those who were directly acquainted with them. To know him was to love him. He always had a smile and an encouraging word for every boy and girl that he met. He was a member of the Methodist church, and had been since he was about 15 years old. He was also a member of the Masonic Order and, too he had been an honorary member for life of the Lightfoot Literary Society for several years.

The funeral procession was led from the home to the church by the Masons, and next after the corpse was the Lightfoot Society.

Services were conducted at the Methodist church by the pastor, Capt. W. E. Mangum, an old friend of Judge Gibson and of the family, spoke several minutes on the life of Judge Gibson. He was followed by G. F. Hudspeth, a representative of the Lightfoot Society, who made a few complimentary remarks on the life of Judge Gibson and his visits to the Society. He quoted one of Judge Gibson's sentences that he gave when he visited the Society his last time, which was as follows: "Boys, whatever you be, be a man."

All the Societies are supporting the East Texan, and an announcement will be made in next issue as to the society that furnishes the most subscriptions.

Mr. Harvell wrote his girl last

week, and at the close he added a postscript which read like this: P. S.—If you don't get this write and let me know, and will write again.

One of our boys, W. C. Magee, left Monday for Dallas, at which place he again joins the navy for a period of four years.

### Excelsior Program Jan. 13.

1. Intentional Reorganization, Herbert Hargraves.

2 Military Training for boys, Ralph Patrick.

3. What should be done for the office of County School Superintendent by the Thirty-Fifth Legislature, E. L. Taylor.

4 Election of officers.  
Program Committee, Wood, Terry, Taylor.

Excelsiors welcomes visitors.

Any young man on entering the College should join some society.

Prof. Martin, formerly a teacher at E. T. N. C., whom we all know quite well, is now in our city. Prof. Martin is reading mathematics in the University of Illinois, at Champaign. We are very glad to have Prof. Martin with us, but regret very much that he is soon to leave us. He says that he is here on business. Since he is a bachelor of several summers, we are fully convinced that his trip to Commerce is on business.

One of the young ladies was very much worried last week about her complexion. She went to the doctor and he advised that she should diet. Then she said: "Why, doctor, I never thought of that. What color do you think would suit me best?"

What has become of those curls that the young lady thought she had lost?

## Alumna Doings

If you want to know the whereabouts and work of any Alumnus write to The East Texan, Alumna Department, and the information will be given promptly through this department of the paper. No personal replies promised.

If you know any news of interest for this department, send it in and help us along. Lets keep in touch all 'round.

Mr. C. M. Moore, A. B. '14, recently accepted a place in a bank at Wolfe City, his home town. Mr. Moore was librarian here during the session 1913-14; and after taking his A. B. degree here went along with W. C. Furr and J. Neal Hall, to the University of North Carolina where they received each his master's degree the following year. These young men were all classmates here in the Classic class of 1913-14. A record class.

Mr. T. E. McMillan, A. B. '11, who was elected County Judge of Delta County in the last election has recently been admitted to the bar. After completing his degree here Mr. McMillan attended the University of Texas Law School at Austin, and also took his M. A. degree at the University of North Carolina. He is well equipped for his professional career.

Mr. J. R. Masterson, A. B. '15, is engaged in school work in Arizona. Mr. Masterson was formerly superintendent of the public school at Burnet, Texas. He completed his work leading to the M. A. degree in June, 1916, and went immediately to his new field of activity. All who know him will remember him always as a human dynamo running at full speed. (Some say Prof. Mayo taught him the habit down a certain street one night. He thought someone was following.)

Rev. J. E. Short, A. B. '13, paid us a short call recently. He is in the ministry of the M. E. Church South and is located at Decatur, Texas. He reported his family in the best of health.

Mr. A. H. Cowling, A. B. '08, is striking out in a new line of activity. At last reports he was making rapid

strides and bids fair to achieve distinction in his new field. In fact, the only way one can distinguish between him and Mr. Stone at this time is by the glasses. Exact weight 187.

Ed. Hancock spent a few days here during the holidays. Mr. Hancock is now in the medical college of Tulane University.

Mr. W. W. Harris, A. B. '14, spent a few days near Commerce during the holidays. Mr. Harris is practicing law at Corsicana. With his splendid native ability he should make an able attorney. Here's wishing him success both here (Commerce) and there.

Mr. C. W. LaGrone is the newly elected County Superintendent of Harrison County. Mr. LaGrone was formerly Superintendent of the school at Winters, Texas. He returned to Harrison County about two years ago.

Mr. A. B. Crane, A. B., is County Judge of Motley County. He was formerly principal of the school at Matador. Mr. Boone Whitten preceded him in both offices and is now practicing law at Matador.

Mr. W. O. Willingham, B. S. '09, is principal of the school at Staunton, Texas.

Mr. J. W. Sparks, A. B. '15, is principal of the high school at Paducah.

Mr. N. A. Cleveland, B. S. '10, is principal of the school at Oakville.

Mr. E. M. Pharr, '13, is doing some splendid work as superintendent of the public schools of Leonard, Texas.

Mr. J. N. Daily, A. B. '10, is principal of the school at Kosse, Texas. Mr. Daily was a classmate of A. J. Mauldin, W. E. Dale, T. M. Broadfoot, and N. C. Chaney. Mr. Mauldin is now an attorney at Purcell, Okla. Rev. Dale is a rapidly growing minister in the M. E. Church, Mr. Broadfoot is (or was when the editor last learned) in the drug business. We are not now able to locate Mr. Choney.

Mr. E. V. Hufstедler, A. B. '14, is principal of the high school at Gorman.

Messrs. O. B. Rollins and C. T. Watson are in the public schools at Anson, Texas, Mr. Rollins as superintendent and Mr. Watson principal of the High School.

## E. T. N. C. Club Organized

During the Hunt County Teachers Institute, some of the former E. T. N. C. students who are now teaching in Hunt County called a meeting and organized an E. T. N. C. club. Prof. J. C. McCasland was elected president, Miss Kate Morrison secretary, Miss Undin Deen assistant secretary, Jesse Harwell treasurer, C. T. Hutcheson reporter.

Several interesting talks were made as to what program would be best to follow. Finally it was decided to invite Prof. W. L. Mayo to attend the meeting of the club the next day, Dec. 17. It was also decided upon to present Prof. Mayo a Christmas gift. After which, the meeting adjourned to meet the next day, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 4:15 p. m.

At the second meeting of the club, Pres. McCasland made a very entertaining talk. The Christmas gift and best wishes of the club were then presented to Prof. Mayo. Then followed an appropriate talk by Prof. Mayo, which was enjoyed by all present.

Prof. Mayo extended an invitation to the club to come to Commerce and render a program at the college. The invitation was accepted but no definite date was agreed upon.

From the number present and the interest shown in their first meeting of the new year, the Frances Willard Society feel that they have a bright successful year before them. The program was enjoyed by all present, especially the "Story of My Life at E. T. N. C." as told by Mrs. Lyday. An interesting business session was held in which five new members were taken into the Society.

L. D. Parsons has been called away from school on account of business. That will cripple our basket ball team for Parsons promised to be one of the best on the team. Despite his absence we hope to make a winning team out of such men as Lacy, Masters, Decker, Johnston, Holloway, Gurley and Mayo. Mr. Parsons was a football man for the past season and we could expect great things from him in his position of center on the football team. We extend our best wishes to him and hope that he will have success in his school.