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J. J. Wilson

COMMERCE, TEXAS, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1917

## Commercial Department Reopened

Classes in Commercial work were organized Tuesday morning. A good interest is being shown in this line, and with the efficient instructors that have charge of the work, good results must follow. The equipment in the several branches is more complete than has ever been before. A new supply of typewriters has been added, along with other things. Mr. J. C. Wood has charge of typewriting and shorthand. Mr. Wood is just recently from Bowee Commercial College where he has been teaching this same line of work. Besides being a former student here, which gives him a better understanding of the needs of students who come here, Mr. Wood comes highly recommended from one of the best Commercial schools in the state.

G. W. McLemore will teach bookkeeping. Mr. McLemore is well known to the student body. He is well equipped, having made his preparation for this work in Tyler Commercial College.

Prof. H. H. J. Fling will teach Commercial English. Prof. B. H. Miller will have charge of Business Arithmetic and M. S. Mayo will give work in office management. Those last named are well known to many who are not in school at this time and to all who are here now, as they have been connected with the school for some time. The high grade of work done by them in the past assures strong courses in their line in the future. The

courses are especially arranged for a good commercial education, and all who are looking forward to such, have an opportunity here at a very reasonable cost.

### E. T. Meets Austin College.

In a clean, well-played game, Austin College beat our boys in the basketball game Jan. 27. The first two or three minutes of the game Austin took a lead but the E. T. boys came back with such vim and rush that by the time the first half was half gone the score stood 6-5 in E. T.'s favor. Just at that time everything looked bright for us. Austin's rooters cheered their men with encouraging words, and commendations and their big center (I have lost his name) turned forward for the whole group for a few minutes and when the half ended, the score was 7-14 in Austin's favor. The last half, if any difference was better played than the first, both sides playing a consistant game, but the E. T. boys were not able to overcome the lead of the first half, although at times making decided gains. The final result was 15-23 in Austin's favor.

Our boys were handicapped in that they had not practiced on an indoor court and the bad weather had prevented them working out on their outdoor court, also some of the men have been sick. However the game was not a one-sided affair at any time.

The men who played in this game were Johnston, Decker, Masters, Lacy, Mayo, Ray and Cameron.

Austin College is remembered

kindly and we hope to return just what they gave us when they come down here—good entertainment and a clean defeat.

## E. T. N. C. Plays Burleson

E. T. N. C. boys kept Burleson boys guessing during the entire game last Friday which was played on the home court.

Both teams were very equally matched and gave up all they had towards winning the victory for their school.

Decker surprised the Burleson forward by his swiftness and accuracy with which he threw six goals. Cameron and Johnston also handed the opposing boys a very handsome little surprise when the visitors tried to get by them with their speed and strength. They soon found that "nothin" was "doin." Lacy and Mayo sent back just as much as they received.

At the end of the first half the score was 4-6 in favor of Burleson; tied up for the last half and then played five minutes to determine who should have the honor. The resulting score was 15-16 in favor of Burleson.

One predicts a bright future for the school boy who wrote the terse narrative about Elijah:

"There was a man named Elijah. He lived in a cave and kept some bears. Some boys tormented him. He said: 'If you don't quit throwing stones at me, I'll turn the bears on you and they will eat you up.' And they did and he did and the bears did."

# The East Texan

Published weekly by Students of East Texas Normal College, Commerce, Texas.

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## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Six months, beginning Jan. 1.....50c

Address all business to The East Texan, or to Circulation Managers.

Application has been made for entrance as second-class mail.

THE conditions of the Society Subscription Contest will be changed just as soon as those who have been here this year but have gone away, can be heard from. Instead of counting all who have enrolled since September the count will be based on those who are in school at the time. Until the present plan is changed all subscribers who have gone out of school will be counted in the list of their respective societies. So a subscription before this change is made will count toward raising the percent more than if the change should not be made. Now is the time for you who have left school to aid your society as well as the East Texan and yourself.

THE immediate workers on our paper are giving all the time possible along with their best efforts to get it firmly established as was announced at the first of the year. It might be well just at this time to give briefly our conception of what we must accomplish to get a weekly on a permanent bases here: We must publish a paper small enough that the expense will not far outstrip the income, and at the same time make it entertaining and worthy of the support of students and ex-students, we must do this without taking advertisements, for until this is done, the circulation will

not be great enough to make advertising space a premium. An editor and business manager must be elected in the summer, that they may have the business in good condition for the opening of the new year. When there is a subscription support for the paper with its present size and expense, advertising may be accepted and not begged and a paper can be put out to suit the wishes of the publishing staff instead of suiting the amount of finance that can be raised. The subscription list is growing, and with the support of our vast body of students and ex-students, the future East Texan should be a joy and pride to every one interested in the old school. Our motto is: A moderate beginning and a steady growth.

Honey Grove, Tex., Jan. 15, 1916.—Mr. E. L. Taylor, Commerce. Dear Elmer: I received The East Texan today and am very glad to know that it is to be published this year. I guess everything is going smoothly in the good old E. T. N. C. isn't it? It certainly has been going that way here today for we had a seven inch snow yesterday and last night. . . Four more boys and myself went on a big rabbit hunt today. We walked about 2 miles and caught 38 rabbits. We would find them under the snow then run them down. . . I am preparing to work about 125 acres of land this year. Thirty acres in corn and the rest in cotton. Of course this will be worked by hired labor. . . I am sure you are enjoying your school work this year. For from all reports everything seems to be very different from what it was there a year or two ago. I sometimes wish that I was back in school. . . Enclosed you will find my check for \$5.00 for which please

IN REMEMBRANCE OF

**INGREY ROGERS**

*who died at her father's home near Bivins, in Cass County.*

*Tho here but a short while, her untimely death was a severe shock to all who knew her.*

send me The East Texan for six months. . . Heres hoping you and the East Texan a very prosperous year.

Very sincerely yours,  
 HARMON HARRAL JR.

P. S. Use the rest of this money for the benefit of the East Texan, any way you see fit.

H. R. H.

## Standing of Society Subscription Contest

Society—	No. on Roll	No. Subs.	P.C.
Amothenian	40	15	38
F. Willard	60	15	25
Excelsior	25	9	36
Philomathean	63	25	40
Lightfoot	117	35	31

The conditions of the individual Prize Contest will be announced next week.

## Announcements

Young men's class in public speaking has started. All who wish to take this work should see Mrs. Owens in the Expression Department at once.

The Glee Club will give a few numbers at Chapel Saturday morning.—M. S. Mayo, Director.

Choral Club meets every evening immediately after supper.

Basketball team plays Burleson in Greenville Friday afternoon.

E. L. Taylor, Commerce, Tex.  
 Find enclosed 50c. Please send me the East Texan for 6 months.

Name .....

P. O. ....

## Prominent Football Men at E. T.

### NO. 3.—R. F. RUBARTH.

One of the most handsome, most unscrupulous heart-breakers, who was on our last year's football squad was no other personage than Mr. R. F. Rubarth. He is a country "Rube" from the neighborhood of Gatesville. Besides his many other attractions he has investments in live stock and good farming land. He has about six brothers and sisters, not one of whom has ever been to school here.

He came to East Texas Normal in time for the September opening of 1916. He started his year's work in First Grade Certificate subjects. In accordance with his high ambitions, and true to the ideals of all real school-workers, he has from the very first identified himself with a literary society, in this case the Philomathen.

He did work in the high school at Gatesville before casting his lot with the Commerce students. There he entered into most of the usual student activities and really won a warm corner in the heart of their baseball team, but strange to say, he had never seen a football game until he took part in one. At first reluctantly and against his parent's wishes he was induced to put on a suit and take his place on the training squad, but now whole-heartedly in favor of that glorious American game he would have to be kept in chains bound hand and foot, to be kept off the gridiron when a fierce conflict is in progress. And his parents, judging from his increased appetite at Christmas, would surely withdraw all their objections.

His build makes him exactly fitted for his place as left guard. He is of fairly good height and tips the scales above 180. He is not too beefy to be hindered from plowing through the line and breaking up promising plays. Besides his driving power he is capable of withstanding the most formidable attack of his most dangerous opponent.

He is girlish in complexion and his charming smile, which plays over his face in the worst of con-

ditions, helped to cheer his bedraggled and mud bespattered team-mates on through mud and rain, and which greeted us as fresh as ever when he rose from an attack on Griggs, this added to his laughing eyes indeed made an attractive face. No wonder when it was rumored that he was married many of the girls shed bitter tears.

He was always regular in practice. He went to Sherman and there in the first game which he had ever seen he held his own with veteran players. As substitute guard he played such a good game that he won a place in the hearts of coach and team, such that he was scarcely out of the game any time during the season.

He was always dreaded by his opponents, and with good cause. The quickness with which his husky form would recover a fumble, and his regularity in breaking through the line made him a figure which was to be dreaded while playing defensively, and on the offensive his side of the line presented almost an impassable barrier and no average player could get by him.

On the trip from Denton he was elected captain for 1917 and will be here to fill the bill again. He will always make his team's problems his own and use all his skill, prowess, and power in helping to solve them.

He will be here for baseball and we can be confident that he will help us.

With such men as Rubarth backed by the proper spirit on the part of the student body, how can we be kept from having a winning team?

[TO BE CONTINUED]

### Expressions We Hear Every Day.

Mr. Ritch—Well, that's what I say.

Mr. Bigony—Yes, umph ugh.

Miss Dial—I didn't either.

Prof. McGee—Never mind that. Let it go.

Mr. Cash—I don't know anything about girls. Ask somebody who knows.

Prof. Fling—Students you should know that.

Edith Windell—Sure enough.

Mr. Driver—Yes, that's right.

Mr. Brown—I thought so.

Prof. Gaines—(5 minutes after second bell)—We'll have to there. Take the next lesson for tomorrow.

Eva Price—I tell you, Susie, I never will learn that old geometry. I have been through the thing three times already. But I don't care.

Salomie Norris—Great guns.

Beulah Dethrow—"Cousin Lelia, I didn't know that they skinned pigs."

Mrs. Lyday—"Why, yes, they always skin them at the barber shop."

Miss Teel (in geology class)—"Prof. Lutz, what are glass marbles made of?"

Prof. Lutz—"Why, (ha ha) glass, of course."

Several girls were getting wood the other evening when Charlie Johnston came up smoking a cigar. Vera Jones said: "Oh, girls, it is going to turn cold, for here comes a hog with a stick in his mouth."

### WANTED

A brindle cat that will catch rats with white feet. We have lost ours.—Misses Wingo and Bryant.

My friends to know that I have a new hair cut.—Pat Smith.

All who do not know any better to help me appraise when a religious announcement is made.—Tacket.

Cass: "Why, I did not know there was a Christian church in town. I mean between the college and town. Tacket: Yes, that little church that is down here on College street is a Christian church. Cass: Hugh! I thought that was the Campbellites."

## Alumni Doings

### THE ROMANCE OF A CROSS-CUT SAW.

#### CHAPTER II. (POSTLUDE.)

Before starting out on this lap of our story it is necessary to call attention to some very personal traits of our main character. Hyder was a poor boy whose clothes fitted him barely—sometimes thread-barely. But he was a great optimist. During his student life he had three great tasks to perform which occupied most of his time—and none of which he ever succeeded in doing. One was to get ahead of Mary; another was to beat Pharr back to the room after their last lesson was said; and the third was to catch up with his talk. The chief quality of his personality was a keen consciousness of his ability; and a strong aversion to silence was like unto the first.

Pharr was also poor, but his circumstances were more comfortable than in the case of Hyder. He was extremely shy and unassuming; but supremely confident and untiring in his work. His powers of observation and deduction were prodigious and his memory was as sure as that attributed to Jumbo. He was honest, simple, and direct in his bearing. His likes and dislikes were very marked; and he never appeared annoyed in the least by those distracting dilemmas that perplex the less fearless.

Tittle was, for those days, in easy circumstances; and found himself getting on easily and smoothly with never a care that he could not instantly shake off. His was a life of unruffled and continuous self-satisfaction. Socially he surpassed the others of his group in accomplishments. He had an ease and buoyancy of bearing which was noticeably lacking on the part of the others of his group.

Holmes was the necessary completing link in this chain of romantic characters. If Hyder supplied the "pep;" Pharr the grit; Tittle the polish; it was left for Holmes to furnish the group with an undercurrent of feeling, or human sympathy. He was cheerful, honest, and enthusiastic. He was strong in respect for principle of right, and a stickler for obedience to constituted authority. It is said that when on one occasion it became necessary for him to send a note to his sweetheart he had Prof. Mayo carry

the message for him rather than risk an infraction of the rules by entrusting it to less puissant hands.

The hour had struck when these brave knights should hearken to the call of the great world without. They each took their sad leave of old E. T. N. C. and struck out boldly into the great seething mass of humanity. Pharr, driven by his love of books, plodded through several years of Yale, after which he studied abroad several years finally becoming a ripe scholar and a proficient professor of Greek. He is now teaching at Urbana, Ill. As a scholar he is the most illustrious of the sons of E. T. N. C.

Tittle, true to his impulse to live a life untrammelled and uncramped by dull care and weary toil tried teaching only to find it unsuited to his temperament. He then turned to law, but not being disposed to endure its rigid encroachments and legal niceties he soon abandoned it for the ministry. As a minister he has grown rapidly, occupying, at this time, a pulpit at Bonham. A few years ago Rev. Tittle was honored by being selected to deliver the annual address before the alumnal meeting. He is a forceful speaker and ranks high among former E. T. N. C. boys who have entered the ministry.

After pursuing his studies in the University for some years Holmes began his career as an educator at Marlowe, Okla. After spending a number of years at Marlowe he was called to accept a professorship in Henry Kendall College, at Tulsa, Okla., which position he occupies at this time.

Upon leaving Commerce Hyder began to build his bridges to cross over into the medicine man's field. After making a remarkable record both in the medical school and upon taking his examination he established himself at Commerce, where he has since hung out his shingle. He has served many years as the official physician at his Alma Mater. He has a cozy cottage home near the College and has never yet caught up with his talk—or got ahead of Mary.—Finis.

MONTA.

An extract from a letter written to Dr. W. J. S. Smith, by his nephew, W. J. S. Smith, an alumnus of the East Texas Normal College:

Dansalau, Lanao, P. I.

Dear Uncle:

I surely was glad to receive your

long-looked for letter. I am receiving from one to a half dozen letters, from friends, on every boat now, but they don't come as often as our own dear trains. And now that England won't let our mail alone Uncle Sam has decided to carry his own mail and see to it that England does not meddle. From now on we will get our mail on transports only, and that means once a month.

I have the best location imaginable. The climate is just lovely, excepting daily showers. It is always cool in the shade.

Last night I slept under two woolen army blankets. But the whole islands are not that way. Not thirty miles from me you can hardly sleep it is so warm. . . . We are on a large lake in the mountains some 2300 feet above sea level and only 20 miles from the coast. The whole Islands are of volcanic formation. The lake is practically surrounded by extinct craters. The scenery is truly wonderful. . . . Everything here has an "Oriental flavor," I call it. You learn to like the fruits though. I could not eat papayas when I first came over, but I certainly like them now. They are as full of pepsin as a pig's stomach. Very wholesome. . . . I'm a supervisor and hope to be promoted to Supt. next year. But there are men who have been here 13 and 14 years who have no better place than mine except in salary.

Your Nephew,

W. J. S. SMITH.

The following letter was received the other day:

Alumnal Editor, East Texan.

Dear Sir: Will you kindly inform me through the columns of your paper the present address of Mr. W. B. Stone. I am alone in the world and understand that he is also. I am desirous of getting in touch with him, and thought that maybe you could tell me where he can be found.

Thanking you, etc.,

(MISS) \_\_\_\_\_.

Am sorry, but we cannot give business addresses on this page. For the information you seek I suggest that you write Prof. Mayo to send you a copy of the Normal Guide. It will guide you into all truth.—Ed.

Mr. C. T. Watson, who was reported in this paper a few numbers back as at Anson, Texas, is Supt. of schools at Seminole, Texas.

Also, Mr. O. B. Rollins is now at Memphis, Texas, as Supt. of schools. These corrections are made upon information received in a letter from Mr. R. E. Glaze, who is principal of the high school at Childress, Texas.

Any man may be justified in blowing his own horn, but not in going on a "toot."