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J. J. Wilson

COMMERCE, TEXAS, THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1917

## A Surprise Entertainment

It was announced in Chapel Saturday morning that a surprise was in store for us. None of the boys, and few of the girls, knew what this surprise was, and when it would be, but were requested to keep in readiness as it might happen at any time.

The secret was revealed at 8:05 Saturday evening when the young men passed a receiving line at Willard Hall which was headed by Mrs. Lyday and next in order was Mrs. Roark. We were escorted to the dining hall by young ladies who were introduced to us by some member of the receiving line. Some of the introductions were not necessary, of course, but were performed just the same.

Several games were played, "Ship a Sailing," "Station Call," and others. Mrs. Owens furnished a greater part of the program with several members of the oratory class. The Glee Club gave several very excellent numbers which was under the direction of M. S. Mayo. And Miss Aileen Mayo gave two numbers which were very much enjoyed by all; and a complete write-up could not be made without mentioning her part of the program. Mme. Mayo was called on for a speech, and responded, as usual, in her unsatirical manner.

We are very grateful to the entertaining committee, Misses Gray, Price, Teel and Moulton, and also to Mrs. Cowling and Prof. Miller who were instrumental in the success of the program. We might mention several

more whose efforts toward the success of the program met with no less degree of efficiency, but space will not permit.

I am sure, fair maidens, that I speak the sentiments of all the young men when I say that you certainly understand the art of entertaining, and I may say what many young men, who were present, would like to say, when I say that if entertainment were all that was necessary to make people happy in this world, we should certainly be happy here in E. T. N. C.

Fair queens, I have told you that we young men realized much pleasure and enjoyment from the evening of hospitality and amusement, but I must now come to the only sad feature, and that was when we said good-night.

The program was concluded with one of Prof. Mayo's favorites, "The Colledge Promenade."

## Tennis Club Is Organized

The general athletic spirit has been taking hold of the E. T. boys and girls. A large number interested in tennis met in the college building for the purpose of organizing an association. The following officers were elected: E. L. Taylor, president; Miss Myrtle Morris, secretary-treasurer. F. S. Keahey was elected as chairman of a "grounds committee." Work will be begun at once on the courts and we will have about twenty courts in splendid condition for the summer.

Wisdom is the name some men apply to their self-conceit.

## A Classical Entertainment

A good sized audience greeted Mme. Agnes Leist Beebe last Thursday evening at the Colledge auditorium. Her voice is of lovely quality and her personality charming. She rendered a magnificent program most artistically and every one present declared himself delighted. Mme. Beebe was enthusiastic over Aileen Booth Mayo's excellent accompanying. Commerce is justly proud of being able to secure such an artist.—Commerce Journal.

## Students Attend Singing Convention

Sunday afternoon several of the students hiked out to "Lebanon" where they attended a Singing Convention. Some members of the Glee Club were present and took an active part in the singing. All report a very pleasant time.

Everything was in readiness. The groom, best man, and the minister were gathered in the vestry. The organist began to play and the minister started for the door. "Wait one moment, doctor," called the nervous groom, J. J. Wilson. "Is it the right or the left hand the ring goes on?" "The left," hurriedly replied the minister. "And, doctor, is—is it kisstomary to cuss the bride?"

J. S. Sewell visited E. T. N. C. Saturday and Sunday. It may be remembered by many that Mr. Sewell has cooked as many biscuits for E T as any other cook, and the quality was generally good.

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Along with the recent improvement of the campus interior work is moving along nicely. The entire dining hall has been refinished. It now has the appearance of a most elegant hall. In Willard Hall the wood work is being painted and walls stained. This much needed improvement adds to the attractiveness of the home life as well as the appearance of the building.

Work on the spring gardens is progressing nicely. Prof. Lutz heads the list in preparing. Some of the girls have secured plots and soon beautiful flowers will be tossing their heads to passersby. We hope every space will be filled which will add much to the appearance of the campus.

The Athletic Editor has gone on strike this week. He makes no complaint about long hours but says he must have better pay. As yet we see no way of compromise but hope to find some effective plan soon. There is no way of increasing his pay—and we need the article.

The present Legislature of Texas has done much for the Junior student. The law allowing Junior Colleges the right to grant certificates has passed and been signed. The college is a

mediator between High School and University, where boys are made men. It is the trying out, whether he will falter or continue and make of himself a finished product. Perhaps, when boys enter college they for the first time find they need some code of morals. It is the college life that largely determines his system for the future. A self-control that he may get no place other than with the squad on an athletic field is gained a college course gives him a development in moral, physical as well as intellectual realms. Many who heretofore have not found it an advantage will now be glad of the opportunity to attend a Junior College.

## Waiting a Comeback

The basket ball girls of E. T. met C. H. S. on the Normal's court to test each skill. E. T. girls showed their good training by the valiant team work of Centers Bishop and Swearingen.

At the first of the game the score went in favor of High School but when Aulsbrook and Fletcher received the ball, things changed for a while. Capt. Mayo and Womack displayed great ability as guards during the first half. Womack was disabled to play the last half and Thomas took her place the C. H. S. girls showed swift team work and good coaching at the last of the game. By C. H. S.'s good playing the score was 20 to 4 in their favor.

"Where the heart is there is the treasure." This is true in the case of E. C. Brice, of North Carolina University. Dallas florist are taking special care of their flowers for a certain little blonde at Yowell.

Too many fertile imaginations run to weeds.

## Want Ads.

Job scrubbing E T N C apartment. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Eva Price.

Something to relieve painters colic.—Lois Lowry.

A second hand bell in good condition. I want to bell Dr. Eads, I can't keep up with him.—Ermah Whatenbarger.

Four keg stoppers to stop the music boxes of the waiters while they are performing the medecre tasks of setting the tables.—South Wing Willard Hall.

Ted West—Beulah, what does p-a stand for?

Miss Dithrow—Pennsylvania of course.

Margaret Mayo—Papa, I am glad I wasn't born in China.

Prof. Mayo—Why, baby?

Margeret—Because, I might have been a Chinaman.

## Standing of Society

### Subscription Contest

Society—	No. on Roll	No. Subs.	P.C.
Amothenian	50	16	32
F. Willard	69	16	24
Excelsior	30	9	30
Philomathean	63	26	41
Lightfoot	125	36	30

## Even Chances.

A traveler was standing on the quay looking at a Mississippi boat and accosted one of the deck hands who was leisurely smoking a pipe, and inquired:

"Say, boss, is this boat going up or down?"

"Well," said the man, speaking slowly and as if considering the subject in all its aspects: "She's all-fired leaky, and her b'ilers ain't none too good, so I guess it's about even chances, if you're taking a bet on it."

## Some Peculiar Diseases Here

A prominent member of the Scientific Class 1917 complains of continuous attacks of diseases peculiar to members of his group.

Says the member: Upon becoming associated with Prof. Cowling, a carrier of various mathematical diseases, I was exposed to, and later contracted a sort of Analytical Rheumatism. This attack was slight and a few strolls with "Sally" during Christmas holidays, put me on my feet again, only to suffer a severe attack of Calculic Dispepsia contracted during the early part of January. Prof. Cowling seems to delight in spreading such maladies.

I am now in the last stages of another disease that has proved fatal by "laying to rest" four of our beloved class mates. It is known to both, B. S. and the B. L. Classes, as Historical Fever. At present every member of the B. L. Class is quarantined. Those who survive the awful attacks of the fever are subjected to an individual oral examination to ascertain the patient is immune from later attacks. Prof. Miller, the attending physician and quarantine officer, has the power to relapse any patient, whom he finds not entirely immune.

Immunity as defined by Prof. Miller is knowing by heart, "Adam's History of Civilization During the Middle Ages," as well as all other recognized texts in the subject; in addition, notes on supplementary reading covering 75 per cent of all historical works in Prof. Mayo's private library. There is another disease, known as Latin Mania, not so contagious but far more fatal. There are 3 stages of this disease. In the first stage it attacks and com-

pletely destroys the reason; in second, it produces a sort of semi-consciousness in which the victim acts and talks as if he were actually in company with Romans 2000 years ago; and creates an irresistible desire to spread the disease in the third.

Prof. G. has a typical case of Latin mania and his is the only case that has ever developed in the Normal. He seems to be in the last stage for he makes a business of spreading this disease. We can not hope to escape for we are expected to breathe these germs for 50 minutes each day. The air is thick with germs especially if Prof. G. has high fever. It is known that one absentee will run his fever up to 110.

### At Last.

On the evening of Feb. 27 the long looked for Hawaiian Quintet came.

Long before she hour for the program to begin the auditorium was packed. Every vacant space was filled with chairs. At no time during the year has such a crowd listened to a Lyceum number. It was said there was no one in Commerce to be told that all came to hear for themselves. Several from neighboring towns came in. The Hawaiians were alive, eager to get into a composition. They seemed not to weary when they were called back as was done many times. The steel guitar held greatest sway. Their plan of variation added charm to the spell. At times intense pathos followed by great merriment. All in all it was a happy occasion.

Burr Cameron spent a few days this week at Linden on business.

Several former students who are now teaching attended the Lyceum Tuesday night, among

this group being Mrs. Grace Hymer at Wolfe City, W H Elmore, Klondike; Misses Ines Terrell and Florence Elmore at Wesley Chapel, Jesse Finch from Yowell. This goes to speak well of our Lyceum numbers.

Miss Nettie Lou Wilbanks has returned from a short visit with her sister who is moving to N M.

Mr R H Moore, Supt at Gates, spent a pleasant Sunday with his many friends of the college and city.

Miss Virginia Warlick, teaching in Ladonia High School, paid us a short visit last Saturday. She reports a pleasant year's work.

L D Parsons paid us a visit Saturday along with his brother of Grapevine who is a prospective student.

Mr Isbell of S M U paid his E T N C friends a visit last week.

Allen Ritch made his brother a short visit Sunday evening. Tobie reports that Hugh is fast improving and will soon be back in school.

Lewis Moulton located in the Cumby High School visited his sister Saturday.

Howard White has returned after spending a few days at home. He reports his brother Bernice much improved.

Joe Parsons, a former student and who is now director of athletics of Carlton High School, was here last week.

E Kirk, who is now teaching at Horton was with us Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Betty Anderson of Purden, is visiting her sister, Mrs Carl Rutland. Both are former students of East Texas Normal College.

## Alumni Doings

### SPORTS AND MOTORDOM.

BEING AN ACCOUNT OF THE EDITOR'S EXPERIENCE WITH AN AUTOMOBILE.

Last summer ye editor started out to play the game of motoring about over the country roads of North Texas. He had never driven a car; had never studied motors or motor vehicles; and most important of all had not made a study of mechanics and their methods.

After a few hours practice at the steering wheel he started out. The first few days passed off quietly; as he sat nervously at the wheel speeding along sometimes at the marvelous rate of 12 to 15 miles per hour many thrills served to break the monotony, such as butting into passing vehicles or nearby fence posts; or running into an unsuspecting cotton patch or sometimes playing trench warfare with convenient ditches to serve as trenches.

On the fourth day out the real fun started. He was running along smoothly on a fairly good road when he suddenly ran upon a high bridge, one of those scenic wonders of Delta County.

The old gal died spasmodically and suddenly. Efforts to get her going again were all vain. She was stone dead. Ye editor examined every part and connection that he knew anything about, but it was no use. She would not even groan. He walked about a mile through the sweltering heat and telephoned a garage in a distant town to come to the rescue. A mechanic came, took the old gal to pieces and put her back again without finding anything wrong. But she would not go. He dragged her up the road, and back down the road, and then up again, and finally she started off her own free will and accord. She ran in all o. k. but when she stopped out in front of the garage she died again. Again she was taken down and put back. New wires were put in; the battery was re-charged; the magneto was overhauled; the carbureter was

re-adjusted; the valves were ground; the spark-plugs were re-adjusted; the switch was taken down and built up again—and she was still dead as ever. Ye editor paid a fat repair bill, lost most of the summer, and then found the trouble himself. The lever that regulated the air feed was worn and would slip when the car got a jolt. After making that discovery motoring became again a pleasure, but the editor felt tempted to start a private graveyard where only auto mechanics might dwell.

MORAL: When you start out on a joy ride keep one eye on the doo-flick—that little thing that fits in the doofunny.

### SOME LOCAL ALUMNI.

Mr. F. N. Sheeley, assistant cashier of the Planters & Merchants National Bank, prominent in Masonic circles, a popular young business man, and untiring in his continued loyalty to duty, a friend to his alma mater and to every boy and girl who comes to old E. T. N. C.

Mr. L. B. England, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, an amiable and smiling young man who invariably greets you with a jovial friendliness that leaves a good taste in your mouth and a song in your heart. He still holds E. T. N. C. close to his heart and never fails to attend our annual alumna meetings.

Mr. Hugh Wynn, cashier of the Citizens State Bank, a hustling young banker and one always ready with a friendly word of advice or an earnest appeal for your patronage. He believes in pushing his business and shows his faith by his works.

Hon. W. E. Sayle, attorney-at-law, an energetic young lawyer who handles the legal matters of Commerce's leading business men and corporations. If it is legal advice you seek he is lorded.

Mr. Eliot Moore, newspaper

man and a cynic. But behind his blunt manner will be found a kindly heart fenced about with a ready wit and a pleasing good humor that almost strikes the ladies dead.

Mr. Homer Hundley, for many years active manager of the C. J. Hundley Drug Company. At present with the Palace Drug Store. Mr. Hundley is a good business man and widely known in business circles.

W. F. Cornelius, for many years engaged in the grocery business in Commerce, at present mayor of the city. A warm friend of the college and of Prof. Mayo. Mr. Cornelius is at present engaged in the fire insurance business.

T. W. Smith, civil engineer, prominently identified with many feats of engineering skill in and around Commerce. He has engaged in railroad engineering—not the locomotive type—drainage and levee work, grading and other engineering activities.

Dr. D. C. Hyder, M. D., previously given space on this page. A prominent young physician of our city. He is a breezy, jovial, and energetic young man and an excellent physician, especially noted as an expert in diagnosis.

Mrs. E. E. Maloney, founder of the Maloney Medal. Prominently identified with social and civic activities of the town. She is a loyal patron of all that is upbuilding in character in the life of the city. Her support has fostered many praiseworthy movements.

Mrs. W. W. Sherrill, an active Alumna, member of the Culture Club, warm friend of the college, always in attendance upon her duties as a citizen of the town, helpful, willing, taking an active interest in all civic activities.

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