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Since this issue of *The East Texan* has gone to press, our Beloved President, Professor W. L. Mayo, has died. Time of burial indefinite, but not before Tuesday, March 20.

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COMMERCE, TEXAS, THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1917

## First Baseball Tryouts Pleasing

For several days baseball practice has been going on, on the new Athletic field, and Coach Garitty has about twenty-five men anxious to earn a place on the 1917 team. So far only light batting and throwing practice has been indulged in, but with this warm spring weather, strenuous practice is beginning.

Many new men are out and for several days Coach Garitty will be keeping a sharp eye on form and finish. Prospects seem bright at this time for a winning team. We remember how new life was given the team last year even late in the summer, and with the same hand guiding early in the season, something good is naturally expected.

Much interest is being manifested by the baseball "fans" and good support is expected from the student body.

## Judge Geo. D. Alden Coming

"The Powder and the Match" Lecture Saturday night.

How many have heard "Said I to Myself, Said I"? It is generally known that whoever have been told that "They do that up in New England, we don't do it down here" by Judge Geo. D. Alden, are looking forward to Saturday night, for a real intellectual feast.

Judge Alden delivered a lecture, "The Needs of the Hour" here last year, and all who heard him are loud in his praise. His lecture this time will be either

"The Powder and the Match" or "Jack and the Bean Stalk."

Dr. Alden is one of the best platform orators in the nation.

## Old Student in United States Naval Service.

A recent communication brings the news that Ernest M. Moore, a student in 1911-12-13, is on the U. S. S. Mohican, at Covite, P. I. We are not surprised to hear that Ernest has a promotion pending, when we remember his record here. He is to be advanced to assistant paymaster. It is gratifying to hear of worthy young men making a success in their chosen field of activity.

This is one of the favorable reports that come in every week of our college men succeeding.

## Tennis Courts In Fine Shape

A force of men under F. S. Keahey, ground manager, and Supt. McGee worked all day Monday on the courts of the Tennis Club. A span of husky mules worked with scraper and drag, and the uneven places were leveled and filled in, presenting six of the fastest and best drained courts in this section of the state. A pipe line was run from the Commerce Hall main to the courts, providing each court with a hydrant, thereby permitting the courts to be watered before rolling. Several young men club members offered their services in working on the courts. Taylor, Singleton, and Westbrook deserve mention for leading parts played. These facili-

ties are permanent, and indicate that we will have a faster grade of tennis here than ever before. The club membership is rapidly increasing, already nearly thirty cards have been issued, paid up. Many others have expressed their intention to join at an early date. Anyone desiring to join should see Miss Myrtle Morris, the Club Treasurer, or leave name at the East Texan office.

## Basket Ball Season Closes

East Texas Normal College has closed her second basket ball season. The team has shown up pretty well, tho some unavoidable conditions have prevented them carrying out their full program. Just when we were getting in condition to make a visit to Dallas University, Denton Normal, and S. M. U., Coach Garitty was called away on account of sickness and several of the players got in such condition that playing was out of the question. This would have been a valuable trip for the boys and some good games would have been the result, had it been possible to have filled the dates. Some fine material was revealed however which will mean much in the future.

Following are the games and scores:

- E. T. 25; Kirkley 14.
- E. T. 14; Austin College 25.
- E. T. 15; Burleson 16.
- E. T. 25; Burleson 17.
- E. T. 14; Austin College 10.

Pessimists are men who go around looking for thorns to sit on



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## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

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Entered as second-class matter Jan. 12, 1917, at the post office at Commerce, Texas, under Act of March 3, 1879.

The East Texan has been somewhat reserved in its discussions of the bill that has been before the Legislature to transform East Texas Normal College into a State school because there are so many possibilities of what may be done after a bill has met with ever so much favorable consideration. At this writing it seems that the chance for its passage is very good, as it has gone to engrossment in the House by a substantial majority. It has already passed the Senate with practically no opposition, and if no new developments come about other than are in sight now, we hope to announce something definite in the next issue of the East Texan.

Boys, had you stopped to think that the appearance of the hall at the entrance of our dormitory had anything to do with your feeling and general attitude after you got in? If we should apply the old adage of "well begun is half done," to our hall entrance some individual would take it upon himself to initiate a general house cleaning of that bulletin board and those unsightly signs and postings that grate on our nerves as we enter. If we can get that place put into good condition, what do you say to keep-

ing it looking that way by not posting any more notices on the board, and especially the wall. If there is an announcement you wish to make fix it in good form and place it in one corner of the board with tacks, provided you can not get it on the board with chalk. Then we can ask those who have permanent signs and announcements to put them in neat frames and in good form.

Since the wind has played havoc with some of the society program frames over at the boys dormitory, why wouldn't now be a good time to get something in the way of a place to put the programs, really nice and in keeping with the dignity of the work that the different societies are doing. The cost would be nominal to have a case made with a glass door and a lock on the door. This case could be so divided that each society could have a place set apart in which the programs or any announcement of the society could be put. Take a glance at the conditions as they exist and begin to think and talk about what you would like to have.

## Cornelius-Prim.

Mr. DeWitt Cornelius and Miss Mary Prim were married at the Methodist parsonage Sunday morning at 7 o'clock by Rev. J. W. Hill. They left on the early motor car for Kaufman where they will make their future home. The groom has a position as bookkeeper with a large firm there. He is an excellent young man of upright character and good education and is the son of Mrs. Stella Cornelius. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Prim of this city and has a great host of friends because of her womanly traits and graces.

They were both reared in Commerce.—Commerce Journal.

DeWitt is a graduate of the Scientific class of '16. Mary has been a student in the Art Department. The East Texan extends congratulations and wishes them a long and happy stay together.

## The Past Week

Miss Susie Clark has returned to be in school after her visit.

S. J. Strother a long, tall, country professor, who likes ET and has attended school here came in for a visit to his friends.

Jethro Story slipped off from us and went home to stay over Sunday.

J. T. Tackett is on the way to earn the coveted title of Prof. He left here Sunday for his school.

McLemore and Ralph White spent a few days around Mt. Pleasant and Winfield at the end of the week.

"Shorty" Womack went home the other day. The allurements of the parental domicile proved too much for his boyish heart.

Oscar Murrell, a big pitcher, who has won many laurels elsewhere has come to be in school. It follows that he will be a valuable addition to our pitching force and our team.

V. E. Karr spent the first part of the week at home, baseball hastened his return.

M. L. Derdun who has been out for a few weeks has returned

Miss Mora has come again. It will be remembered that she is the sister of Miss Virginia.

Miss Myrtle Morris was called home for a few days. We will be glad to hear of her return.



## *E. T. N. C. Normal Bill Passes House*

Word has just been received from Austin that the bill to transform East Texas Normal College into a State institution has finally passed.

Under present conditions this news will be of especial interest to many.

Further comment will be made in a later issue.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **NOTICE**

*All obligations of the College will be met and school will be resumed Friday morning, March 16.*

Next issue of The East Texan will be a memorial number.

## *A Geometry Proposition.*

Theorem:

If an A. B. is young and handsome,  
And a B. L. will on him smile,  
They can learn to love each other  
In just a little while.

Hypothesis:

Let their desks be tangent  
Their eyes at angles fixed;  
Just let them use the same tablet,  
And their hearts will soon be mixed.

Proof case one: (By the boy)—

Little girl, you are so charming,  
So modest and so sweet,  
I feel that you are needed  
To make my life complete.  
As constant as the stars  
I'll ever be to you,  
And may no mean proportional  
Ever come between us two.  
Now do not coldly turn away,  
For, if I am rejected,  
My joys will be divided,  
My happiness bisected.

Case two: (By the girl)—

Since I've seen your handsome face  
And heard your proposition,  
I feel an inclination  
To accept without condition.  
As a line, my life has been quite straight,  
My conduct perpendicular,  
And in the selection of my lovers  
I've always been particular.  
But the whole is always equal  
To the sum of all its parts:  
'Tis true in geometry,  
'Tis also true in hearts.  
For several years I've felt my heart  
Was but a fraction  
So when I met the other half,  
Of course, I felt attraction.  
Now, if I accept your proposition  
And consent to be your bride,  
I'm sure our souls will be transposed  
Our lives coincide.

Conclusion (by both)—

May we be as near and dear  
As A is near to B,  
And may we love each other  
Forevermore. Q. E. D.

## *New Students Enrolling.*

Schools are beginning to close in some parts of the country and students and teachers are taking advantage of the opportunities offered here of entering at any time and finding work suitable to their needs. The last several days have brought a great many new faces to the enrolling desk. From a casual observation all look like they mean business and the fact that they are not waiting for a good time to enter, but coming the first chance, shows that they are in earnest.

## *Subscription Notice.*

Knowing that many will be unusually interested in what may happen the next few months as well as the memorial issue, we ask that all subscribers tell any ex-student that they can get in touch with that the East Texan will endeavor to give all news. Subscription price until July is thirty-five cents.

According to his own request President Mayo will be buried on the Campus, just north of the Main Building.



## Alumni Doings

Beginning this week, complete and accurate information can be furnished about any alumnus. This is made possible thru the efforts of "Doc" who has been busy the past several weeks mailing out a record card to be filled out and returned. This card calls for date of graduation, degree, present occupation—in short a complete record since leaving here. A new era seems to be dawning for a complete organization and closer cooperation of our Alumni.

Should any one for any reason fail to get your card, notify M. S. Mayo, who will be glad to mail you another letter.

Occasionally a letter is returned, stating that the present address is unknown. In these cases an enquiry will be made in these columns, and any information from any one who see the enquiry, will be gratefully received.

We are printing below the letter sent out with each card:

Dear Fellow-Collegian: In an effort to organize more closely the Alumni of the East Texas Normal College, the President of the Alumni Association, at the Annual Meeting in 1916, upon action of the Association to such effect, appointed a committee of Local Alumni to work in cooperation with me, as Local Alumni Secretary, to take immediate steps toward the end set forth above.

We must first secure a complete roll, up-to-date, of all the alumni. To this end, you can be of valuable assistance by filling in each space of the enclosed record card, with any remarks entered on reverse side of same, and returning same in the self-addressed envelope, by return mail.

As it is our purpose to publish the first issue of "The Alumni Bulletin" in the form of a directory, it is necessary that this information be in our office by March 18th.

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated and suggestions are earnestly solicited.

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy of an early reply, and with best wishes personally, I am

Cordially yours,

M. S. Mayo,  
Secretary.

Would like to know where T. J. Gamble is. Last known address was Yowell, Texas.

### EX-STUDENTS

As was announced last week this column is for those who, are not graduates, yet who constitute a great strength and bulwark of the school.

Information in this column must necessarily be gathered from various sources, as there is no way of keeping up with this vast body of people. For this reason, any information will be gratefully received. If any one wishes to know the whereabouts of some friend, who has been in school here, write to the East Texan and if the information is available it will be given in this column.

G. F. Hudspeth will have charge of this department.

J. M. Walton is mail clerk out of Fort Worth on the Sunshine Special, and is at the same time taking an advanced course in law.

Miss Florence Conner is County Superintendent of Kaufman County. She is making good.

Hardy Moore is Supt. Duncanville schools. It is useless to say to you who know him that he is successful, that is understood.

Miss Anabelle Finley is doing work in C. I. A. Judging from the work she did while at Commerce, she is listed with the successful.

J. A. Penny is teaching near Hughes Springs, Cass county.

L. E. Huff is Supt. Union Academy, Dallas. As we all know Huff is a big man; and he is filling a big place. He has the greatest enrollment of any school in Dallas county except Dallas and West Dallas.

Alton V. Fuller has the superintendency of San Elizario school, which is in the extreme western part of the state.

Roy Owens is in the grocery business here in Commerce, having bought the McCarter & Perkins old stand.

Homer Wright is doing work in the University of Colorado at Boulder. Prof. and Mrs. Wright are teaching penmanship there.

Howard Martin is teaching at Mt. Auburn, Dallas. It seems that he has his community grabbed.

I. M. and Arch Daniels are working in Alba school. They are both meeting with great success.

Miss Anna Keeley is in Dallas county. We never hear of work other than it is of A1 type.

Miss Daisy McCullough is at Wylie this year. Her knowledge of literature and her musical talent will steer her safely by all obstacles.

Roy Loughlin has a position with the Western Union Telegraph Company at Dallas.

Mrs. Minnie Smith (nee Bruce) is teaching at Afton Grove, Cherokee county.

A. B. Culberson was elected Tax Assessor of Henderson at the last primaries and is gaining the very hearty commendation of all his constituents.