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# J. M. Bledsoe THE EAST TEXAN

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## The Man Who Waits.

The man who wins is an average man,  
Not built on any peculiar plan;  
Not blest with any peculiar luck—  
Just steady and earnest and full of  
pluck.

When asked a question, he does not  
"guess;"  
He knows, and answers "No" or  
"Yes;"  
When set a task that the rest can't do,  
He buckles down till he's put it  
through.

Three things he's learned—that the  
man who tries  
Finds favor in his employer's eyes;  
That it pays to know more than one  
thing well;  
That it doesn't pay all he knows to  
to tell.

So he works and waits, till one fine  
day,  
There's a better job with better pay;  
And the men who shirked whenever  
they could,  
Are bossed by the man whose work  
made good.

For the man who wins is the man who  
works,  
Who neither labor nor trouble shirks;  
Who uses his hands, his head, his  
eyes—  
The man who wins is the man who  
tries.

—Royal Trust Monthly.

## Y. M. C. A. Rally.

Dr. Nichols, of the Southwestern University, addressed the students and faculty Friday morning at the chapel hour and again at 2:00 o'clock in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. work. This organization is raising \$35,000,000 for the welfare of the soldiers in the camps, on the firing line, and in prisons.

He spoke of some of the hardships that prisoners endure. Their daily allowances consist of a bowl of thin soup three times a day, one-half pound of bread and a quart of water. The prisons are so small that there

is not room for all to lie down at once. When a contagious disease breaks out among them the victims are not removed, but are forced to remain in close quarters with the others. Under such conditions where they are cold, hungry, thirsty, ragged, dirty and covered with lice many become hopelessly insane. Then the Germans are willing to return them. There are between twenty and thirty thousand in the relief camp in Moscow.

Mr. Hart and Mr. Eddy, Y. M. C. A. secretaries, doing work in the prison camps, say that they find very highly educated men among the prisoners. They have nothing with which to work—just waiting. The Y. M. C. A. does much to relieve this mental stagnation that results, by making plans by which they can utilize their time. In some instances miniature manufacturers, in others, schools by which teachers in the camps have classes for those less highly educated.

In spite of the hardships they do not complain. The true spirit is seen in the following illustrations: Mr. Bartholemew, a Y. M. C. A. secretary, was passing through a camp one day and noticed an apparent robust young man lying in bed. He approached and asked why he did not go out into the open to enjoy the spring sunshine. The young fellow, only nineteen years old, smiled up at him. For an answer he drew back the cover—both feet were gone. The secretary tried to comfort him with such remarks as "that is too bad." The boy's significant reply was, "Don't pity me. I offered my life to my country and they only took my feet"

Many other examples were given showing the great part the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. play in this great world conflict. No other organization is doing the work.

An opportunity was given the faculty and students to express themselves. President Binnion made a few very appropriate remarks after which many members of the faculty spoke in behalf of the movement. Many of the students expressed their sympathy for the cause. We are very proud of

the manner in which the students and faculty responded both in sentiment and finances. The sum of \$1,006.45 was subscribed. This is a very fine showing and reflects the spirit of the student body and faculty. It is the sense of all that we are all very glad to do our part in this great work.

## The New Heating Plant.

When the new management took possession of the E. T. N. C., it at once realized that the old heating plant had served its time and was inadequate to sufficiently heat the buildings. A new Kewaunee No. 15 boiler with a capacity of 7500 feet of radiation was purchased. This new plant is now installed, and both the Main Building and Science Hall are equipped with a Dunham system of sufficient capacity to keep an inside temperature of 70 degrees F. against an outside temperature of 0 degrees. One of the good features of the system is that the return or condensation is brought back by a float Vacuum Heating Pump operated by a three horse power motor. This insures a good circulation of steam at all times.

The sky may grow dim  
Along the Northern horizon  
Cold winds may blow  
To our instructions we go  
With ease and comfort to sit  
We know.

College friendship and comradeships are the substances of many of life's fullest satisfactions in after years. They should be cherished as rare exotics. True, rich and noble natures are the fittest gardens for such flowers. In shallow and selfish natures they must wither and die; they are too sacred for such barren wastes. Memory seizes upon the passing moment, paints its picture and hangs it within the hall's of the soul's inner chambers for her to look upon when she will. And may there be no sad regrets to dim the luster of the sacred views.

# THE EAST TEXAN.

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The East Texan faces a greater problem this year than ever before. On account of the late opening of the school, increased cost of labor and material, and many of the former students now serving in the army, and other conditions which make a subscription list difficult to obtain; all these things make it necessary for every former student and friend of the institution to do everything possible to make the enterprise a success. Don't fail to send in your subscription and urge others to do the same.

We cannot afford to forget our boys who are now enlisted in the service of Uncle Sam. They are giving not only their complete time and service, but are offering their lives for the honor and safety of our country. To all these loyal sons and noble brothers, The East Texan extends her kind and hearty wishes for their protection and guidance during the months which they spend in defending the name and guarding the safety of our country.

There is nothing quite so much appreciated by the boy away from home and among strangers as a message from home, or from his old friends and associates; and especially is this true of our soldier boys. Every former student of the college will be so glad to receive each week a copy of The East Texan. You can confer no greater favor than to pay a year's subscription for some friend in the army who is a former pupil of the College.

An effort is being made to collect the names and addresses of all the Alumni of the College, and if you know the whereabouts of any graduate of the school, you will confer a great favor upon the Editorial Staff if you will send in the names and addresses of just as many of the former graduates as you know, also the year in which they graduated if you remember the year. It will be appreciated if you will send the names and addresses of any former students, whether graduates or not.

## SOLDIER BOY VISITS COMMERCE

Mr. J. J. Skinner, who is now in training at Camp Bowie, paid a friendly visit to the College on Saturday, November 17. Mr. Skinner is well known to many of the present student body, and his pleasant greeting and military bearing were much appreciated by his friends who are in attendance upon the College, and his brief account of army life was very interesting. Several of the old E. T. N. C. boys are in training at Camp Bowie, and their best wishes were conveyed to the whole student body by Mr. Skinner.

Read The East Texan.

## Training School Notes.

The Training School, while the youngest member of the Normal family, bids fair to become a strong, sturdy infant. It is housed in a thoroughly modern building, constructed according to the most approved plans.

We have seven grades in the school this year and we expect to add two others—the eighth and ninth—next year. This will make it possible for pupils who finish the Training school to enter the first year class of the Normal.

Our athletic department is flourishing. We have a football team, a basketball team, and volley ball groups.

Below is a report of some of the activities of the Training School. It was handed in by our reporter:

Ever since the first day of school the boys have had a football team. All of them contributed liberally and bought a ball. We have played three games already and are planning to play another soon.

The girls also have a basketball team and are practicing but as there isn't any rival team they haven't played any yet.

Nearly all the rooms have organized literary societies and have elected presidents and secretaries and other officers. They have a program every other Saturday. The sixth and seventh grades have already had two splendid programs. A few visitors were present.

Mr. Bledsoe has the Training school to take part in the weekly paper which the College students are going to publish. Howard Adams, sixth grade and Ruby Lee Nelson, seventh grade, were elected reporters.

Prof. W. B. Stone has received a card from his brother, Sid, who arrived in France Oct. 22nd. He sends the good news to the U. S. A., "The morale of the American and British armies is very fine." At that time he was expecting to go on duty soon. To him and to the other E. T. N. C. boys in Uncle Sam's service The East Texan sends greetings and bids them God's speed in the noble part they are playing in this great conflict for our mutual welfare. Mr. Stone is in the Motorcycle corps of the regular army.

## Many Former Students.

Many students of the old E. T. N. C. are attending the East Texas State Normal College this year. Among these are Misses Sallie Strother, Winnie Wingo, Josephine Aulsbrook, Effie Watkins, Lottie Moulton, Myrtle Cockerell, Doris Gay, Nora Wesley, Georgia Bryant, Sula Bule, Philomena Mora, Gladys Estes, Lemay Gibson, Estelle Earhart, Enna Wattenbarger, Lucile Murdaugh, Mesars. Herman Day, Fred Decker, Charley Masters, Ira Currie, W. H. Westbrook, Kellie McKinzie, Frank Rubarth, Leslie Clifton, Hubbard Bland, Jimmie Bland, Best Bruce, W. H. Wattenbarger, Clarence Lutes, Oscar Lawson, J. C. Samuels, Bryon Killebrew, Louise Gurloy, Gorman Walker, Claude Cass, and many others whose names will appear later.

## Our Football Prospects.

On account of the late start of our school our football team was materially weakened. A number of good men who were coming here went to other schools and we have had hardly enough to run signals. This does not seem to hinder the boys much, for they all have the old pep and fight which it takes to make a good team. Although many are inexperienced in football they all seem willing to do all they can and we have some very promising material. The game with Burleson was beyond a doubt a great help to the boys as it will help them find their weak spots and find some remedy for them and prepare for Wesley next Wednesday.

Mr. Clovis Harris, E. T. N. C. third baseman for 1917, was a happy visitor in Commerce Saturday. Mr. Harris is well known to many of the present students, and his smiling face is always welcome. Come again, Mr. Harris, and become one of us, for we will need your good work on third base and your energetic service in the class room.

Rev. Dilworth, of the First Baptist Church, made a very impressive talk for us in chapel Saturday morning. It was deeply appreciated by the entire faculty and student body.

On Tuesday morning of last week we had the pleasure of having Dr. Alderson, of Greenville, conduct our chapel exercise. He made an excellent address which was an inspiration to us all. Dr. Alderson is widely known and possesses that personality that makes every one who hears him talk determine to grasp the higher things of life. We feel congratulated to have had him with us and hope that we shall be honored by having him visit us many times throughout the year.

The following young men, former students of the College, are now in training at Camp Bowie: J. J. Skinner, Frank Riley, Flave J. McBride, Bob Caton, Willie F. Music, Sergeant Ragland. Each of these young men would appreciate more than any gift a paid up subscription for The East Texan. Send in with your subscription an extra dollar and the name and address of some friend and former student to whom you wish the East Texan sent during the current school year.

Mr. H. R. Bland received a letter from H. E. Ritch, one of our old E. T. N. C. boys. Hugh (as he is known around here) is in E. Segunda, Cal., now. He states that he sees several of the old E. T. N. C. boys who are in training in California real often. Among whom are, Mr. Hudspeth, Tom Morris, Jess Finch, Ed Best, Jess McCasland and Mr. Duncan. We are always glad to hear from any of the E. T. N. C. boys.

W. H. Yarbrough writes us from Rule that he is having a fine year of work. He is superintendent of the Rule school. For the past three summers he has been doing work in Peabody and will soon receive his degree. Mr. Yarbrough is a graduate of the E. T. N. C.

Mr. Charles Akin, of McKinney, was a visitor of the College last week. Mr. Akin formerly attended school here and it will be gratifying to all his friends among the present student body to know he is to become one of us soon.

President R. B. Binnion went to Dallas this afternoon on business and will return tomorrow afternoon.

## Business Manager's Song.

How dear to my heart  
Is the class of subscription,  
When the generous subscriber  
Presents it to view,  
But the one who won't pay  
I refrain from description,  
For perhaps, dear reader,  
That one may be YOU.

Are you an alumnus of the East Texas Normal College? If so, you can serve your own interest in no better way than by lending a hand in placing before the earnest energetic youth of your community the merits of your alma mater. Try distributing a few dozen copies of the East Texan among your friends. It will cost you very little and will help you and us.

Prof. B. H. Miller, former teacher in the E. T. N. C., and loyal supporter of The East Texan, is at Terrell, head of the department of science. It is reported that he has an excellent football team this year.

Mr. Hood, of the third year class, was called home last Tuesday on account of the death of his grandmother. He has the deepest sympathy of both faculty and student body.

Miss Gilchrist (at supper)—The only reason I do not like to eat prunes is that anyone can tell how many I have eaten.

Winnie Wingo—Sure am glad biscuits do not have seed.

Rev. J. W. Hill, the Methodist pastor of this city, made a very interesting talk at chapel last week. Dr. Hill is a frequent and welcome visitor at the college.

Miss Johnson: Miss Connelly, what is the definition of a kiss?

Miss Connelly: It is a noun, both common and proper.

Of course you are reading The East Texan. Why not send in a subscription and have your friends do the same?

Mr. Roy Cass has just returned from home where he was called on account of sickness.

## Our Faculty.

Every former student and friend of the College will be pleased at the personnel of our present faculty, the names of whom follow:

R. B. Binnion, President, loved by all the student body and faculty.

Miss Mary Johnson, Associate Professor of English. Also Dean of Women.

D. F. McCollum, Professor of History.

H. H. J. Fling, Professor of Education.

E. H. Wray, Professor of English. Also Dean of Men.

W. B. Stone, Associate Professor of History.

J. M. Roach, Assistant in Education. Also our Registrar.

C. T. Neu, Assistant in History and Associate Professor of German.

Miss Mildred Mihills, Associate Professor of English.

J. M. Bledsoe, Associate Professor of Mathematics.

A. H. Cowling, Associate Professor of Mathematics.

C. M. Lutz, Associate Professor of Chemistry.

W. F. Lange, Associate Professor of Physics.

Mrs. Edgar Mixon, Associate Professor of Biology.

Miss Ruby Terrill, Associate Professor of Latin.

H. D. Phillips, Associate Professor of Spanish.

Miss Katherine Murrie, Associate Professor of Music.

Miss Edna Spear, Teacher of Reading.

Miss Mary Woodson, Director of Drawing.

Miss Maud S. Dilworth, Director of Physical Education.

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### FOR TRAINING SCHOOL.

C. E. Davis, Principal.

Miss Inez Wurtsbaugh, Grade Teacher.

Miss Mary Gilchrist, Grade Teacher.

Miss Mary Patchel, Grade Teacher.

Each and all of these faculty members are widely known in this and other States. Come join our happy throng and know them.

## AIM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY.

The one dominant aim of the department of history and sociology of the East Texas State Normal College is to prepare students to understand and to solve the problems of citizenship. The great weakness of history teaching of a former day was the failure of the teacher to appreciate the relationship between the history of the past and the life of the present. It was sufficient if students of a past civilization acquired a knowledge of an array of details that they might not be found ignorant of things that people of culture were supposed to know. There was always a backward look; no effort at an interpretation of the problems of the present in terms of the history of the past.

In fact, teachers in general too often fail to see as clearly as they should the relationship that the subject bears to the future life and well being of the student. Unless that relationship is felt and definitely held in view by the teacher, and pursued by him as a goal toward which he should aim, the work will be superficial if not altogether a failure. "In the truest and widest sense, the efficiency of our civilization as a whole is determined by the efficiency of our educational process." There never was a time when such demands were made on our educational system to render a rigid account of the time and money that we spend in the education of our youth. Efficiency is the watchword of twentieth century civilization.

The study of civilization then in preparation for citizenship is one of the greatest subjects that the people of a free country can pursue. The only security that we as a free people can hope for is greater enlightenment in the things that make for citizenship.

It is our aim, therefore, to emphasize just those phases of history and of sociology that point with most definiteness to the life problems of the student. In our course in modern history we are making an effort to gather up the threads of political and economic development that are evidently contributory causes of the great world war. We trace these, as we proceed, to their culminating point, and try to get an unprejudiced view of the immediate

## Joint Meeting of Society Committees.

The young men's society committee met with the committee of the young ladies' society Saturday afternoon and decided to have a social on the evening of November 28th.

The following boys were appointed on the committee on arrangements: W. F. Decker, J. A. Frazier, and Mr. Sparkman. For the young ladies: Miss Mabelle Griffiths and Miss Ruby Randle.

The committees on entertainment are, for the young men: W. F. Decker and E. R. Barton; for the young ladies: Miss Wenna Gill and Enna Wattenbarger. It was decided that the social would be held in the gymnasium.

Mr. Roy Cass has just returned from home where he was called on account of sickness.



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