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EXAMINATION SCHEDULE.

Schedule of examinations for the spring term, 1906. Monday, June 4, at 9:

Group VIII (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10):

Botany, 4, room 91.
Chemistry, 15, Chem. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 2.II, Engin. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 11, Engin. bldg.
Education, 4.I, room 60.
English, 1.IX, room 71.
English, 1.X, room 58.
English, 2.V, room 63.
English, 14, room 99.
French, 7, room 75.
Geology, 11, room 82.
German, A.III, room 44.
German, 82, room 87.
History, 1.II, room 44.
Latin, 3.I, room 81.
Mathematics, 1.V, room 70.
Mathematics, 5, room 70.
Philosophy, 3, room 61.

'06 CACTUS.

A Conservative Review of the 'Varsity Year Book.

The Texan wishes to express the sentiment of the many ex-students who have expressed themselves with regard to The Cactus of 1906. Many letters have been received from the alumni, and there is one common note to them all. They say "it is the best Cactus we have seen in years." Many of them go further and give their reasons for thinking so highly of it. Some emphasize its mechanical excellence. Others stress the excellent judgment shown in the choice of material and in the arrangement.

Every one knows (except an occasional freshman) that The Cactus is a

with the beauties of our old campus, when we can no longer sit with our dearest girl under the mesquite and dangle our feet in the grass, The Cactus of '06 will bring back these pleasant memories as vivid almost as the experiences themselves. We are under everlasting obligations to the editor for these views.

There is another commendable feature about the pictures in The Cactus. They include the pictures of the instructing force of the University. When the pupils go home with their Cactuses there will be scarcely a single father or mother who will not spend some

TEXAS LOSES AGAIN.

O come in, Texas, do!
We're glad to welcome you;
But we're obliged to say
That you cannot win the day;
You showed Missouri U.,
But Tulane took in you.
And you'll be lost
In a freezing frost
When you tackle Baylor U.!

We often fall in football,
Sometimes in baseball too,
Our basketball performers
Can't every time "come through;"
But when you hit Debating
And Oratory too,
Bobody wins from Baylor,
From Bay-lor U.

Pace'll set a pace
The Cobb can't keep,
Bury beef and Worse-ham
Ten feet deep;

Circus Day for University

Everybody Turn Out Tonight

and Have a Good Time

Physics, 1.III, room 74.
Spanish A.VI, room 59.

Monday, June 4, at 2. Group VII (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9):

Civil Engineering, 15, Engin. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 26, Engin. bldg.
English, 1.VII, room 74.
English, 1.VIII, room 74.
English, 2.IV, room 71.
English, 4, room 60.
French, A.II, room 63.
German, 7, room 61.
History, 2.III, room 44.
History, 5, room 44.
Latin, 1.III, room 59.
Mathematics, 1.IV, room 81.
Mathematics, 1.VII, room 58.
Mathematics, 2.IV, Engin. bldg.
Mathematics, 13, room 81.
Mining Engineering, 3, Engin. bldg.
Political Science, 22, room 60.
Spanish, 1.I, room 61.
Zoology, 1, room 70.

Tuesday, June 5, at 9. Group II (Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 10):
Civil Engineering, 2.IV, Engin. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 12, Engin. bldg.
Education, 17, room 75.

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book—not a newspaper or a magazine. There is a newspaper in the University which is supposed to give the news from week to week, and there is a magazine which professes to be literary, and heretofore has been. The Cactus, on the other hand, is a keepsake—not a book for a day. It is eagerly awaited and each owner of a book is especially careful to keep his Cactus so that it may be preserved for future reference and pleasure. It is as such a keepsake that '06 Cactus so distinctly excels other Cactuses.

The Cactus has by some disappointed office-seekers been called an album. It is an album, and it is as such that it has elicited so much praise on the part of the ex-students. The views of the campus are beautiful beyond the power of language to describe, and the appearance of their beauty to us is due solely to the unusual good judgment of the editor. Their excellence is due to the photographer, 'tis true, but they have been just as pretty for years, yet other editors have failed to recognize the appropriateness of giving the students and alumni the advantage of them. After we are gone from the Varsity halls, when we can no longer walk the peripetas and delight our eyes

in looking at the pictures of their child's teachers and nothing in The Cactus will be of more satisfaction to them. It will make them feel more in touch with the University to have seen the face of their teachers.

The few literary pages in The Cactus are filled with clever pieces. "The Herpicides" is an excellent piece of work. It is a drama of University politics which is extremely clever in its conception and beautifully executed. "The Hullabaloo," etc., by Fritz Latham, is about the best piece of literature in The Cactus. It is an excellent piece of poetry, and compares favorably with anything ever before printed in the annuals. "A Political Fable," by one of the University boys, is a thoroughly artistic work. It is very readable and has the important characteristic of verisimilitude. Space forbids going into detail with all the literary pieces. But not one reflects anything but credit on the editor's judgment. They are all readable and are all worth preserving.

Some people have expressed disappointment in the grinds department. Part were disappointed because they were not noticed, part because they were noticed too much and too severely.

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Then see Willie Lofland
Knock 'em silly off-hand.

Leave 'em lying lonely where the
Long Horns sleep.

The above poem is the welcome by which the boys were greeted when they walked into the Carroll Chapel at Baylor last Friday night. It was sung heartily by the aqueous Baptists, who filled the beautiful chapel where the debate was held.

The Texan, wishing to atone for its neglect in failing to get in the article on the Tulane debate, took pains to send one of its editors to Waco that he might write up the debate in the true light. The account which follows is given by an eyewitness, and is therefore a true account—not guess work.

The debate was slated to begin at 8:15, but owing to natural tardiness the speaking did not commence until 8:45.

The debate was opened by Rev. Mr. Pace, pastor of the First Baptist church in Temple. He spoke twenty minutes, showing the need of effective regulation of railroad rates and showing that out of the three means of regulation—private, popular and governmental—the latter was the only effective means. He showed very effectively

wherein the present system of private regulation resulted in great evils to the shippers. He also attempted to show his measure which advocated government regulation would cure some of these evils, taking pains to limit the application of the power conferred to a single unjust case here and there.

The second speaker was Mr. Joe A. Worsham. He spent a good part of his time in answering the argument of the affirmative man, and in showing conclusively that the measure conferred general rate-making power, which the affirmative had tried so hard to deny. The judges afterward told the writer of this article that they were thoroughly convinced of that fact by Mr. Worsham's argument. Yet they failed to comprehend its importance.

The second speaker for Baylor was Mr. Lofland. He was especially forceful. He spoke with more fire than any of the other speakers. He enumerated cases of injustice and made an appeal for the protection of the people against these abuses.

Mr. Cobb closed the main speeches of the debate. When he arose the audience was still as death, and when he began with his deep voice all seemed relieved to know they were easily going to hear every word. He went through his speech without any hesitation, and toward the last he fired up splendidly, holding the audience spell-bound for twenty-two minutes. He spent a few moments at the beginning of his speech in answering some points made by the affirmative. He then showed the evils which would result from the granting of rate-making power into the hands of a commission. First he showed how rates would become inelastic and thereby prevent the useful emergency rate from being put into effect. Then he showed how the adoption of the mileage tariff as a basis for rate-making would result in localizing commerce. Both of these points were left unanswered by the affirmative. Finally he showed how the provision which cut off the review by the court of the unreasonableness of the rate was in itself a defect so serious that it should prevent the adoption of the measure. On this point he rose to his best and showed Baylor that Texas did have some speakers. Some of the professors at Baylor said that Mr. Cobb made the best individual speech of the evening. One of the judges also expressed the same opinion.

The rebuttals had been provided for as follows: Either side could have a single speech of fifteen minutes, or either could have two speeches of eight minutes each. Texas chose the former, Baylor the latter. There was then a question as to whether Baylor should have both speeches together or have Texas in between. But as Texas contended for the rule granting Texas the last say, a compromise was reached which gave Texas a last rebuttal of ten minutes and allowing the extra time on the main speeches. Mr. Worsham rebutted for Texas.

At the close of Mr. Worsham's rebuttal the audience manifested a very narrow and snubbed spirit by hissing the speaker. Even if there had been something to provoke a hiss, it was very astonishing that there was such littleness manifested as to hiss at the visiting team.

But this was not all that was indicative of a narrow, terrapin-like dispo-

great celebration was held after the debate. A reception was held, but not one word was said to our team about it. They were sent in a carriage back to the hotel, and it was not till next morning when asked by some one how they enjoyed the banquet that they heard there was such a thing. This treatment may characterize Baylor, but it certainly does not characterize the Varsity. Let Baylor ask Missouri and Tulane how they were treated if she wants to learn broad-mindedness.

It is very hard to say what the Oratorical Association will do next year in regard to debating with Baylor. There was very strong opposition to entering with them this year, because of their former conduct. A majority was strongly against returning to a contest, but the measure was put through by its ardent advocates on a night when the great political caucus in January was engaging most of the association's members. Hence the return was all largely an accident.

If Texas does enter another contest with Baylor, she asks only one thing—a liberal, friendly intercourse. Our boys thought all things that appeared other than liberal were merely oversights.

THE RUSK BANQUET.

For some time the Rusk Literary Society has been closing its annual labors with little or no money in the treasury. But a month ago it was foreseen that a large surplus would be on hand at the end of this term. Accordingly, a "squandering committee" was appointed to suggest uses to which it might be put; and, as a result, an elaborate banquet will be given, the details of which were arranged last Saturday night. It will be given on the Saturday night of May 26 at Brackenridge Hall, with Mr. Reed acting as toastmaster. A pleasant time is expected.

While it is true that this is the first social of any kind that the Rusk has ever attempted, yet it is hoped that it will become a custom of the future. Believing in its permanency, the society has arranged to make the most of it by inviting only those who are at present active members, or who have paid all assessments to date. This will be a great inducement, it is hoped, for members to remain in the society until the close of the year, instead of dropping out at the beginning of the spring term, as they usually do. Of course some, other than members, will be invited, including the president of the Athenaeum, Mr. Montgomery, and a number of Rusk alumni. Toasts will be made by various persons, interspersed by a cigar, a dish of cream, or "another course." It will be great, or it will not be Rusk.

The Rusk program last Saturday night was possibly the best since the fall term. The debate was on the "Blanket Primary," a subject recently before the called session of the Legislature. The debaters—Messrs. Crawford and Wilson, affirmative, and Minton and Davis, negative—were well prepared and made very, very creditable speeches. If the Rusk is dying, it is dying with an awful long breath. I don't believe in slang—we should "cut it out"—but the Rusk is really coming across.

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English, 1.III, room 63.
English, 2.III, room 44.
English, 20, room 53.
French, 1, room 71.
Geology, 12, room 82.
German, 1.I, room 70.
German, 142, room 58.
Greek, 2, room 99.
History, 1.I, room 59.
Latin, 1.I, room 87.
Mathematics, 1.II, room 81.
Mathematics, 3.III, room 44.
Mining Engineering, 2 and 12, Engin. bldg.
Physics, 1.I, room 74.
Political Science, 39, room 60.
Spanish, 2, room 61.
Zoology, 9, room 91.

Tuesday, June 5, at 2. Group XII (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 3):
Botany, 7, room 74.
Greek, 6, room 99.
Latin, 6 and 9, room 87.

Wednesday, June 6, at 9. Group IX (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 11):
Chemistry, 1, room 74.
Civil Engineering, 2.III, Engin. bldg.
Education, 5, room 91.
Electrical Engineering, 1, Engin. bldg.
English, 1.XI, room 59.
English, 1, XII, room 63.
English, 1.XV, room 61.
English, 3, room 71.
English, 17, room 63.
Geology, 18, Engin. bldg.
German, 76, room 59.
History, 1.III, room 44.
History, 6, room 44.
Latin, 3.II, room 87.
Latin, 12, room 99.
Mathematics, 1.VI, room 70.
Political Science, 30, room 60.
Political Science, 58, room 60.
Spanish, A.IV, room 58.

Wednesday, June 6, at 2. Group VI (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3):
English, 1.XIV, room 81.
Spanish, 2 and 4, room 70.

Thursday, June 7, at 9. Group III (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11):
Botany, 11, room 91.
Chemistry, 3, Chem. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 2.I, Engin. bldg.
Education, 1.II, room 44.
Electrical Engineering, 3, Engin. bldg.
English, 1.IV, room 60.
French, 2, room 59.
German, A.II, room 59.
German, 28, room 37.
History, 2.I, room 71.
History, 3, room 70.
Latin, 1.II, room 87.
Mathematics, 1.III, room 61.
Mathematics, 3.I, room 58.
Mathematics, 3.II, room 81.
Physics, 1.II, room 74.
Political Science, 43, room 75.
Spanish, A.II, room 63.

Thursday, June 7, at 2. Group XI (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 2):
Chemistry, 2, Chem. bldg.
Education, 12, room 71.
Latin, 2.I, room 79.
Latin, 2.II, room 79.

Latin, 13, room 87.
Zoology, 4, room 91.

Friday, June 8, at 9. Group IV (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12):
English, 1.V, room 59.
English, 1.VI, room 71.
English, 1.XIII, room 81.
English, 6, room 63.
French, A.I, room 61.
French, 8, room 75.
Geology, 1, room 44.
German, 109, room 60.
Greek, 1, room 99.
History, 2.II, room 70.
Greek, 2.II, room 70.
Mathematics, 12, room 33.
Philosophy, 18, room 44.
Political Science, 1, room 74.

Friday, June 8, at 2. Group V (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2):
Chemistry, 2, Chem. bldg.
Geology, 16, room 82.
Latin, 2.III, room 71.
Mathematics, 6, room 81.
Mining Engineering, 14, Engin. bldg.

Saturday, June 9, at 9. Group I (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9):
Bibliography Library.
Botany, 1, room 71.
Civil Engineering, 6, Engin. bldg.
Civil Engineering, 16, Engin. bldg.
Education, 2.I, room 74.
Electrical Engineering, 10, Engin. bldg.
English, 1.I, room 63.
English, 1.II, room 60.
English, 2.I, room 44.
English, 2.II, room 44.
Geology, 7, room 82.
German, A.I, room 59.
German, 64, room 70.
Greek, A.B, room 99.
History, 4, room 70.
Latin, 5 and 8, room 87.
Mathematics, 1.I, room 81.
Mathematics, 1.VIII, room 58.
Mathematics, 2.I, Engin. bldg.
Mathematics, 2.II, Engin. bldg.
Mathematics, 11, room 81.
Spanish, A.I, room 61.

Saturday, June 9, at 2. Group X (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12):

Botany, 12, room 91.
Education, 4.II, room 74.
Electrical Engineering, 7, Engin. bldg.
English, 1.XVI, room 63.
English, 9, room 61.
Geology, 9, room 82.
German, A.V, room 70.
German, 1.II, room 70.
German, 45, room 58.
History, 2.IV, room 44.
Latin, 4, room 87.
Mathematics, 10, room 58.
Philosophy, 30, 31, room 60.
Physics, 20 and 21, room 44.
Spanish, A.V, room 71.
Spanish, 1.II, room 71.
Zoology, 8, room 91.

W. J. BATTLE,

Chairman Schedule Committee.

May 21, 1906.

Junior Law McDowell, after inspecting the boilers, engine and intake wheel of the ice plant: "Well, for once I have seen a plant operated solely by water power." (Note—The plant is on the river and what he mistook for a water wheel was a steam pump.)

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THE FINAL ISSUE.

With this, the thirty-first issue of The Texan, we complete our task for the year, and relinquish the key to the "Texan Box" to our successors. That our efforts during our administration have resulted in a worthy edition of the paper we do not say; we do not boast that we have pleased any one at any time; but we do assert that we have done our best. We have tried to place the weekly student happenings before our readers promptly and accurately, and have endeavored to voice—not our personal opinions—but the sentiments of the whole student body. It has been our earnest desire to make The Texan what it should be, and trust that our efforts have not been entirely unsatisfactory.

We wish to thank the president, the faculty, Registrar Williams, Miss Dunham and the many students who have contributed to our columns for valuable and appreciated assistance, and to express our gratitude toward our subscribers and our advertisers who have supported the paper so splendidly.

The editor-in-chief wishes to express his thanks to the management for their many courtesies, to the faithful associates for their painstaking labors, and to a long-suffering faculty and student body for their forbearance and generous encouragement.

The books of The Texan, The Magazine and The Cactus are to be closed soon, and the managers desire to straighten up all accounts before the books go in to the Students' Council. Promptness on the part of the various subscribers will save the managers a deal of trouble.

In closing the 1905-06 edition of The Texan, we wish to bespeak the support of the student body in behalf of next year's editor; it is practically impossible to edit a satisfactory paper without the hearty co-operation of the students, and we wish to see every possible influence brought to bear to make the publication next session the best college paper we have ever had.

Here is a proposition for the students. It is the earnest desire of the authorities, and should be the wish of each student, too, that the University increase in its number of students next year. This increase in attendance can be brought about by the students dur-

ing vacation, if they realize their influence. If each student made up his mind to "talk up" the University during the vacation days, and set his mind on getting at least one new student to return with him, there would be such an addition to our institution next year in strength and popularity as no University has ever experienced.

The president has prepared blanks which may be obtained from the registrar, upon which students may fill out the names of prospective students and have catalogues and other literature sent them. Get some of these blanks and hand in to Mr. Williams the names and addresses of any of your friends who intend going away to any college next year.

WHAT THE MAGAZINE WILL HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE CACTUS.

In the next issue of The Magazine (unless it is cut out in proof reading on account of the appearance of this article) there will appear a criticism of The Cactus which purports to be absolutely "impartial." Since this is the last issue of The Texan this year we can not refrain from taking this opportunity of pointing out to the readers of The Magazine the real weight that should be given to that article. This is not written to defend or even to discuss The Cactus, but to show certain people in the University that under the circumstances they can not pose as unprejudiced critics and fool the student body.

We must confess that we were not a little surprised when we learned that the review would appear in The Magazine. There is a certain amount of inter-publication comity, so to speak, that exists, or is supposed to exist, between The Texan, The Cactus and The Magazine. The editors of each realize the immense amount of drudgery that such tasks involve, the indifference with which their efforts are met, and the criticism that awaits them, no matter how faithfully they work. With this in mind the '06 Cactus has neither charged The Texan nor The Magazine for space. It is to be noted that the latter publication is of no benefit to

The Cactus not even as an advertising medium. The Cactus went even further and gave to The Magazine all the material it rejected—which incidentally may account for the vast improvement in the last two numbers. With this in view and remembering also that The Cactus with great difficulty refrained from publishing any grinds on The Magazine—a temptation particularly strong when we consider what excellent grindable material it has afforded this year—it was but natural that The Cactus board should expect, if not praise, at least justice at its hands. But its course has been different. Two students known to be prejudiced against The Cactus, were selected to write an "impartial" criticism.

The editors of the '06 Cactus realize its limitations, and are glad to hear any just criticism of the annual, and will not feel any offense at unjust criticism provided it comes from a fair source; this, they think, is due their efforts. Nor is their objection then so great provided the critics will come above board and fearlessly state their criticism, and not, as has been done in this case, assume as it were the guise

of a friend in order that their shafts may be the more effective. Their review, couched in smooth and mild terms as it is, might have had the desired effect with the student body had they not been so indiscreet as to sign the piece with the initials E. C. and R. R. S. It is not difficult to divine who the authors are, especially when we take into account their relations with The Cactus and their close personal and political friendship.

Their first clause and explanation is an effort to discredit The Cactus, and, we must admit, is ingenious: "While it does not show the marked advancement and improvement over last year that the University shows for the same period," etc. Continuing they speak of the "brilliance (the engravings) in its execution." After calling attention to the fact that the board attributes all the faults of The Cactus to Fate, and that the board does not give Fate credit for the merit it contains, they speak of the annual as the "unlucky" Cactus. Yes, unlucky; unlucky indeed in being the object of the censure of such well known and broad minded critics. After paying their respects to the "Hall of Fame," they say, "Brevity is its most appreciable feature." To our learned critics it should be the most appreciable feature, for if it had been any longer both of the critics would certainly have been included—for how could there be a complete Hall of Fame in the University of Texas without containing the busts of E. C. and R. R. S.?

"With the exception of the 'Hullabaloo with old Dr. Pugh,' 'The Herpicides,' and 'Genesis,' there is no literature in The Cactus." We humbly beg to differ with our learned critics, and ask them to reconsider their opinion and include as literature "A Political Fable," which possesses one great claim to being literature—truth. With the exception of these, they say, there is no literature in the book "from the standpoint that literature is something readable." It all depends on who is doing the reading. The editor, they say, made an unpardonable mistake in selecting the beauty pages. We respectfully refer these remarks to the young ladies who figured on these pages for reply.

While eagerly perusing this review, and eagerly seeking to find some one point in which we had pleased our painstaking critics, to our joy we find: "This Cactus excels in engravings," but what was our dismay when they added the explanation that of course this was due to the large amount of money at the disposal of the management. The

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remarkable criticism closes with the assertion that The Cactus "stands well in comparison with previous volumes." Thank your, kind sirs! We were satisfied all along that your final decision would be in our favor, for we could see all along that you were our friends and would gladly take up for us if you could, but that the immense failure of The Cactus this year compelled you from your innate love of justice to tell some plain though heartrending truths.

Moral: You can't fool all the people all the time.

Skidoo to the Circus tonight!

CHANGE IN FACULTY.

There will be several changes in the faculty next year. Mr. Barker of the history department goes to Harvard, on a year's leave, in the fall to take up his work on his doctorate. His place here will be taken by Mr. Charles Ramsdell, M. A., '04. Mr. Ramsdell has been doing graduate work at Columbia, where he held a fellowship in history. Mr. Kuehne, instructor in physics, will be absent next year on leave. He will resume work on his doctor's degree at the University of Chicago.

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PERSONAL.

The friends of Dr. Henry David Gray will be glad to learn that he has been made associate professor of English at Leland Stanford University.

Leon Goodman has gone to San Antonio to attend the wedding of his sister.

The last informal german of the year will be tomorrow night. A large crowd is expected.

Mr. Clarence Weller is home again for the summer.

Mr. Hearne of Georgetown spent Sunday and Monday with his Phi Delta Theta brothers here.

The Ashbel held its last meeting of this year Wednesday afternoon. The program consisted of the reading of the play "Paola and Francesca," by Stephen Philip.

Miss Laura Blocker is expected in the city during commencement.

Miss Julia Armstrong will visit Miss Steiner during the first weeks of June.

Miss Anne Townes will return home from Bryn Mawr during the last part of May.

Miss Jean Borum is visiting the Kappa Alpha Thetas.

Miss Nora Hummel is expected at the Pi Beta Phi House next Monday to stay until after commencement.

Miss Jewel White is visiting Miss Brackenridge.

Miss Helen Hood spent the latter part of last week in Galveston.

Miss Rosalie Battle will spend commencement with Grace Hill.

Miss Bessie Dreier will will with Mrs. Haynie during commencement.

Miss Jeanne Borroum is visiting at the Kappa Alpha Theta House.

Mr. Clifton Franklin, who has been at home on account of illness, will return

on a visit in the near future. His many friends will be glad to know of his great improvement.

Miss Beulah Schield is visiting Mrs. Walden.

Mr. Tom Devereaux Cobbs has just returned from a short visit to his home in San Antonio.

Mr. Joe Hoggsett is expected to be in Austin in a few weeks to attend the commencement festivities.

Last Tuesday evening Miss Eleanor Brackenridge entertained informally at dinner the following guests: Misses Jewel White, Mae Phila Borden, Charlie Thurmond and Messrs. Billy Blocker, Tom Cobbs, Herbert Walden and Frank Lanham.

You can't afford to miss the Circus; if you aren't in it, "you aren't in it."

'06 CACTUS.

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ly. But the general opinion is that good judgment has been displayed in the selection and arrangement of the grinds. Except in two or three well-deserved instances they are not very severe. And no one can complain of the great amount of space given them.

The mechanical work is the best we have had since McFarland's Cactus. The engraving is the best we have ever had. Of course this latter improvement is due to the extra money at the disposal of the business manager. But the credit for this excellent work is due to both the editor and the business manager. The unique arrangement of the pictures on the checkered background and the painstaking arrangement of all the pictures cannot but attract attention and indicate good taste.

The Texan does not feel like criticising the beauty pages. They are lovely enough to be placed in the annual of any college in the land. But their appearance in The Cactus does by no means mean that those eight girls are the only pretty girls in the 'Varsity. Many of the most beautiful "co-eds" very humbly declined to have their pictures appear. We are all proud to have these girls' pictures in our Cactus, and he who criticises their appearance shows his good (?) taste and raising.

On the whole The Texan must say "Thanks to Mr. Buckley for the best and most appropriate selection and arrangement of material for a Cactus which we have ever had." And further, The Texan thanks Mr. Parrish on behalf of the student body for the excellent execution of the work, both in mechanical design and in its promptness of appearance. We are sure every student is proud to own one, and will always find pleasure in perusing its pages in after years.

ENGINEERING LOCALS.

B. M. Williams left several days ago for Ennis, where he has accepted an engineering position.

John Holman and Waggener, both junior engineers, left Monday night for Nicaragua, where they have secured employment with a construction company.

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TEXANS AT CORNELL.

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Texas is fairly well represented at Cornell, there being twenty students in attendance in the different colleges of the University this session. Arranged by classes there are seven graduates, three seniors, five juniors, three sophomores and two freshmen. Arranged by colleges there are three in Arts, three in Agriculture, five in Civil Engineering, one in Horticulture, and eight in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. Out of a total of twenty-three Graduate Fellowships four are held by Texans.

San Jacinto Day was commemorated by an informal banquet given by the Texas Club in honor of two Texas girls. After a very delightful repast, W. D. Masterson, toastmaster, proposed the following toasts, which were responded to in a patriotic vein as follows: "The Day We Celebrate," Miss Ethel Rather; "To the Ladies," W. G. Carroll; "Texas Poems," J. E. Colt, and "Texas, as Seen by an Engineer," W. F. Martin.

After the toasts those present repaired to the reception rooms and spent a very delightful hour in listening to vocal and instrumental music appropriate to the occasion. Those present were: Misses Rather and True, Texas; Miss Fraser, Virginia; Misses Fowles, Fletcher, Overbaugh, Tompkins and White, Ithaca; and Messrs. Burgoon, Masterson, Martin, Kosminsky, Abrahams, Woods, Schultz, Cochran, Geissler, Iorns, Colt, Olds and Fredericks. The patronesses were Mesdames W. N. Tompkins and A. H. Platts, Ithaca. The most notable toast of the evening was on "Texas, as Seen by an Engineer," made by W. F. Martin.

At a recent meeting of the Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Xi Honorary Scientific Society three Texans were honored by being elected to membership. Eligibility to membership is based on natural aptitude for original research in pure and applied science, and nominations for membership are made by the University faculty.

Those elected were C. E. Burgoon, Houston; J. E. Colt, San Antonio, and W. F. Martin, Nacogdoches. Mr. Burgoon graduated from A. & M. College, '95, was assistant professor of mechanical engineering, 1896 to 1901, and an employe in the maintenance of way of the Southern Pacific Railroad from 1901 to 1904. He received the degree of Mechanical Engineering from Cornell in 1905, and now holds a graduate fellowship in that department, and is a candidate for a Master's Degree in June, for which he will present a thesis on "The Specific Heat of Superheated Steam." Mr. Colt graduated from A. & M. College, N. C., in 1903, received the degree of M. S. in Agriculture from Cornell in 1905 and now holds a graduate fellowship in Agriculture, and is a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in June, 1907. Mr. Martin graduated from the University of Texas as Bachelor of Science in 1903 and as

graduate scholarship in civil engineering at Cornell last year and now holds the fellowship and is a candidate for the degree of Master of Civil Engineering in June, for which he will present a thesis on "The Effect of the Width of the Channel of Approach on the Flow of Water Over Weirs." At present he is an employe in the hydrographic branch of the United States Geological Survey.

SOCIETY.

The Kappa Kappa Gammas gave a most enjoyable reception Tuesday night to their many student friends in honor of the Seta Tau Alpha Fraternity lately installed in the University. The chapter lodge was beautifully decorated and the charming hostesses scored another social victory.

The Senior girls gave their annual trolley ride to the Juniors last night. They all met at the University and had an enjoyable ride over all the roads in the city, after which they went to Cornwell's, where delightful refreshments were served. It is notable that there is just an equal number of Junior and Senior girls this session, so every detail of the entertainment went off splendidly.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. had their usual interesting meeting Sunday afternoon. The attendance was good. Unfortunately for those present Judge Wilkinson, who was to address the Y. M. C. A., was out of town, and so could not be with us. Yet all enjoyed the devotional service which was held. The association had a business meeting also.

On next Sunday Professor F. M. Bralley, chief clerk in the State Superintendent's office, will deliver an address. Professor Bralley is an experienced man and will say something worth hearing. Mr. E. P. Collins of the University will render a violin solo. Let every member come out for the treat and bring his friends with him.

PICNIC WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

The picnic held under the auspices of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Association was highly enjoyed by every one present. Delightful refreshments were served, and for three hours over 500 students made the woods ring with their college songs and yells. No one present seemed to be more than 10 years old. In fact, only the chaperons were allowed to show any formality at all. The students united every effort to make the affair one that will be looked forward to annually, but really out so enjoyable as this one should come oftener than once a year. There is no reason why the students should not go out for two or three short picnics like this every year.

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THE ROSS-ROTAN CONTEST WON BY MARSHALL

The fifth annual Ross-Rotan contest took place recently in the parlors of the Driskill hotel. It was a most enthusiastic contest. The speakers had their orations prepared so well, both in composition and delivery, that it was a close contest. The judges finally cast two votes for Mr. John B. Marshall for first place, and one for Mr. Eugene L. Harris. The other three contestants, who won the privilege of speaking on this occasion, were Messrs. R. D. Jones, Charles D. Wallace and L. L. Montgomery.

Mr. Jones, who spoke on "The Silent Minstrel," had a well rounded oration. He was gentle in his delivery, which was in keeping with such a subject.

Mr. Wallace, in his speech on "The Texas Southerner," brought to our minds many pleasant recollections. His oration was a well polished one, such as could not have been composed without previous years of work along this line.

Mr. Marshall caught the attention of his hearers by the title "A Defense of Wealth," which was looked forward to with much curiosity. His points were realistic through the specific examples which he took. He showed with such clearness that certain moneyed men of this country who have amassed their large fortunes through rebates and protective tariffs had either to accept the benefits or lose their fortunes. His voice was so deep and his gestures so pleasing that his audience drank in the words of this orator with a feeling of sincere contentment.

Mr. Montgomery, who spoke after Mr. Marshall, spoke under the difficulty of following the strongest speaker of the evening. His oration on "The Evolution of Nations" was one which showed his familiarity with modern, mediaeval and ancient history. It was a well organized oration, and through the systematic way in which he kept his ideas before his audience it was easy to keep the entire speech in mind.

Mr. Harris was considered by the judges to be a close second. He spoke on "Russia and Japan—The Results of Two Civilizations." It was an oration that vividly rehearsed the contrasts between the two nations. His bearing, and the earnestness with which he appealed to the judges showed that he is a speaker over whom the victor may well be proud to have won.

After the decision of the judges, forty members of the Athenaeum Literary Society left the parlors and seated themselves at an elaborately decorated banquet table. Professor E. D. Shurter was presiding officer at the contest, and Judge B. D. Tarlton toastmaster at the banquet. Among the other invited guests were Professor E. T. Miller, Judge Victor L. Brooks and Judge R. L. Penn, who acted as judges in the contest; Hon. George S. Wright, Dr. Samuel Peterson and Mr. Albert Columbus Dulaney.

This contest and banquet is an annual affair held by the Athenaeum Society. Mr. Rotan donates a handsome matchcase to the successful orator. Through his generosity this society is enabled to spend as pleasant and profitable an evening as is in the Varsity calendar.

GLEE CLUB.

Club Elects Officers for Next Year.

At the last regular meeting of the University Glee Club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. L. Toombs, President; A. M. McAfee, secretary; Roy L. Rather, business manager, and Paul V. Montgomery, assistant business manager. The retiring officers are: Dick P. Wall, president; A. L. Ware, secretary, and A. L. Toombs, business manager.

The success of the club this year was due more than anything else to the excellent training it received from its director, Dr. D. A. Penick. Dr. Penick has been closely connected with the Glee Club ever since its organization, and has devoted his time to it purely from the interest he had in the club and the pleasure he derived from it. The club regrets very much that his work will render it impossible for him to continue as director of the club for next year, but is confident that the music committee will provide a competent director.

Financially the club is still a little in the hole, and to meet its indebtedness another trip was taken this week. The club sang in Taylor Wednesday night and Rockdale Thursday night, returning this morning in time to participate in the Charity Circus.

It is a little early to say much definite with reference to next year's club, except that the University is expected to have the best club it has ever had. Some of its best singers will not return, it is true, but there are many splendid voices in the University which were not in the club this year, but will be next year. Especially are good singers invited to be on hand at the first meeting next October, as the management promises one of the most pleasant trips that has ever been taken by any of the Glee Clubs for the preceding years. It is the intention to take a trip through South Texas, an entirely new section as far as the Glee Club is concerned, and some of the probable towns which will be made are San Antonio, Gonzales, Cuero, Victoria and Houston. So if you can sing, don't fail to be on hand next Fall.

FRANCIS' COLTS 1, HAYLEAGUERS 2.

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Hayleaguers: 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2 5 2
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The Hayleaguers defeated Francis' Colts last Thursday by the score of 2 to 1. Captain Francis made the circuit in the fifth inning for his aggregation, and that was all they made. At the beginning of the seventh the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Francis' Colts, but in that inning Smith, first man up for Hayleaguers, hit to left field fence for two bases, and was followed by Witherspoon, who hit a two bagger and scored Smith for the first run for the Hayleaguers. Then Tarlton got a hit and scored Witherspoon for the last run of the game, but enough to win by a score of 2 to 1. Tarlton pitched a good game for Hayleaguers, and was given good support by his teammates. The same two teams will play again Saturday at 4:30 at Clark field. Everybody come out and see a good game.

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But remember he is slightly "prone to growl."

The gym is never swept.

The bathroom's poorly kept;

The locker-room atmosphere needs salt (?)

The campus, yes, indeed,

Looks as one solid week—

But bear in mind he's good at "findin' fault."

On the baseball team he romps;

On the track boys he stomps;

Says the heads of all the managers are thick;

That this year all the runts

"Athletically" do stunts—

But I tell you he's "sorter 'clined to kick."

He doesn't like the band,

Its music's second hand;

In the Glee Club when they sing they "sorter wheeze;"

Y. M. C. A.'s dead, you know,

Elevator, oh, so slow!

And again I say he's "rather hard to please."

The Cactus, ah, begee!

Pulled two big "bones" from me;

(I'd like to own a few shares in the stock!)

The Magazine is poor,

So's The Texan, to be sure—

Isn't it strange how some fellows "like to knock."

He regrets the time he spends

With his little set of friends,

No matter "what they start" he 'gins to mumble.

Not one of them need try

To take well in his eye.

For sure, it seems sometimes he "has to grumble."

In fact he raises sand,

Can cuss to beat the band,

And thinks the things you do are really shocking;

Though you try on bended knees

You'll always fail to please.

This fellow, 'cause he's "habited to knocking."

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