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ONE OF THE MOST ENJOYABLE
AFFAIRS OF THE YEAR.

NO BANQUET BEVERAGES

Some members of the faculty, realizing that a more intimate mutual acquaintance and more good-fellowship and congeniality are desirable even for the faculty, recently fathered the move for social gatherings for such purposes. They managed to overcome the usual apathy of that dignified body to such an exertion, and collected about thirty of the sixty eligibles in the dining room of B hall last Saturday night, and pulled off a smoker—minus the customary smoker beverages.

No toasts were allowed, at least none were indulged in. Possibly this plan was arranged for fear that some one would want to tell about "The Simple Primeness of Sanskrit," "The Twinkling of Centrosomes," or "Whether Transverse Diameter Canine Alveolus of Borophagus Diversideus Measures Thirteen Millimeters or Eighteen Millimeters," or some such edifying subject.

R hall's excellent chef prepared the following menu for the occasion:

Oysters on the Half-Shell.
Blue Ribbon Celery.
Sliced California Tomatoes.
Bouillon en Tasse.
Queen Olives.
Salted Almonds.
Cheese Straws.
Tenderloin of Trout a la Tartar.
Shoe String Potatoes.
Breast of Turkey, Cranberry Sauce.
Apple Salad.
Fruit Punch.
Mushroom Omelette.
Assorted Cakes.
White Mountain Ice Cream.
French Bread.
American Cheese.
Cafe Noir.
Cigars.

Those present were: Judge Clark, Dr. Garrison, Simonds, Taylor, Benedict, Porter, Mezes, Schoch, Scott, Bolton, Mather, Fay, Cameron, Montgomery, Primer, Huberich, Fite, Prof. Shurter, Messrs. Kuehne, Bantel, Endreas, Reed, Barker, Miller, Gray, Griffith, Butte, Windsor, Worrell, Martin, Sewell, Johnson and McInnis.

The affair was most delightful and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The fact that the feast was not Bacchanalian in any sense of the word, did not tend to dampen the ardor nor dull the pleasure of those present. Ye staid and sedate members of ye most worthy faculty puffed away on the "talismans that makes all men brothers," and for the time being failed to remember their many trials and tribulations. Everybody departed at a decent hour, and so far no bad reports have been heard.

It is the intention of those in power to continue these banquets, giving one each month. The object is to promote good fellowship among the members of the faculty, to bring them together, throw away a few hours having a real good time. Next time let every member of the faculty be present. Cease "teaching the young idea to shoot," cease for a few moments, in your pursuit of knowledge. Come down from your perch and mingle as brothers. Gather a few rosebuds while ye may. Remember, "Old Time is a-flying."

CACTUS.

The attention of the various classes, fraternities, clubs and organizations in the University is called to the fact that all Cactus stuff must be in by the 15th of February. This date is not made to inconvenience anyone, but it is absolutely essential that stuff be in at that time in order that the Cactus be gotten out on time. This means that the photographer should take your picture NOW. He must have time to do his work, and any delay on your part will cause him extra delay in view of the increased work he now has. Class poets

and historians should brush the cobwebs from their classic brains and prepare something rare and racy for the readers of the '04 Cactus. Let the grinders prepare the mill, for the harvest is bountiful. Jolly your friends, pass your enemies by in silence.

Attention is also called to the fact that money for all space which is to be paid for must be paid in advance. Obviously, this rule must be enforced strictly as a matter of protection to the management. Collecting from classes, etc., is not like collecting from individuals, so the money must come first.

Mr. J. Sid O'Keefe will assist in the management of the '04 Cactus.

SIGMA NU INITIATION

One of the most delightful banquets of the season was that given by the John H. Reagan Chapter of the Sigma Nu Phi Fraternity at the Driskill Hotel, Saturday night, January 30, in honor of newly initiated members. The menu was elaborate and well ordered. It was interspersed with and followed by some eloquent responses to toasts. As the fraternity is exclusively of law students, all the toasts except the first bore upon lawyers and the law.

The toasts were: "The Fraternity," responded to by Mr. W. P. McGinnis; "Our Model, Jno. H. Reagan," by J. P. Linton; "The Lawyer as a Citizen," by W. J. True; "Law and Lawyers," Wm. A. Cooke; "The Old Style Lawyer," Judge L. J. Storey, and "Legal Ethics," by Judge Yancey Lewis.

The initiates were W. D. Scarbrough, L. E. Raspberry, A. E. Scott, Oran M. Wroe, Joe J. Averitte, Sid J. O'Keefe, C. D. Wallace and I. J. Curtsinger. The guests of honor were Hon. L. J. Storey, Judge Yancey Lewis, Judge John C. Townes, Dr. C. H. Huberich, Ex-Gov. F. R. Lubbock, W. J. True, G. N. Lytle, and D. A. Frank.

Hon. Jno. H. Reagan was to have been present and have responded to a toast, but on account of sickness could not leave his home in Palestine. Judge W. S. Simkins was absent for the same reason.

The menu was as follows:
Oysters on Half Shell
Salted Almonds
Epicurean Sweet Pickles
Chicken Gumbo a la Creole
Sliced Tomatoes
Tenderloin Trout, Tartar Sauce
Shoestring Potatoes
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Braised Tenderloin a la Financiere
French Peas
Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Asparagus
Lobster Salad en Mayonnaise
Ice Cream Assorted Cakes
Cheese Coffee
Punch, Cigars.

CO-OP. MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the directors and stockholders of the Co-operative Society of the University next Wednesday afternoon, February 10, 1904, in room 70, at 4 o'clock. All stockholders and students are invited to attend this meeting. There will be an election of directors and managers and incidentally Dr. Benedict will make a report about the "Co-op." and the Post Office for the past year. Everyone is invited to come out and cuss the Co-op. and the Post Office if they have any complaint to register.

PRIZES AWARDED.

The committee having in charge the awarding of the Sons of Hermann German scholarships met last Saturday and awarded the scholarships to the following successful competitors: Miss Lina Perlitz, Miss Edna Hofstetter, Mr. Otto E. Schultz.

The Glee Club trip has been postponed until after the March exams. All wishing to try for places in the Club should present themselves right away. There are several vacancies to be filled.

GOVERNOR O. M. ROBERTS' COURTSHIP

A VALUABLE LETTER OBTAINED
BY PRESIDENT PRATHER,
WHILE ON HIS RECENT
TRIP TO NEW OR-
LEANS.

THE LETTER IN FULL DETAIL

At the meeting of the National Historical Association in New Orleans, during the Christmas holidays, President Prather met Mrs. Owen, wife of Hon. Thos. M. Owen, director of the department of archives and history of the State of Alabama, and learning from her that she had an original letter from Governor Roberts giving an account of his early courtship, requested that she send him a copy of it.

In transmitting the copy, Mrs. Owen says:

"The letter, given in full below, was a reply to a request from me for his reminiscences of Tuscaloosa social life during his student days.

"This autobiographical recital of a Christmas courtship, almost a half century afterwards, is quite equal in suggestiveness to some of the best short stories of modern fiction.

"The figures of that sturdy young mountain youth, booted and spurred; of the mountain maid, 'the prettiest girl in all that mountain country, and I thought the best,' sitting with her mother and two sisters around the fireplace doing some sewing, and rising at his request to follow him into the garden, 'where there was not a rose or green thing;' the two curious, mischievous sisters peeping from the upstairs window 'to see what was up;' the splendid generosity of the young lover, demanding no reply to his declaration, binding his faith to her by confession, yet leaving her free from admission or pledge; the almost incredible statement that 'she said not a word,' and the naive finale, 'and I never quit loving her,' are situations affording endless interest to all who have dramatic and artistic temperaments.

"It needs, just as the letter stands unaffected, unconscious of style, unsuspecting of perpetuation or notoriety, the simple annals of a Christmas courtship, no elaboration to commend it to your interest."

Austin, Texas, March 13, 1804.

Mrs. Thomas M. Owen.

Dear Madam—I received your kind letter of the 9th, and regret that I am not able to comply with your request satisfactorily. I came to the University a rude boy from the mountains in St. Clair county, and was there during four sessions, from the 13th of February, 1833, to about the middle of December, 1836. College boys then usually boarded at the Steward's Hall, and had but little social intercourse with the families that resided in Tuscaloosa.

True, I went to dancing school, and parties occasionally, and was mainly in that way acquainted with many of the girls of the city, and, to tell you the truth, liked some of them very much; but I can not say that I loved them very much, as I probably would have done, if it had not been that I had left my sweetheart back in the mountains, the prettiest girl in all that mountain country, and I thought the best, as she was up there waiting for me two years until I could get my education and a profession. We lived together forty-six years, less fifteen days, and I never regretted that she waited for me.

I will tell you why she waited for me. I spent Christmas week at home, and the time came that I had to go back to school, and on Monday morning the horse was saddled and my clothes were packed, and my spurs were on my boots, but something was lacking, and I could not start. I had long wanted to do it but never had told her what I wanted. I

walked, spurs, leggins, overcoat and all, right to her father's house, and upon entering it, found her and her mother and two sisters sitting around the fireplace doing some sewing. Without stopping, except to say "Good morning," I said: "Frances, please walk with me in the garden." She got up and followed me; her sisters ran up stairs to look out to see what was up. There was not a rose or green thing in the garden. We took seats in a little framework for vines to run on. I told her that I could not go away without telling her that I wanted to marry her when I got through my schooling—that was all. I did not want her to answer me then. She said not a word, and I carried her back to the room she left, and walked through it, not one of the girls or the mother looking up at me as I walked through the room and out of the house. You may say that was a very rude thing for a youth of twenty to do, and so it was. But the earnestness of it, and the resolve that could make me do such a thing, they knowing me well to have been a rather modest, studious boy, impressed her, who knew that I loved her, and her alone, for years back, and it impressed the whole family, and I never heard that she or they thought it was something that I ought not to have done. So she waited for me, and we had many pleasures together through life, and I never quit loving her. Respectfully,
O. M. ROBERTS.

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THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE UNIVERSITY PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST.

CALENDAR OF CONTESTS

For the purpose of uniformity from year to year, the following rules and regulations shall hereafter obtain in public speaking events to be participated in solely by students of the University, such rules and regulations subject to change by majority vote of the Oratorical Association, upon recommendation of the Debating Council.

The public contests in speaking, and dates of same, shall be as follows:

(1) An Inter-Literary Society Debate, which shall determine the selection of the Inter-Collegiate debating teams, to be held on the third Saturday night in January of each year.

(2) The DuBois Prize Contest in Oratory, to be held on March 1st of each year. The contest for the DuBois prize shall also determine the University's representative in the annual contest of the Southern Interstate Oratorical Association.

(3) The Wortham prize in Declamation, to be held annually on the first Saturday night in April.

I. The Annual Inter-Society Debate.

1. An annual Inter-Society debate, which shall determine the selection of the Inter-Collegiate debating teams, shall be held on the third Saturday night in January of each year, at 8:30 o'clock.

2. Preliminary Contests—On the second Saturday night of December of each year, the Athenaeum and Rusk Literary Societies shall each select the four students adjudged their best debaters. For this purpose each society shall adopt its own rules and regulations; provided only that the selection be by preliminary competition, open to all members of the respective societies, and that no limitation be placed upon any student as to the time of his becoming a member of either society that will affect his right otherwise to enter the preliminary competition.

3. Eligibility—All contestants must be bona fide students, the term "bona fide," as applied to individual cases that may arise, to be determined by the deans of the Academic and Law Departments.

4. Selection of Question—As early as practicable, after the opening of the Fall term, the Faculty Committee on Forensics and Oratory shall announce a question for debate, which question shall be used for the Societies' preliminaries, and for the Inter-Society debate.

5. The eight students chosen as provided in subdivision 2 (any vacancies being filled as each society may determine) shall engage in a public debate in the University auditorium on the third Saturday night in January of each year. Unless both societies vote otherwise, the four representatives of a given society shall champion the same side of the question. Sides and order of speaking shall be determined voluntarily or by lot. Each debater shall be allowed two speeches, one of ten (10) minutes in direct debate, the other of three (3) minutes in rebuttal. The first series of speeches shall be opened by the affirmative and negative speakers. In the second, or three minute speeches, the order of speaking shall be reversed, i. e., the last speaker on the affirmative shall be the first speaker in the second series of speeches, and so on.

6. Outline of Question—Prior to determining the sides and order of speaking in the Inter-Society debate, the faculty committee on Forensics and Oratory shall outline the question for debate, affirmative and negative, into four main lines of argument; and each speaker shall confine his argument, both in direct debate and in refutation, primarily to the particular field of the discussion previously assigned him from such outline.

7. Time Keepers and Tellers—Each society shall select a time keeper for the debate, who shall also act as tellers and in company with each other shall receive from their judges in the audience their respective sealed nominations as hereinafter provided, under the head of "General Provisions." The two so selected shall time the speakers, and ring a warning bell promptly upon the expiration of the time limit.

8. Decision of the Judges—The judges of the debate shall determine (1) which side wins the debate; (2) the best individual debater (in case a prize is offered for this purpose), and (3) the four students and the two alternates to represent the University in the Inter-Collegiate debates. The faculty committee on Forensics and Oratory shall designate the students who shall constitute the respective Inter-Collegiate debating teams, from the four debaters as herein provided for, the individual preferences of the students being considered. Any vacancies in the teams as first chosen may be filled by appointing any one of those remaining out of the six chosen as aforesaid, as may be determined by said committee.

II. General Provisions.

1. Executive Committee—For the purpose of carrying into effect the foregoing rules and regulations, the student members of the Debating Council shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Oratorical Association, and, for this purpose, the president of the Oratorical Association shall be ex officio chairman of the Debating Council, with authority to appoint all subcommittees deemed necessary. The Debating Council shall elect one of their number as secretary thereof, who shall, in addition to his usual duties as secretary, conduct all correspondence incident to the negotiation concerning and conduct of the Inter-Collegiate Debates and Southern Oratorical Contests. These rules and regulations are to be changed only upon the recommendation of the Debating Council.

2. Eligibility for Contests—No student otherwise eligible shall be debarred from a given contest if he becomes a member of either society not later than the date of the first preliminary; but either society may require of contestants the payment in advance of regular dues for the whole or any part of a current session.

3. Presiding Officer—The presiding officer for the debate and declamation contests shall be the president of the Oratorical Association, or some person chosen by him; for the DuBois contest in oratory, the professor of Oratory or some person chosen by him.

4. Admission Charges—No admission shall be charged to these contests except upon recommendation of the Debating Council, and the permission of the respective donors of prizes.

5. Judges, How Chosen—The committee of judges for each contest shall be three in number. They shall be chosen by the contestants concerned in a given contest, or by a committee delegated by such contestants; provided, that at least one of the judges in the Inter-Society debate and in the DuBois contest shall be a member of the University faculty. The judges so chosen shall be invited to serve by the president of the Oratorical Association.

6. Awarding of Prizes—The judges shall be seated in different parts of the audience, that they may record in the votes the general effect of the speeches. Immediately upon the close of a contest, each judge shall record his choice of the prize winner, signing his name thereto, and place the same in a sealed envelope. These envelopes shall be collected by the time keepers in company with each other and shall be opened by the presiding officer in their presence, who shall announce the decision. In case the vote should result in a tie, the judges shall retire and select the winner from the three highest in the first vote. In case such conference should result in no agreement, each judge shall choose one person from the audience and the three so chosen shall select one other, and the seven shall select the prize winner from the three contestants as aforesaid. In case the committee of seven so determine, the prize money may be divided between the said three contestants, but only in case a majority of said committee of seven believe that the merits of the three are so evenly balanced that no discrimination should be made.

In no case shall the judges vote by sealed ballot other than for the choice of the winner of a prize and for a representative in the Southern Interstate Oratorical Contest; when required to render a further decision under the foregoing rules, they shall retire to confer upon the same and their decision shall be final.

7. Order of Speaking—In all preliminary and final contests, the speakers shall appear in the order as determined by lot, subject to such exchanges as may be mutually agreed upon.

8. Group Pictures—All contestants in any of the three annual contests shall

furnish their photographs to the president of the Oratorical Association, who shall have the same framed into a group picture, with appropriate lettering. The expense of framing the same shall be paid by the Oratorical Association. These group pictures shall be and remain the property of the Oratorical Association, and shall be hung in the Athenaeum and Rusk halls in accordance with the society membership of the prize winners.

9. Single Award of Prizes—A previous winner of the DuBois prize in oratory shall not be again awarded said prize, but he may enter the contest in any succeeding year as a candidate for the Inter-State Oratorical representation. A previous winner of the Inter-Society prize in debate shall not be again awarded said prize, but he may enter the contest in any succeeding year as a candidate for a place on an Inter-Collegiate debating team.

10. Private Drill for Contestants—When desired by the respective contestants, the professor of Oratory offers to each contestant not to exceed three private drills for the final declamation and DuBois contests.

11. The foregoing rules and regulations are not to be changed except upon recommendation of the Debating Council. Any change so recommended may be made by majority vote of the Oratorical Association.

CALENDAR OF THE UNIVERSITY CONTESTS IN PUBLIC SPEAKING.

I. The Inter-Society Debate. Society Preliminaries—The second Saturday night in December.

Final Contest—Third Saturday night in January.

II. The DuBois Contest in Oratory. First Preliminaries—Second Saturday night in February.

Final Preliminaries—Third Friday in February.

Final Contest—March 1.

III. The W. B. Wortham Prize Contest in Declamation.

First Preliminaries—First Saturday night in March.

Final Preliminaries—Second Friday in March.

Final Contest—First Saturday night in April.

II. THE DUBOIS CONTEST IN ORATORY.

A cash prize of \$50, to be known as "The DuBois Prize in Oratory," is offered by the School of Oratory to that University student adjudged the best. (Continued on page 4.)

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THE BIBLE AND MISSION STUDY CLASSES.

REVIEW OF THE CONDITION

It is indeed very gratifying to see the interest now being manifested in the Bible and Mission Study classes in the University. From the beginning of the session, two small Bible study classes have been in progress. The first one of these classes is studying what is known as the Freshman or first year course, "The Life of Christ," outlined by Sharman. This class is led by J. M. Kuehne, and meets at 2 o'clock every Sunday in the Y. M. C. A. room. The other Bible study class known as the Sophomore, or second year class, is pursuing "Studies in the Acts and Epistles," outlined by E. J. Bosworth. This class is led by W. F. Martin and meets every Sunday in the biological lecture room, on third floor, at 2 o'clock. A third year class will be organized to study "Old Testament Characters," if there is a demand for it.

The attendance in these classes has increased 75 per cent since the holidays. In view of the prevailing ignorance, almost universal, of the teachings of the Bible by students in general, and Christian students in particular, it would not be amiss for a larger number of students to make the enlistment of themselves in one of these classes one of their New Year's vows. These courses are arranged for daily study and require only about fifteen minutes a day. They are extremely interesting, instructive and helpful.

Since the holidays two mission study classes have been organized, and have begun work. About forty-five students have enlisted in these classes, and quite a number of others are manifesting an interest in such work. The little book used is entitled "Effective Workers in Needy Fields," and it contains short biographical sketches of such noted missionaries as David Livingstone, George Leslie Mackay, Isabella Thoburn, Cyrus Hamlin and Joseph Hardy Neesima. These five characters will be studied during the rest of this year. The classes have at their disposal five reference books, each containing the life of one of these great missionaries. No one can read one of these books without being a better man or woman after reading.

One of these classes is led by L. W. Parrish, and meets at 2 o'clock every Sunday in the English room, opposite the chapel room. The other class is led by L. W. Welker, and meets in the same room at 4:45 every Wednesday. It is quite probable that in a short time these two classes will have to be divided into at least four sections.

It is earnestly hoped that these classes in Bible and mission study will continue to grow until such work will become a permanent thing in the University. On an average, the different State institutions of the country have about 25 per cent of their students engaged in systematic Bible and mission study. Let this institution take a position by the side of others in this important phase of student training.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

(Continued from page 3.)

speaker, subject-matter and delivery both considered, in a public contest to be held in the University Auditorium on March 1st annually, under the following rules and regulations:

1. Eligibility. This contest shall be open to all members of the Oratorical association who are bona fide students. The term "bona fide," as applied to individual cases that may arise, shall be determined by the Deans of the Academic and Law Departments.

2. Preliminary Contests. At the regular meetings of the Athenaeum and Rusk societies on the second Saturday night in February of each year, preliminary contests shall be held, under such regulations as each society may provide. The contestants shall deliver original orations, not exceeding ten minutes, or 1200 words, in length. The judges shall select not more than six speakers from each society, basing their selection on the subject-matter and delivery, the test being that of general effectiveness.

3. Final Preliminary Contest. A final preliminary, non-public contest shall be held in the University Auditorium on

the third Friday in February of each year, at 2:30 p. m. The orations shall be limited in length as above provided. In case there are at least five speakers whose orations and delivery are worthy, in the opinion of the judges, of a public contest, not more than six nor less than five shall be chosen for the final contest, the selection being based on the subject-matter and delivery. In case at least five of the contestants are not deemed worthy as aforesaid, the contest shall be declared off for that year.

4. The Final Contest. The final contest shall be held in the University Auditorium on the night of the first day of March annually at 8:30, except that when March 1st falls on Sunday the final contest shall be held on the night of the last day of February. The orations delivered shall be limited to ten minutes, or 1200 words, in length. The judges shall base their award of the prize upon the subject-matter and delivery, the test being that of general effectiveness.

III. THE WORTHAM PRIZE IN DECLAMATION.

Hon. W. B. Wortham, of Austin, offers until further notice a prize of \$25 in cash for an annual contest in declamation, under the following rules and regulations:

1. Eligibility. The contestants must be members of the Oratorical Association and students who have not participated in the final contest in declamation in the University in any preceding year. For the current session, this contest shall be open to Sophomores, Freshmen and Junior Law students, and to special and irregular students who have not more than ten (10) University courses to their credit. After the session of 1903-4, this contest shall be open to first-year students only, that is, (1) Freshmen, irregular and special students in the Academic Department who have not previously attended the University three full terms, and (2) those Junior Law students who have not previously attended the University three full terms and who are not credited with five full academic courses in this University or their equivalent in other colleges or universities of equal rank. In case of dispute as to the application of this rule, the Dean of the Academic Department shall be the judge.

2. Preliminary Contests. At the regular meetings of the Athenaeum and Rusk societies, respectively, on the first Saturday night of March in each year, preliminary contests shall be held, under such regulations as each society may provide. The judges in such contests shall select ten students from each society adjudged the best speakers from the standpoint of delivery.

3. Final Preliminary Contest. The twenty students selected as last above provided shall engage in a final preliminary, non-public contest in the University Auditorium on the second Friday of March of each year at 2:30 p. m. The declamations delivered shall not exceed five (5) minutes in length. As a result of the final preliminary the judges shall choose ten students for the final contest.

4. The Final Contest. The final contest shall be held in the University Auditorium on the first Saturday night in April of each year, at 8:30 o'clock. Each contestant shall deliver a declamation not exceeding 750 words, or six minutes, in length, chosen in consultation with, and subject to the approval of, the professor of oratory. In case two or more contestants choose the same declamation, the one first registering his choice shall have the preference. The judges shall base their award solely upon the delivery, the relative clearness, earnestness, force, ease, naturalness and general effectiveness.

FRESHMEN MEETING.

At the last meeting of the Freshmen, February 1st, their cactus interests were taken up. The class elected Miss Helen Garrison as historian and Miss Mary Smithers as class poet. A committee to look after the Freshmen part of the cactus was also appointed.

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LOCAL.

A. B. Cox of Blanco, class '04, here on a short visit. Will return next year, etc.

Sigma Nu has pledged the following men: Macdonald, Cosby, Robertson, McClellan.

Bradfield, B., '99, M. D. (Galveston), '03, of Dangerfield, visited the University last week.

Sigma Chi has initiated the following men: Max Bickler, W. S. Davidson, Will Blocker.

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Chi Phi has initiated the following men: Tom B. Botts, V. O. Westervelt, Dick O. Terrell.

Mr. H. U. Rhodius, a member of the class of '05, and last year's Texan staff, is here on a short visit.

Kappa Alpha has initiated the following men: Leon Russ, Albert Stone, L. B. Milam, George Bringham.

Phi-Delta-Theta has initiated the following men: Hal Logan, Hugh Lothrop, Taylor, Value, Adoue, McEwry, Berger, Watkins, Locke, Perry Alvey.

Miss Mabel Bass of Dallas is visiting Miss Annie D. Howard of Longview. Miss Bass expects to be numbered among the student body in the near future.

Beta Theta Pi has initiated the following men: R. J. Edwards, Herbert Walden, Will Francis, Wiley Clarkson, Mac Fall Kefbey, John Townes, Roy R. Street, Crow Wright.

Miss Ethel Rather has lost her fraternity pin, S. A. E., presumably on campus; if it should be found, she will greatly appreciate its if returned to her at the woman's building.

Mr. A. P. Barrett of the law department, has returned for a short visit. Mr. Barrett has resigned to make the race for State senator. He expects to be back at the Varsity next year.

Kappa Sigma has initiated the following men: Sewell Myer, Jas. Wayman, John La Prie, T. P. Scott, Frank Bailey, O. M. Oneal, Bryan Williams, Sam Key, Arthur Givins, Ashley Denton, Frank Scheuber, Paul Montgomery, Freddie Fisher.

Miss Marion C. Whipple of California, president of the Gamma district of the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, is here to investigate the petition of the Beta Epsilon girls. The outlook is favorable, and The Texan, in company with the whole student body, hopes to welcome the new chapter soon.

Last Saturday night the following men were initiated into the mysteries of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity: Arthur Harris, Chas. W. Abbot, J. Fennel Dibrell, Bruce Greenwood, Lucien G. Henderson, Nolan Smith, Louis Jacoby, Howard Etheridge. The initiation was followed by a banquet in honor of the new men.

The Senior Laws have elected Tom Milliken for class orator for commencement day. Mr. Milliken is a graduate of Southwestern, at which school he made a reputation as an orator and debater. He is one of the leading members of the Athenaeum Literary Society, and in the recent Inter-Society debate was chosen as a member of the Inter-Collegiate debating team to contest with Tulane and Colorado.

Frank Lanham and Tom Milliken, who are managing this year's swimming and walking contests, report that several Freshmen and Junior Laws have already entered for the Spring meet. Junior Law Wilson is the latest and most enthusiastic contestant among the new men.

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