

watches the swimmers in the pool. Again we see him watching with intense interest the ball games on yonder drill-ground. Go to the roll of our society and you will find his name recorded there. When he would visit us here at our morning chapel service, we always knew that when the Gov. arose that we were going to hear something of special interest, there would be an extraordinary stillness, even the most restless cadet fixing his attention to hear what was going to be said. We always expected a treat of kind words and we were never disappointed in our expectations. In fact he was the boys friend—not to humor him to petty and idle notions but always stimulating him to noble and high aims.

We know that we were not always conscious of what our president was doing for us even when he was exerting his most strenuous efforts for our good. But when we did realize some of the interests which he had in us, it only made us respect him the more.

We know that he exercised great patience with unruly cadets, and he would bear with them just as long as he thought there was any possibility of bringing out of the boy any of his more splendid qualities. He has been known to go to professors here and ask them to let boys enter school on condition when he thought that the circumstances and the character of the boy would warrant such an act. Often has he been known to resort to such means as this when he thought it best for the students welfare. These acts of kindness to the new, dull or unruly cadet only go to show what a noble, generous and patient spirit existed in the man.

Many of us have listened with increasing interest to the stories told us by our parents and grand parents of how Gov. Ross nobly defended our southern homes by driving out and subduing the Red men, bringing peace and prosperity to our Texas homes and how he won the respect and love of all those who knew him, for such was the record of our late president.