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tackled them. We tackled them front and rear, in the center and on both wings. We even laid siege to their store of supplies and attempted to cut off reinforcements. We tackled them by the neck, hair, nose, feet, or any other projections that came handy. You see that the main point was to tackle. The referees that day were imbued with a premature Christmas generosity and they gave us permission to see how many National Athletic Association rules we could smash in a given length of time. All we lacked in smashing up to the record limit we took out in smashing heads.

Each one of us soon discovered that he could make one particular kind of grand stand play better than any other and thereafter he went around looking for opportunities to display his particular abilities. Some of the fine plays made that day should be made known to the public, for indeed they were fine. For instance, our quarter discovered that he could fly, so time and again he could be seen soaring above the line after the enemy had carried the ball around the end and were gone down the field.

Being quite frequently more concerned about the welfare of my own head than about the doings of other players, I did not get a chance to study the peculiarities of each man in action, but I saw one or two plays spread upon the grid-iron which ought to be immortalized. One of these was a beautiful double pass made by one of us. Since the game we have learned that it was a superb piece of playing.

The enemy had been able to accomplish nothing, so one of our men got sorry for them. Consequently while speeding around the enemy's left flank he had about made up his mind to help them out a little. Just at this time, though, he discovered an enemy trespassing on our territory and he conceived a fierce resentment for that particular foe. The impudent rascal was actually obstructing the passage. Of course that spoiled all well-laid plans, so something must be done on the

spur of the moment. Just at this moment Splitz Shoemaker came coursing along and though he was an enemy, he was an honorable man. Some friend handed him the ball while he turned his attention to the rascal who assailed him. By so doing he could get his revenge and aid the discouraged foe a little at the same time. Of course it was not his fault that somebody overhauled Splitz and prevented a touchdown. He had done his best.

Our Irishman, also, made a fine play, he forgot we were playing up-to-date foot ball and started an old style game of association all by himself. He did well, too, for a while booting that football around like a man, but some fellow was near enough to sneak it away from him right in the middle of the performance and that spoiled the whole thing.

Well, to make a long story short, we lost the game, 10 to 0, the papers said the score stood, but if you had asked a Gathrighter he could not have told you which way it went. In tears of joy had we come forth and in tears of sorrow we went away, bearing our dead and wounded with us. Gathright was defeated, but not disgraced.

### "BUG-HUNTERS" 6—ENGINEERS 3.

The senior "Bug Hunters" played the senior Engineers a game of baseball Saturday evening.

The Bug Hunters have had more experience in catching objects that sail in the air, so accordingly won the game by a score of 6 to 3. The Engineers forgot their waste—but they could not have used it—the ball would not stay in their vicinity long enough to get the hot grease wiped off—so they stopped a ball only now and then. I forgot—some C. E.'s were in the game, but they were too inexperienced to use either a transit or a level on a flying sphere of rubber, yarn and leather. What great knowledge they had of a transition curve did not enable these senior C. E.'s to figure just where the ball would drop.

The lineup for the teams consisted of old baseball veterans. It was as follows:

Church.....c.....	McFarland
Glass.....p.....	Welhausen
Rainey.....1 b.....	Ehlers
Minear.....2 b.....	Hackney
Stubbs.....3 b.....	Webb
Hanna.....s. s.....	Sternenberg
Boyce, W. B.....l. f.....	Durst
Cruse (Piney).....c. f.....	Hauck
Holzman.....r. f.....	Washburn

The principal feature of the game was that of umpire—wise old Jess Hassel, while Church distinguished himself as having strength enough in his mighty right to overthrow any base or field man in the game.

### "JACK OF ALL TRADES"

In answer to an advertisement for somebody to take charge of a church choir and play the organ, the following reply was received: "Sir, I noticed your ad. for an organist and music teacher, either lady or gentleman. Having been both for several years, I offer you my services.

### THE AUSTIN LITERARY SOCIETY.

The second meeting of the Austin Literary Society this term was held last Saturday night with an attendance, considering the very inclement weather, that shows the interest and determination of the members that are seeking to unfold the literature of our masters and attain ease and ability in declamation and oratory.

A very interesting program was carried out, and each member present felt that the benefit derived during the hour was far greater than could have been received from many other sources.

It is essential that every school of importance should have a strong and permanent literary society. With our reliable and old standing membership and the help of the corps, there is no reason why we should not have as strong a society as any school in the State. Every student has some time to devote to the improvement of his literary ability and the power of presenting his views clearly to an audience. It is far better to spend a few hours each week in this much neglected adjunct to our college course.

### "THE STAGS."

The following men met in No. 13, Austin Hall, Sunday, January 22, for the purpose of organizing a dancing club, to be known as "The Stags:" Welhausen, Lipscomb, Noble, Crooks, Cruse, Thompson, Washburn, Windrow, Wickes, Oliver.

Mr. Welhausen was elected president, Mr. Lipscomb secretary and treasurer.

It was decided to limit the membership to "B" and "C" companies, and the following men were elected from each company:

"B" company—Abney, Arnold, Burns, Culver, Dean, Elliott, Gilbert, Kaulbach, Lichte, Metcalf, Pendleton, Skaggs, Underwood, Woods.

"C" company—Bruce, Downs, Ehlinger, Epstein, Faught, Gripon, Higgins, Kelley, Moss, Rainey, Wallace, Wortham, Potts. Musicians—Giesecke, Ramsey and Thompson.

Arrangements were made with Prof. Harrington for the privilege of using the Chemistry building.

Dances will be held every Saturday night during the winter and spring terms and many delightful hours are anticipated.

### THE GLEE CLUB.

Below is a copy of the program of the Glee Club to be rendered next Saturday night. The entertainment will be given complimentary to the corps of cadets and campus people. Everybody is invited to be present on this occasion.

### PROGRAM.

Recital to be given by the A. and M. College Glee Club, College Chapel, February 4, 8 p. m.

Chorus—Medley—Arranged by W. R. Atkinson—Glee Club.

Violin Solo—Rondo from Concerto IX—De Beriot—Mr. Max F. Mayer.

Chorus—Love's Old Sweet Song—Molloy Parks—Glee Club.

Bass Solo—Out on the Deep—H. W. Petrie—Mr. J. W. Lane.

Quartette—Did Yo' Heerd What A Sandman Say—W. H. Jones—Messrs. Haltom, Orr, Lane and Junkin.

Solo—Daisy—Horwitz—Bowers—Miss Hettie Smith.

Chorus—Little Pewee—Petrie—Parks—Glee Club.

Violin Solo—Maiden's Song—Meyer—Mayer.

Chorus—

(a) Juanita—Norton—Parks.

(b) Old College Chum—Adams—Glee Club.

Mr. Wendling will deliver a lecture next Thursday night. This will be number four of the lyceum course. Mr. Wendling is said to be a very fine lecturer, and we anticipate a fine lecture.

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