

DRILL SHIRTS ?

CAMPAIGN HATS ?
REGULATION BELTS ?
WHITE GLOVES ?

SPECIAL NOTICE!—Our stock of drill shirts was to have arrived for the opening of the College, but was delayed in shipment, and have just arrived. So we now have a full stock of all sizes of the best drill shirts offered the students this season, and would warn all students who have not yet secured their shirts not to delay their purchases as each student is required to have two shirts, and the supply may not last long.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLE

H. & T. C. SCHEDULE.

NORTH BOUND TRAINS.

No. 37 1:26 p. m.

No. 5 12:36 a. m. (flag)

SOUTH BOUND TRAINS.

No. 2 3:49 p. m.

No. 6 2:57 a. m. (flag)

I. & G. N. SCHEDULE.

NORTH BOUND TRAINS.

No. 102 9:58 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND TRAINS.

No. 101 4:56 p. m.

LOCALS

Mr. A. J. Neff, '03, is spending a few days on the Campus.

Mr. John Wicks spent the holidays with his parents in Bryan.

Mr. G. R. Abney, '06, spent the holidays with his parents in Franklin.

Dr. Fountain wishes to announce that no composition will be received from seniors after Jan. 15.

Mr. R. J. Windrow, '06, has resigned his position with the U. S. Government and is now employed as an instrument man in De Rider, La.

Mr. Harry Matthews, '03, spent a few days on the campus recently. He has a prominent position with the Guffey Petroleum Company of Beaumont.

Thursday the 10th instant we will be honored with the presence of "Cyclone" Souther, on our Lyceum course. We are all looking for a rare treat at his hands.

A. J. Neff, '02, who has been running a foundry at Brownwood, Texas, has decided to accept the position of superintendent of the steam plant at College.

Mr. R. E. Schiller, '06, spent the holidays working as an instrument man for a U. S. government surveying party who were locating a site for a proposed dam in the Brazos river about seven miles from Bryan.

We are sorry to note that Mr. George Grupe, '92, has resigned his position as superintendent of the steam plant at College and will enter the employ of the U. S. government on the 15 inst. He made a grade of 94 on his examination for the position he secured.

Patronize Benson's Barber Shop

MR. GEORGE GRUPE TO LEAVE A. and M. C.

Has Accepted Position as Chief Engineer of "Col. A. M. Miller."

Residents of College Station will regret to learn of the departure of Mr. George Grupe, who has been in charge of the steam plant for a number of years. Mr. Grupe is an alumnus of the college. He has accepted a position as chief engineer of the Dredge "Col. A. M. Miller," now at Harrisburg. The following letters concerning his appointment have been handed to us for publication:

NOTICE OF RATING.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Board of Civil Service Examiners, Engineer Dept. Service, Galveston, Texas.

January 3, 1907.

Mr. Geo. Grupe,
College Station, Texas.

You are informed that in your Chief Engineer examination of December 24, 1906, your average percentage is 94 per cent.

The names of competitors who obtain an average percentage of 70 or more (or, if preferred soldiers or sailors, an average percentage of 65 or more) are entered upon the register of eligibles with the rating obtained; but those whose average percentage is below 70 (or 65, if preferred soldiers or sailors) are not eligible for appointment. The period of eligibility for those who obtain an eligible average percentage is one year. Only those persons have right to a claim of preference who have been honorably discharged from the military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty.

Very respectfully,
S. M. Wilcox,
Secretary, Local Board.

UNITED STATES ENGINEER DEPARTMENT
Dredge "Col. A. M. Miller."

Galveston, Texas, Jan. 2, 1907.

Mr. Geo. Grupe,
College Station, Texas.

Sir: You will please report for duty as Chief Engineer of Dredge "Col. A. M. Miller," at Harrisburg, Texas, not later than January 15th. Answer immediately.

Very truly,
W. A. Hinkle, Sup't.

College Station, Texas.
President H. H. Harrington,
College Station, Texas.

Dear Sir: I hereby tender my resignation as superintendent of the steam plant. Thanking you for past favors, I am,

Yours truly,
George Grupe.

AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE OF TEXAS.

College Station, Tex., Jan. 7, '07.
Mr. George Grupe,
College, Texas.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor of the 3d inst. and in reply would say that the same is regretfully accepted. Your services to the Institution have been faithful and efficient. I trust that in the new work that you are to take up, you will find your surroundings congenial and a recognition on the part of the authorities over you of your ability and fidelity, and I feel sure that the future will bring you continued success.

Yours truly,
H. H. Harrington.

LETTER AND POEM FROM PROF. LOMAX

The following verses have been received from Prof. John A. Lomax of the English Department. We are pleased to publish them.

THE OLD MACKENZIE TRAIL.

See stretching yonder o'er that low divide
Which parts the falling rain—the eastern slope
Sends down a runlet to the southern sea
Through Double Mountain's winding length of stream,
The western side spreads out into a plain,
Which sinks away o'er tawny, rolling leagues
At last into the rushing Rio Grande,—
See, faintly showing on that distant ridge,
The deep-cut pathways through the shelving crest,
Sage-matted now and rimmed with chaparral,
The dim reminders of the olden times,
Of life, of stir, of blood, of Indian raid,
The hunt of buffalo and antelope,
The tramp, the wagon train, the sea of steers,
The cowboy's lonely vigil through the night,
The stampede and the wild ride through the storm,
The call of California's golden flood,
The impulse of the Saxon's "Westward Ho"
Which set our fathers' faces from the east,
To spread resistless o'er the barren wastes,
To people all the regions 'neath the sun—
Those vikings of the old Mackenzie trail.
It winds—this old forgotten cattle trail—
Through valleys still and silent even now,
Save when the yellow-breasted desert lark
Calls shrill and lonely from a dead mesquite
In quivering notes set in a minor key,
Bardened with vacant, dead monotony,
The endless round of sunny days, of starry nights,
The blank unchanging of the wholly free.
The coyote's howl is heard at dark from some low lying hill; companioned by the loafer wolf
They yelp in concert to the far off stars,
Or gnaw the bleached bones in savage rage
That lie unburied by the grass-grown paths.
The prairie dogs play sentinel by day,
And backward slips the badger to his den,
The whirr, the fatal strike of rattlesnake,
A staring buzzard floating in the blue,
And, now and then, the curlew's eerie call—
Lost, always lost, and seeking evermore—
All else is mute and dormant; vacantly
The sun looks down, the days run idly on,
The breezes whirl the dust, which eddying falls,
Smothering the records of the westward caravans.
Across the Colorado, Brazos, through
Concho's broad, fair valley, sweeping on
By Abilene it climbs upon the plain,
The Llano Estacado (beyond lie wastes
Of alkali and hunger gaunt and death)—
And here is lost in shifting rifts of sand.
Anon it lingers by a hidden spring
That bubbles joy into the wilderness;
Its pathway trenched that distant mountain side,
Now grown to gulches through torrential rain,
De Vaca gathered pinons by the way,
Long ere the furrows grew on yonder hill,
Cut by the creaking prairie-schooner wheels;

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La Salle, the gentle Frenchman, crossed this course,
And went to death and to a nameless grave.
For ages and for ages through the past
Comanches and Apaches from the north
Came sweeping southward, searching for the sun,
And charged in mimic combat on the sea.
The scions of Montezuma's low-browed race
Perhaps have seen that knotty, thorny tree,
Or sucked the cactus apples growing there.
All these have passed, and passed the immigrants,
Who bore the westward fever in their brain,
The Norseman tang for roving in their veins;
Who loved the plains as sailors love the sea,
Braved danger, death, and found a resting place
While traveling on the old Mackenzie trail.
Brave old Mackenzie long has laid him down
To rest beside the trail that bears his name;
A granite mountain makes his monument;
The norther, moaning o'er the low divide,
Go gently past his long deserted grave.
No more his rangers guard the wild frontier,
No more he leads them in the border fight;
No more is seen the winding stream of horns
To Kansas bound; the dust, the cowboy songs
And cries, the pistol's sharp report, the free,
Wild days in Texas by the Rio Grande
And some men say when dusky night shuts down,
Dark, cloudy night without a kindly star,
One sees dim horsemen skimming up the trail
Hard by Mackenzie's grave; and keener ears
Have heard from deep within the bordering hills
The tramp of ghostly hoofs, faint cattle lows,
The rumble of a moving wagon trail,
Sometimes far echoes of a frontier song;
Then sounds grow fainter, shadows troop away,
On westward, westward, as they in olden time
Went ranging o'er the old Mackenzie trail.

Gold and Silver Gospels.
"The Gold and Silver Gospels" is the name of a very peculiar book now preserved in the Upsala library in Sweden. It is printed with metal type on violet colored vellum, the letters being silver and the initials gold. When it was printed, by whom or what were the methods employed are questions which have great interest for the curious but have never been answered.

How They Got In.
Knicker—Are children allowed in your lot? Becker—No. We brought ours in under the head of musical instruments.—New York Sun.

no bargains.
"Eternal vigilance," shouted the orator, "is the price of liberty!"
The women electors exchanged glances.
"That is the same price as last year," they remarked and shrugged their shoulders.
There were no bargains to be had, and they lost interest in the proceedings.

Courts of Love.
"Courts of love" were established in the middle ages, when chivalry was at its height and love the serious occupation of life among the higher class of society. The first "court of love" was established in the south of France in the twelfth century and was composed of knights, poets and ladies, and their decisions on subtle questions connected with affairs of the heart were given with great formality.

Spilled Pleasure.
Mrs. Meyer—What's the trouble, Mrs. Schulz? You are in bad humor this morning. Mrs. Schulz—You see, my husband stayed at the club every night last week until after midnight. Last night I sat up, determined to give him a curtain lecture when he got in late, and what do you think? The fool came home at 9 o'clock!—Flegende Blatter.

In the Eighteenth Century.
Women needed to be admonished regarding certain details of good manners in the eighteenth century quite as much as today. At the Handel festival at Westminster abbey in 1790 a notice was posted reading, "No ladies will be admitted with hats, and they are particularly requested to come without feathers and very small hoops, if any."

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