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THAT NORTH TEXAS A. AND M. COLLEGE

The proposition that the Legislature establish a branch A. and M. College in North Texas is well answered by the National Co-operator and Farm Journal, which is published in Dallas, and is the official organ of the Farmers' Union. The following is a reprint of the article of our North Texas contemporary:

That proposition to divide up the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College into two, putting one in North Texas, is a Grecian horse. It is loaded. It means utter destruction to the College near Bryan, with a sickly little weakling in North Texas that will eventually die for lack of nourishment.

In unity is strength and when you go to dividing up State appropriations for schools or colleges, into two or three little budgets you simply have two or three struggling little schools and colleges that never can and never will accomplish anything. With less money given to strengthen and build up one Agricultural and Mechanical College something will be done for the good of the farming interests of the country and for the proper education of the farmer boys who are striving to secure a scientific agricultural education.

If this iniquitous proposition should come up in the Legislature, it is hoped it will be strangled in the committee room. Indeed, not only the nearly 300,000 members of The Farmers' Union in Texas demand that such a bill be killed, but so does every other farmer who feels an interest in the success of the State's Agricultural and Mechanical College. The Federal Government gives the college near Bryan \$15,000 a year and not a dollar of this could be diverted from that college. Because of this, if another such college was established in North Texas, no Legislature would ever be willing to do as much for the present college as is being done.

There must be some sort of graft behind this proposal for the establishment of an Agricultural and Mechanical College in North Texas. Somebody must be trying to work a scheme to make a place, to get a soft snap for himself or someone else. The establishment of two State Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges would lead to the demand for three. East Texas would be clamoring for one on the ground that in the fruit belt horticulture could be best taught. This demand would have to be granted. Then Southwest Texas would demand one because of the tropical and semi-tropical productions of that region, or for some other reason, and this demand would have to be complied with. Where would the matter end? What would the con-

sequences be? Instead of concentrating all the money it had to spare on the college already established and making it the model of all the land, this money would be frittered away on two, three or four puny runts and nobody be benefited. The State has three Normal Colleges, when it only ought to have one, the Sam Houston at Huntsville; that ought to be made the superior of all other Normal Colleges in existence and with half the money expended for the three normals it could be made better than all three of them now are.

Some little, self-cocking key-winding, would-be politician, instigated by some grafter, is always ready with some scheme and every time there is a rake-off in it, and of course the little key-winder is strictly in it, always. The farmers do not have much done for them, so pray do not try to take the little they have from them.

A DISGRACEFUL PIECE OF ROWDYISM

Last Saturday night, one of the ladies of the campus gave a dance to a party of young people of Bryan and College. From what we have been able to learn, the dance was strictly a private affair, given by the lady at her own house and in honor of a nearrelative.

It seems that the invitation list was somewhat select. At any rate, several of the would-be society swells of A. and M. were not invited. But they were not to be outdone. They procured some evil-smelling punk, proceeded to light it in the windows of the dancing room, and tried to smoke out the dancers. Fortunately they were dispersed before much discomfort was caused.

If there is any trick more worthy of the lowest type of country bumpkin, please bring it to our notice.

But it is encouraging to note that the great majority of the corps condemn it.

Well, let it pass. No names, for we all have learned the names by heart. And let the rowdies trust that no matter what they do hereafter, this student body will never forget them and their deed of last Saturday night.

Pure Food Commissioner to be at College

The amendment offered by Mr. Thomas of Fannin changing the office of pure food commissioner from Denton to Austin provoked considerable discussion. In the case of the office being located at Denton it would be operated in the connection with the College of Industrial Arts.

Mr. Dean was opposed to having the office of commissioner located at Denton, contending that it would do the girls of that college no good and should be located at Austin.

Mr. Davis of Brazos offered a substitute for the amendment, as offered by Mr. Thomas, which provides for the location of the office of the commissioner with the apparatus for inspection at College Station in connection with the Agricultural and Mechanical college. Adopted.—Ex.

AUSTIN LITERARY SOCIETY

The A. L. S. met at its usual place of meeting at 8 o'clock Saturday night. After roll call the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted. As there proved to be no new business, the program was rendered.

The current events by Reese, pathetic recitation by Eddins, declamation by Skeeler and reading by Sherrill, were all good.

A quartette was formed by several members who will favor the society with songs at intervals. There being no further business, the society adjourned.

SENIOR C. E.'s ENTERTAINED

At Home of Prof. and Mrs. Nagle Friday Night.

The Senior Civil Engineering class were royally entertained last Friday night at the home of Prof. Nagle and wife. After arrival the boys and girls were shown in the parlor, and after a short conversation the punch bowl was discovered. Miss Helen Bittle gracefully served the punch until the thirst of the last one was quenched.

Each one was now given a card and a penny. The card contained twenty questions of which the answers could be found on the penny. A boy and a girl were allowed to work together and the ones that got the most correct answers would receive a prize. After all had done their best to find out the many mysteries hidden on a penny, Profs. Nagle and Spence were given the cards to be graded.

While the cards were being graded, the dining room was opened and everyone was served with ice cream, cake and many other good things. All did full justice to the occasion. The winners of the prizes were now announced—Miss Maggie McDougald and Mr. A. Underwood being the lucky ones. The prizes were presented by Capt. Sargent, who as usual did his part well. Miss McDougald received a beautiful A. M. C. pennant and Mr. Underwood a beautiful sofa pillow with C. E. '07 inscribed upon it. Mr. E. L. Marek by answering the least number of questions showed more wisdom than the rest, and therefore received as a prize a bank containing all the pennies.

Miss Hettie Marks sang several songs and she was encored many times. At last the hour of leaving came; everyone heartily thanked Prof. and Mrs. Nagle for the good time that they had given them, and all were fully convinced that Mrs. Nagle is an ideal hostess.

Those present were Misses Betts, Adams, Hudson, Hattie Lou Hudson, Mamie Hudson, Bittle, McGinnis, Malcom McGinnis, Cavitt, Board, Buchanan and Maggie McDougald; Mesdames Spence, Sargent and Harrington; Pres. Harrington, Capt. Sargent, Prof. Spence; Messrs. Bean, Black, Blake, Boyce, Cunningham, Epstein, Granau, Higgins, Kloss, Jouine, Lenz, Lilly, Marbach, Maxwell, Marek, Reese, Schroeter, Underwood, Treadaway, Moore, Potts and Wessendorf.

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