

TO RAISE STANDARD OF MILITARY COLLEGE.

Congress Considering Bill to Provide Many Improvements.

The Daily Sowan has the following:

Commandant Weeks has received a document from President Roosevelt. It is a copy of a bill that is being pushed in Congress, and may possibly pass. This bill provides beneficially for the military colleges and schools of the country and seeks to raise their standard. If the bill goes through, the government will furnish equipment, rations, etc., for the military schools when they go on marches. Thus, if the S. U. I. battalion went to Fort Riley, they would receive equipment, rations, etc., and be paid as are the government troops.

EX-'08's.

Of the many boys who have been members of the class '08, but are no longer with us at the college, we give the following list, giving their whereabouts and occupation:

R. E. Barr, salesman in his uncle's hardware store at Manor.

"Fige" King, University of Texas.

"Red" Matthews is running a skating rink at Wills Point.

Bogel, G., is "cow-punching" in West Texas.

J. T. Storey has an appointment to Annapolis.

Bruce is clerking in a drug store at Wills Point.

Cavitt is bookkeeper for the City National Bank, Bryan.

Dahlman of Cuero is married; congratulations of the class '08 to him and his; also the same to H. E. Blackwood of Tuscola, who left college last year because of "heart trouble" (the kind that never kills.)

He is living at Abeline Texas, now DeMaret is in the employ of the H. & T. C. at Bryan.

H. B. Watkins owns a drug business at Wills Point. He had to quit college on account of the death of his father, Dr. Watkins, of that place.

Willie Stewart is in college at Belton, Texas.

"Crip" Fontaine is at the Ohio State University, Columbus.

Braadus Bailey is on the rice farm near Houston.

Faught is clerking in a store at Groesbeck.

"Heavy" Giddings is having a good time on a ranch near Midland.

P. H. Lipstate is at Tyler.

Roff is married we learn and is at work for a hardware company in Chicago.

White, W. W., is working on a ranch near Cuero, Texas.

Dunk, P. A., has entered the U. S. navy.

"Pat" (A. L.) Paterson is still connected with the Green, ranch near Laredo, Texas.

Bell, J. B., is working for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in their main office at Jersey City, N. J.

Cortes, A. B., is now a student at the U. of I.

Wallace, "Ted," at Ft. Worth probably doing nothing.

We saw a thing
Of greenish hue,
And thought it was
A lawn of grass,
But when to it
We closer drew
We found it was
The freshman class.—Ex.

"Here, take this rifle," cried the ex-showman. "The leopard has escaped; if you find him shoot him on the spot."

"Which spot, sir?" gasped the green tent boy.—Ex.

THE TRIP TO VALLEY JUNCTION.

Monday, the 4th instant, the Civil Engineering students of the Senior class visited the magnificent railroad bridge across the Brazos near Valley Junction.

They left here on the north bound I. & G. N. in the forenoon and returned over the same road in the afternoon after a three hours' stay on and about the bridge. Prof. Spence headed the party, and the principal work that they did was to note and discuss the design and make up of the various members of the bridge. The deflection of the bridge under a moving train load was determined by fastening a level rod to the bridge and reading on this from a level which was set on the bank. The bridge proper which is 325 feet long and supported only at each end, deflected under a moving train load only about 1 1/4 inches. This is conceded to be the best civil engineering structure in the state and is one of the best in the United States. The boys all feel that they learned many valuable things from the day's trip.

There was a sense of pleasure in the trip also which will make it remembered by each member of the class. The mile and a half tramp through the open field in the midst of the fragrance of newly blown spring blossoms was extremely exhilarating; and when the magnificent box of eatables that our steward had prepared was opened the fellows were not slow to respond to the clamorings of their appetites.

This trip has developed their interest fully, and the class is now impatiently waiting for the longer trip to Houston and Galveston to be taken in the spring term.

Y. M. C. A. BUILDING FOR COLLEGE.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 11.—Work has already begun on the new Y. M. C. A. building which is to be constructed by the Y. M. C. A. of Austin College. The first contract, which includes the digging of the foundations and the cement work, has been let. The students have taken pledges, some to be paid at call, and others at stated intervals. They have now in sight something over \$5,000, and the president of the Y. M. C. A., J. F. Hardie, is now in the field to raise the remainder. As soon as the foundation has been completed the contract for the building of the walls will be let, and by this time it is hoped that the boys will have enough on hand to complete and furnish the building. It is to be the first college Y. M. C. A. building in the State.—Dallas News.

A LIBERAL EDUCATION.

That man, I think, has a liberal education whose body has been so trained in youth that it is the ready servant of his will, and does with all ease all that, as a mechanic it is capable of, whose intellect is a clear, cold, logic engine, with all its parts of equal strength and in smooth running order, ready, like a steam engine, to be turned to any kind of work and to spin the gossamers as well as forge the anchors of the mind; whose mind is stored with the knowledge of the great fundamental truths of nature and the laws of her operations; one who, no stunted ascetic, is full of life and fire, but whose passions have been trained to come to heel by a vigorous will, the servant of a tender conscience, one who has learned to love all beauty, whether of nature or art, to hate all villainess, and to esteem others as himself.

—Thomas Henry Huxley.

Don't talk around the fish,
Whatever else you do;
For fishes carry tails, you know,
And they might tell on you.—Ex.

C Company 7—B Company 5.

Just to break the monotony and to pass the time away B and C crossed bats last Friday. It was quite an interesting game, but the champions had their "rabbit's foot" and scored a victory to the tune of 7 to 5. Cox was on the firing line for the "babies," while Jones and Abney did the twirling act for B. Cox's pitching and Strong's batting was very good. Skaggs showed up well at shortstop. Abney, Jones and Watson deserve special mention.

The following was the line up:
B Co. Position. C Co.
Dibrell C. Whitney (C.)
Jones & Abney P. Cox
Harris 1st B. Haney
Maxwell (C.) 2nd B. Darter
Watson 3rd B. Strong
Skaggs S. S. Aldwell
McCown L. F. Reichenstein
Rogers C. F. Fabrough
Gilbert R. F. Stripling
"Maud" Moore used the indicator.

The baseball squad had two or three games last week, and several of the new men are showing up well. "Dutch" Wessendorf is all smiles since he got the new catcher's mit. "Zanty" Beall is also using a new mit at first base. The new suits will probably arrive this week. Coach Spencer is expected Saturday and then there will be something doing on the athletic field.

Baylor University and Allen's Academy will play basketball in Bryan next Saturday. Prof. Campbell and Cadet Symes have been asked to be the officials.

BIBLE LESSON FOR MARCH 10

Chapters 15 and 16.

Chapter 15: Verses 1-20—Jesus before the Roman Governor.

Verses 21-32—The Crucifixion of Jesus.

Verses 33-41—The Death of Jesus.

Verses 42-47—The Burial of Jesus.

Chapter 16: Verses 1-8—The Risen Life Announced.

Verses 9-20—A late Appendix, inserted from an ancient source, giving further incidents concerning the Resurrection.

Verse 21—A still later Appendix, giving supplementary matter.

Some years ago the selectmen of the town of Hanover, N. H., decided, in their wisdom, to collect a poll-tax from every Dartmouth student of legal age, says the Boston Herald. The boys said nothing to this, but quietly decided that if they paid taxes they would also vote. So they turned out in full force at the annual meeting having strength enough to secure control, in less than five minutes they had elected students to the positions of Moderator and Clerk. Thirty minutes from the time the meeting was called to order, the town of Hanover had gone on record as having voted to build a school house 500 feet long, 10 feet high and two feet wide, and to build a plank walk from Reed Hall, in Hanover, to Lebanon, in which town was a female seminary. Suffice it to say the tax collector did not trouble Dartmouth students for many years after that.—Ex.

His Shaky Best.

A small Canadian ventured into the room while his eldest sister was entertaining a masculine caller.

"Mr. Harris," the youth finally interrupted, "I wish you would take me with you some day."

"Take you with me?" echoed the caller. "Where do you want to go, Bobbie?"

"I heard Mr. Grant, next door, say you were on the water wagon and he guessed you'd soon fall off. I'd love to help you drive."—Canadian Courier.

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