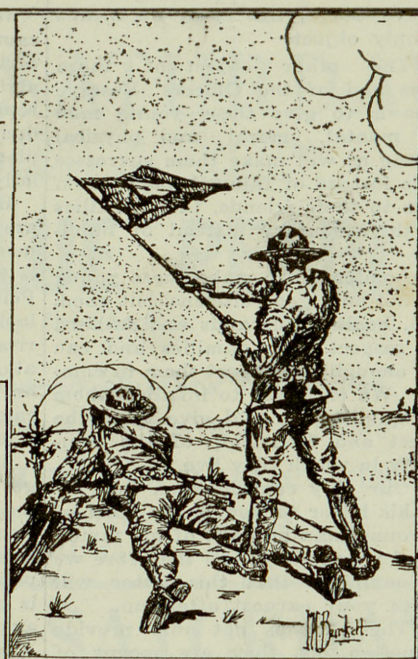




The BATTALION



Base Ball Season Opens Latter part of this month. Watch them hold up the Record.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING SOCIETY IS NOW AN ASSURED FACT

Under the Guidance of Prof. Brackett A. and M. Will Contest for State Honors.

At the present time a man without special training in public speaking is almost helpless when it comes to discussing topics of importance with men of the day. Those in authority at the College, have noticed that the average A. and M. graduate was deficient along this line. Each graduate had received a fair amount of this training, but out in the world it proved to be of too small an amount for the individual man's own good. Take for example a man that goes into demonstration work. He knows the job, but unless this man is able to approach the farmers, state what he knows to be true, and then be able to convince the farmer that it is true, he will not be the success he could have been.

Different ones connected with the College knew this condition existed, and all hoped to see it changed, but here the subject usually died. Not until Mr. Brackett became a part of the teaching staff, a few years ago, was the subject attacked systematically. Mr. Brackett thrashed the matter out, but kept quiet, waiting for the time to come when the students would be ready for the change. He knew it would do no good to start a reform until the men themselves were ready for the matter. In other words, to be a real success the movement had to come from the students.

The present senior class have thought for some time they were a bit above the average, but now they know it. Mr. Brackett, too, saw great possibilities in the class or he would not have asked its members to help him work out a plan whereby A. and M. men could improve themselves in public speaking and debating.

Several weeks ago this teacher of English picked a number of the strong men of the class and asked their opinion. He had their promise to see the organization through.

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TEXAS SURRENDERED BASKETBALL GAMES TO AGGIES AND GIVES US CLEAN SLATE FOR THE SEASON

First Game Friday Night Was Too Easy From Spectators View-point But Final Game Saturday Furnished Some Enthusiasm.



They are, left to right:

W. L. Driver, Coach; Burkes, W. M., Gouger, G. B., Glezen, H. N., Williams, W. H., DeLee, H. E., Pierce, J. A., Hartung, G. H., McQuillen, E. E. (Capt.), Dwyer, P. A. Forbes, A. L., Ehlert, R. J., Keen, L. S.

A. and M. is coming to regard the Southwestern Conference as its own little back yard. At any rate, only the corner in which the ash and garbage can rest is under the sceptre of other members of the conference. The latest one to take to the proverbial croaker sack and ashes was Texas. She did it with grace and elegance, having had a similar experience in the latter part of November of last year. The cause of it all was this all-State basket ball team of ours. Up until last Friday night the score of the season was seventeen games won and—anybody south of the north pole can tell you how many games lost. Anyway, the puncty of reverses in battle on our part was sufficient to gripe Texas into a state of green fury wherein they could, as our friend Shakespeare says, "quaff hot blood

with satisfaction." Yea, brother, with one of those games their hearts would have sang love-songs to the stars. But the celestial bodies remained unwooded and even had a hard time making their presence seen when the Aggie five scintillated onto the court.

Friday nights' game was almost too much A. and M. The score of the first half, especially, seemed to indicate that the Aggies might win by a close margin. Right merrily did Mac, Tada and Dutch swing the old ball up into play. And right wickedly did the leather straps beneath the rings shimmy as the old ball lightly touched their cheeks and passing downward came to rest in the disappointed hand of a Texas guard, while the Farmer "Wildcat" yowled in wild

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SUMMER CAMPS FOR STUDENTS OPENS JUNE 17

Various Branches Go to Different Parts in U. S. A Clean Summer Trip.

1. The summer camps for students who are members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps will open on June 17, 1920, and will continue for a period of six weeks.

2. We desire to call your attention to the many advantages which young men may derive from attending these camps. If you are interested in any one who is attending a military school or is a member of the R.O.T.C. we urge you to do all that lies in your power to see that he goes to one of these places.

3. All students, who belong to Infantry Military organizations and are in colleges of Oklahoma and Texas, will be sent to Camp Benning, Georgia. Students, who are in colleges of New Mexico and Arizona who belong to Infantry organizations of the R.O.T.C. will be sent to the Presidio at San Francisco, California. Students who belong to the Field Artillery organizations of the R.O.T.C. and are from colleges in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona, will be sent to Camp Knox, Kentucky. Students who belong to Cavalry organizations and are from colleges in New Mexico, and Arizona, will be sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. Students who belong to the Cavalry organizations of the R. O.T.C. in Texas and Oklahoma will also be sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. Students who belong to the Signal Corps organizations of the R. O.T.C. in colleges of New Mexico, Arizona, Oklahoma and Texas will be sent to Camp Alfred Vail, New Jersey.

4. These camps are especially selected for the purpose and you may feel certain that any one who attends them will be surrounded by most healthful conditions.

5. While the primary object of these camps is to provide systematic military training in order to qualify students as members of the Officers'