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## "LOW-LIFERS."

We hate to admit the fact that we have "low-lifers" mingled with us, but it is a true fact and must be met squarely by those who may be so named. You to whom this editorial is written comprise a really low class of students, and it is hoped that you will think the matter over.

It all concerns your actions at the corps dances. The freshmen have heretofore been the objects of all the gripes, but it is time to aim a few at the upperclassmen.

Imagine a senior sitting around at the door for an hour or more waiting for the doors to be opened up, in order to save a dollar. Or maybe it is to hurt the social secretary, and consequently the Senior Class. Or imagine some juniors coming around the back way and breaking in one of the doors. These and several other things were actually done at the last corps dance, and the actions have certainly branded several members of the student body just exactly what they are.

And it is these men invariably who, after getting by the door, strut out on the floor like nit-wits and make utter asses out of themselves. You know who you are and how you have been acting. Try to be more considerate and let the man who has paid his dollar have just an enjoyable time as you are trying to have without paying.

And if you haven't a dollar, see the social secretary—he will loan you the money.

## THE CORPS TRIP.

The cadet corps makes a corps trip to one of the A. and M. football games every year, and it seems that every year the corps comes back with several black marks chalked up.

Let's try to make this trip to Dallas a perfect one, without leaving anything behind us that those cold, cold people can run us down about. They don't like A. and M. up there and we realize that it is going to be hard to keep out of trouble, but let's stand as much as we can.

The Dallas A. and M. Ex-Students worked hard in trying to have some form of entertainment for us, but the people of Dallas coldly refused to cooperate with them. And so, we are going up there, looking forward to nothing except the game.

Bring back the football game and nothing else.

## FEAR.

Ordinarily when one mentions fear it instills the idea of nervous reaction to more or less dangerous stimuli, stimuli that are, usually, dangerous to the continued existence of the thing so frightened. Death, or the cessation of life, is the chief fear of the animal world in so far as man is concerned and death has never been explained except as an end of the physico-chemical existence of the cells of which man is made up. Therefore any fear of death is a fear of the unknown. An uncertainty in a world that we like to consider a sequence of certainties, for though we say that nothing is certain but death, death is relegated to the hindmost part of our brain and if possible would be pushed completely out of it. This constant recollection of an end to earthly existence takes the form of fear, fear of an unknown.

But death can not be said to be man's only fear. Pain is another dominant one and at first glance appears to be a fear of the known. But man is afraid of pain because it presages death or the stages death usually follows. Very few are afraid of the prick of a pin but if one thinks the pin is poisonous.....

Darkness, a sudden noise, an unexpected stumble, are all sometimes conducive to fear. Why? They bring in the element of the unknown. And just so does the fear of divine punishment, of wild animals, of snakes and so forth. Familiarity breeds contempt and knowledge breeds bravery. The two go hand in hand.

Therefore an education may be said to be a releasing of the mind from fear so that it may progress for nothing is so stifling to invention and exploration as fear. It was religious fears that held the world of material development back so long. Education then is the eradication of ignorance productive of fear.

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