Y. M. C. A. Trip

The Y. M. C. A. boys returned from Austin last Monday evening after an interesting stay of more than two days. The meeting was indeed a great one, and full of enthusiasm.

A few speeches were made Saturday morning, after we arrived, by Dr. Weatherford, Mr. Percy of New York, and Mr. Hinton, who is State Secretary of the Students' Department; but a more interesting meeting was held that night when a great informal dinner was given by the University Y. M. C. A. After the dinner was served, Judge Spencer of St. Louis, Dr. Weatherford, and the President of the University all gave short addresses. They were all good and strictly in the point.

The college yells, given while we were waiting for dinner, were really interesting. Some of the college gave songs, and the University even gave a Bray. While the dinner was being served, the boys sang songs and joked each other in a manner that brought about a strong brotherly love and a good Y. M. C. A. spirit.

By far the greatest speech of the meeting, however, in the opinion of some, was that of Judge Spencer, delivered at the University Auditorium on Sunday night on the subject: "The Layman And The Bible." Judge Baker of Dallas, also gave a short address.

We must not fail to mention the Normal Quartette. They sang just before Spencer talked, and at the meeting on Monday morning. The people were so well pleased with the song on Sunday evening at the Auditorium that a plau could have been heard to drop for some distance. One lady even remarked to a prominent lady of San Marcos that the quartette ought to travel through the summer months and make their fortune by singing.

A number of us visited the State institutions for Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. These were interesting. Indeed, the Asylum was visited, but none were detailed for any great length of time. Of course, we all saw the Capitol.

The return trip was taken up by singing, and by yells after we left the train to go to our homes.

COMENIAN PARTY.

On the evening of March sixteenth, the girls of the Comenian Society entertained their friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harris. The guests on arriving were met by Miss Martha Harris and Mr. Homer Harris, and were ushered to the punch bowl which was preceded over by Misses Mary Bell McGee and Mary Harris, daintily gowned in white. The reception hall was decorated in yellow and white, the club colors. Amservitas with its yellow blossoms formed a beautiful background for the punch table. In the other rooms green predominated in honor of Saint Patrick. Shamrock score cards were passed for eight tables of the lively game of "Hearts." At the conclusion of a number of games Miss Boulah Tillinghast was found to have the highest score, and was awarded the favor, a large bunch of violets. The constitution prize fell to Mr. Zellers. Dainty refreshments were served in two courses. After some time spent in music and conversation the guests dispersed, thanking Mr. and Mrs. Harris and the Comenian Society for a most enjoyable time.

NORMAN AUDITORIUM

Monday Evening, April 1st.

THE CLASS OF 1912

will present the first annual

SENIOR PLAY

A phenomenally vivid emotional drama of marital mis-matching, entitled

A Bond of the Spirit


THE FOLLOWING ALL-STAR CAST WILL POSITIVELY TREAD THE PLANKS:

Miss Martha Pollard—With a sensitive, poetic soul.

Mr. William Pace—Her hobby, deeply interested in stars, etc.

Miss Faye Gentry—a matter-of-fact mother of a healthy young animal.

Mr. William Gambridge—the sad healthy young animal.

Mr. Philip Smith—a pleasant person with a peculiar past.

Miss Otha Nelson—His daughter, in whom the early paternal predictions persistently predominate.

Mr. Crockett Smith—Father of thirteen, who is not suspicious.

Mr. H. Romines—Observer, reflective, communicative.

Mr. J. K. Montgomery—Very useful around the breakfast table.

This magnificent ensemble of histronic ability discovered, subjugated, trained, and assembled by Mr. Gates Thomas, ostensibly interpreter of English as she should be spoke but better known as the perpetrator of the notorious "Normal Casey Jones," and by him exhibited for positively one performance only and under the general espionage and approval of Miss Jessie A. Ralston, of the celebrated but seemingly unsuccessful "Get Together Lyscous Bureau." A. W. Birdwell is advance agent and general advertiser for this great attraction. Free List entirely suspended.

TICKETS, 25 CENTS.

WHEN THE BOYS ENTERTAIN THE GIRLS

When you feel rather lonely and sad
And your head incensantly whirls,
You make a shrewd guess at the cause
When the boys entertain the girls.

You wonder, I'm sure, how it is
That smiles wreath the face, shake the curls
The reason I'll tell, it's a secret,
When the boys entertain the girls.

They sing us good songs to arouse
Their songs all are like dainty pearls;
All the world seems but joy, who could doubt,
When the boys entertain the girls.

They feed us on taffy, no, compliments
And say that our beauty surpasses
More delightfully than ever Cleopatra;
When the boys entertain the girls.

A feast they prepare which astonishes
With its quality—and of it there's worlds;
This, you see, is the way we are treated
When the boys entertain the girls.

So, now, if we dream all the week,
And seem toward our work like curleis,
Excuse us, dear teachers, we but dream
How the boys entertained the girls.
The eagerness

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Tuesday Business
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are being made to place

in every railway station of our Texas cities. In addition to these work-

branches, plans are being made to place

women traveling alone against accept-

advice and assistance from

and referring them to the

city T. M. C. A. as a place to go

arriving at a city where there is

an Association. Here they can find

reliable information, friends, and the

many privileges a city Association of-

tours.

The San Antonio Association is

now occupying a building which

makes it possible to open the board-

ing home department on two upper

floors and enlarge the cafeteria.

Many hundreds of girls enjoy, daily,

the good home cooked meals of the

cafe, where the average cost per

meal for the past year has been sev-

enteen cents.

It is remarkable to see what splen-
did work is being done in Y. W. C.

A. work by the students of the State

school for the Blind. They conduct

their meetings regularly, and great

interest is always manifested at each

one of the meetings.

The El Paso Association has built a

boarding home. Besides this, their

work is being carried on in towns

where they have a very attractive

lunch room.

It is interesting to know the work

that is being done in Fort Worth.

Every Wednesday the Secretary

takes a minister to give a gospel

message to the girls who are work-

ing in the overall factory.

When it comes to style and price,

Adams sets the pace.

We will have a special showing of

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If You Want the BEST Portrait Work to be had in the City. We Make Them.
I Want to Help Poor Juniors And Freshmen

One morning in September, about four years back, Father came to me and said: "Zebulon Jedediah, since you have been careful to do the work you have done for men in such a way that you knew it would be pleasing to me, I am going to give you a chance to make of yourself a useful man. Think the matter over carefully and report what you wish to do to me in the morning, and, if possible, I will let you try your luck at what you choose."

In a short while after retiring to myself, I remembered hearing our teacher, who was a Freshman in the Southwest Texas Normal a year or so before, speaking of San Marcos and saying: "There is nothing so valuable to a young man as a diploma. Why, the Seniors are respected In San Marcos more than the Governor," she once said.

I was one of that class who would enjoy being great as well as anybody, but didn't want to scratch my back by crawling under the face of hard work separating the pasture of pleasure from that of misery and want; so I walked out boldly next morning and said I want to be a teacher.

Well, Father just threw himself back and laughed until it sounded like there was ten thousand people on the hill a mile away, laughing at him. When he quit laughing, though me and the bitters did I wish I could trade my time for an equal time in State prison!

"But nothing can take that obligation off, but a diploma, and you must work for that," was the warning of a gentle voice from within until at last victory was won and the victor a boy no longer, but one who felt himself a man strong enough to win another victory.

From one who has been over the "flinty slopes" and stumbled on every sharp rock, take heed, gentle Juniors and Freshmen, and do not fail to strive at every little unpleasant thing. If you can't help the sharp glances and their accomplishments, which are hurled at you, just smile and go on your way feeling glad that it was none of your energy wasted. Let us all be child-like enough to eat, without frowning, what is dished out to us until we are strong enough and wise enough to help our plates and not the delicacies more suitable to our various tastes.

Let's have some good yields for our Denim-San Marcos and Canyon-San Marcos boys.

Walk-Over Oxfrds, all styles, all leathers, pair $4.50. Alex L. Adams.

Have you signed for your Pedagogy yet? If not, do it at once.

Four Dollar Shoes and Slippers for young women, $2.50. Alex L. Adams.

INFORMATION WANTED

For some reason unknown to quite a number of Normal students Junior Two possesses a strange attraction. Various students from other classes are seen drifting in the direction of this section, before chapel exercises begin. The most frequent and noticeable of these visitors is Miss Barron from Freshman Two. If any one can explain this attraction please "put us next."

All women's $3.50 and $4.98 Shoes and Pumps, special, pair, $2.95. Alex L. Adams.

White and Colored Slippers, $3.50 values, for, only, $2.50. Alex L. Adams.

The students must have forgotten "at the debaters appreciate a little rolling now and then for them."

The teachers have not "got any body up the tree" yet—we mean the tree on the stage.

Mr. Arnold—"Miss Townsend, what does concrete mean when you say the State presents its government in concrete form?"

Miss T.—"Solid."
A Great Trouble

People always called me a pessimist. I didn't know what that meant and was named to ask. When I came to the Normal I had the good fortune to meet a teacher who kindly and patiently acquainted me with the Standard Dictionary. This was my chance, I thought, to find out what they meant.

I turned to pessimist and here is what I found: Pessimist: One given to desponding views; one who habitually exaggerates evil, and some more that I didn't take time to read.

That didn't help me much for some of those words meant less to me than pessimist. Finally I summed up courage to ask one of the boys what a pessimist was and he said it was a fellow who didn't see any bright things in life. I knew that I sometimes saw the sun and it was bright, so I made bold to ask him what some of the bright things were. The old fellow gave me a searching look and then said, "Smiles are some of the bright things." That was all the clue I needed. They wouldn't have a chance to call me a pessimist again for I would see every smile that was in my range of sight.

The next morning I had reached the foot of the Normal hill before I started about looking for smiles. I stepped and looked around me and not far away was a little girl with a smile—i.e., I looked in the direction she was looking and saw the smile. Just a few steps from her was another smile, but it was on a boy's face this time. The first thing I knew that boy and girl were walking up the hill together. "Well," thought I, "there are two smiles." I looked back at that couple the next minute and saw two more. I tried it again, and again, and then again, and every time there were two very plain smiles. The smiles were beginning to count up fast. "They think they'll make me believe that each time I look there are two new smiles. I'll just watch all the little and see about it." Have any of you ever tried to walk up the hill backwards? Some fellow had put a stone in my pathway or perhaps it was the hand of Providence. My best hit at that stone and I sat flat in the middle of the road with my books and papers scattered all around. There was a big crowd of people around and I think that only one in the crowd didn't have a smile. I didn't try to count them, but I saw them—more than I wanted to see, too.

I went on into chapel and saw quite a number of smiles. Even on the platform I saw quite a lot of smiles exchanged. "I know we will have exams today," thought I, "the teachers have much knowing smiles." I began to think about the questions that some of 'em might ask and didn't see any more smiles for some time. During the rest of the day I carefully noted the faces of my fellow pupils and made written or mental records of each one that I detected. I guess I'm not a pessimist now," I said, "I have seen so many sickening smiles today that my head is almost ready to swim."

That night at the supper table I decided to settle the question once and for all. "Say fellows," I said, "I have watched good today and saw more smiles than I could count." A look of surprise went round the table and finally came back to me. "Well, dummy," said one, "what of that?" "You have been calling me a pessimist and I don't deserve that name any longer for I do see smiles," I answered. Would you believe it, every fellow at that table laughed and they said that looking at all those smiles had not made a particle of difference. I bet they don't look for 'em any more; had rather be a pessimist than go through that ordeal again.

Men's new style Straw hats, special prices, $2.25 down to 75c.

How are you patriotic?

Have you ever stopped to think that the time for the Denton debate is almost here? I've heard of the subject as the days of Normal life come and go. Has it occurred to you that the debaters have a very slim chance of winning, if they are unsupported?

Last fall, when our boys went forth to battle on the football field, we showed them by our deeds that we were going to stand by them. We were not afraid to use our voices when we felt that we were cheering our boys. Are we willing to let only two of our boys "go" it alone and not make their little fight that they have our confidence and esteem?

We cannot afford to lose in the debate. And we are not going to lose. S. W. T. N. has won in the last three contests. With such a record behind us and such debaters in the field we WILL WIN.

House all of your school spirit and self-pride and show the debaters that beyond a doubt you have interest at heart and they will nobly respond. If you do this, Denton is sure to go down in defeat. She will then be compelled to look upon S. W. T. N. as her leader. Show your spirit and soon old S. W. T. N. will be considered the leader in the Texas Normal family.

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THE BETTER LINES.
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At five o'clock the girls met at the Normal and then from there they went to a beautiful spot on the river. Each girl brought with her a delightful lunch and a tip cup. Upon reaching the picnic grounds, a blazing fire and a large vessel of boiling coffee were discovered, while several girls were each busily engaged in cutting slices of bacon to broil, and some light bread to eat with it.

Miss Alfred had her kodak and snapped a number of pictures of the merry crowd. Some of the braver of the party got into some boats tied near by and had their pictures taken for their parents. Another view was of the girls around the supper table.

Each girl procured a suitable stick and broiled several slices of bacon over the camp-fire. The bacon was then placed where it would remain warm until the table was spread. A large raft was tied near the camp-fire and supper was spread on it and the girls crowded around the charming spread. Some anxiety was at first entertained about the raft sinking with such a large number of people. By the heavier members of the crowd staying on the side near the bank, the raft stayed well above the water. The girls then proceeded to apply the delicacies before them to the personal, immediate comfort.

Coffee was passed around and each person present ate until she could eat no more. The remainder of the重复 was then collected and a committee selected to give it to a needy family.

Immediately after they had finished eating, Miss White insisted that all join in singing "Sevanee River." Under the circumstances, this was a difficult task, but soon some of the girls started and all joined in as best they could.

The girls then united in giving fifteen rafts for Miss Knox, fifteen for Miss Alfred, fifteen for Miss White, and fifteen for Miss Paris, a guest. Miss White suggested that they yell for the Association and then for "All of us." This was done, and then the tired but merry crowd wound its way slowly homeward. Each person declaring that they had spent a very pleasant afternoon.

New White Buck-Pumps, pair $2.50. Also In Linen, Canvas, Alex L. Adams.

One man who had never advertised got results the first day after he was advertised in the Star. He is now a constant advertiser. Others can get just as good results.

On March 26, the Domestic Science girls had a most delightful breakfast. They came to the building at 7 o'clock, the first one who arrived making the fire.

Each one had a hand-painted menu card of her own make with her. The menu was as follows:

- Sliced oranges with cherry
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Six Collins for 35c. Adams.

The best Shoes for man or woman for a lesser price. Alex L. Adams.

See the White Hose, in gauze, silk and flannel; pair 25c and 50c. Alex L. Adams.

There are two new students with us now: Mrs. Bertha Turner and Miss Ellen Graham, both of Bryan.

Adams sells for cash and always something new for young ladies.

American Lady Corsets, the best, and all new models, '11 to '15. Alex L. Adams.

Pretty and dainty, come 6 in a box. Ladiess’ Handkerchiefs, for only 35c. Alex L. Adams.

Mr. Stunfield (in Philosophy class) — How many toes has a horse, Mr. Quillian?
Mr. Q—F—F—four.

The Lyceum number last Saturday night was one of the best that we have had this year. There is to be another soon.

The Summer School Bulletin will soon be in the office. If you have any friends coming to the Normal next summer, send them one.

The Senior Play is reported to be the “best out.” They are working hard with it, trying to give it the best they can. We are sure it will be good.

Mr. Turner was heard by his room-mate coming heavily up the stairs backwards. The cause was picture of his “Normal hair.”

NOTES FROM OTHER COLLEGES

According to Professor Taylor, of Washington, no graduates of Vassar have ever been involved in divorce proceedings.

McGill University of Montreal, Canada, has set aside five days to be devoted to the raising of $1,500,000 from students, alumni and friends, for the University.

According to the latest reports, California and Stanford Universities are discussing the reinstatement of the standard American football game in place of the rugby game now played.

Two students at Michigan declined Phi Beta Kappa last June, thus causing the rumor that honor societies were to be abolished at that university. Present sentiment, however, seems to be in favor of their retention.

The University has taken steps to increase the circulation of The New Yorker, the college weekly paper, by giving a subscription for 2,000 copies. These are to be distributed gratuitously among the alumni who are not already subscribers to the paper. It is hoped by this means that the weekly and at the same time to bring the alumni into closer touch with the work of the University.

Vanderbilt Webb won the highest scholarship honors at Yale on this year’s philosophical oration. He is the first millionaire’s son to be elected to Phi Beta Kappa at Yale. William Harriman, son of the late Edward Harriman, also received a mark of distinction for study.

The Yale chapter of Phi Beta Kappa has adopted some changes in the method of election. Under the old rules, elections to Phi Beta Kappa could be obtained by maintaining a mark of 320 (on a scale of 400) for freshmen and sophomore years; by maintaining an average of 330 for junior and senior years, or by earning a stand of 350 for senior year alone.

Under the system as it now stands it is possible to win an election by maintaining an average in scholarship of 320 for any two consecutive years during the first three years of college, or by having a 350 for the work of senior year. It is felt that by this change the men will be treated more fairly who have not studied hard during the freshman year, but who have an ambition aroused by the beginning of the sophomore year to try for high honors.

A new paper called the Ohio State Weekly appeared on the campus for the first time recently. It is published by an organization of non-fraternity men, the Commons Club. It is a five-column, four-page sheet, issued on Tuesday and sold on the campus for two cents.

At the February meeting of the Yale Corporation, a Committee of twenty-one graduates was appointed to consider the question of erecting a stadium in accordance with the wishes of the Alumni.

The University of Wisconsin senior class members are divided into “bell” and “anti-bell” factions. One group, joined by most of the girls, is for eliminating “bell” from the class yell. The other “bell” group protest against change.

The first college paper ever published in the United States was at Dartmouth. The name of the paper was “The Gazette,” which was published for the first time in August, 1799. Daniel Webster was a contributor at one time.

To All
Normal Girls

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