SAN MARCOS-DENTON DEBATE.

Saturday, April 13, was a big day at the Southwest Texas Normal School,—a day that recorded another victory for our debating team.

For six years teams from the Denton and San Marcos Normal Schools have contested for supremacy on the time honored field of argument and oratory. Twice victory went to Denton, but, at last, by dint of hard work, the San Marcos boys caught the spirit of the conqueror, and for four successive years have vanquished their rivals. Nor have the victories been easy ones. Each year Denison has been represented by strong men, and, in each case, the fight put up has evidenced careful and thorough preparation.

The contest last Saturday evening was no exception. Brown and Carlsile for Denison, defending the affirmative side of the "Income Tax" question, certainly had the "goods"; and it is not to their discredit that Garrett and Gambrill had a better quality and a greater amount of "merchandise." Both Brown and Carlsile reflected credit on themselves and on the school that sent them forth.

It is entirely unnecessary to discuss the speeches of Ganderell and Garrett. They both measured up to the best traditions of the best Normal School in Texas. Of course, we expected them to win. Both are pleasing and gifted speakers, and both had made preparation limited only by the resources at their command. Their names are among those who have brought great honor to this school.

The judges were, Judge Dibrell, Austin; Senator Wehnert, Berlin; and Hon. Carlos Bee, San Antonio. The feeling was intense while they were deliberating, and it was indeed a "thrilling moment" when the decision was announced giving the victory to the "negative." Mathilasen reigned. The victors were carried through the auditorium on the shoulders of their admiring friends. None of the less loyal were the "followers" from Denton. In the same way they showed appreciation of their representatives, although they had gone down in defeat.

It was indeed a splendid occasion.

Rivalry was keen, but it was all in the best of humor; the victory was expected and thoroughly appreciated, but never was vanquished foe treated more kindly.

It all turned out as it should.

WHEN THE GIRLS ENTERTAINED.

On last Saturday afternoon was given one of the most delightful receptions in the history of the Normal, the five girls' societies entertaining their friends from North Texas, and representatives from the Harris-Bair and Chautauqua societies.

The house was ideal, bright, skies and balmy breezes, all favorable to mirth and good feeling. The walls of the gymnasium were decorated with college pennants and long flags of white and green were interwoven with our warmer Maroon and Gold, while bands of flowers perfumed the air.

Musicians from the various societies added much to the general pleasure, while the ubiquitous "Casey Jones" was very much in evidence—to the delight of our guests who candidly admitted that there was none other like him.

The young hostesses had prepared dainty refreshments,—a salad course, followed by cake and cream, served by themselves. Were the needy and ambitious offered on Olympus more delightful than these sweets from the hands of maidens all smiles and blushes and distracting grace? When one takes into account the rosebud garden of girls is it any wonder that many susceptible hearts were touched and that "eyes looked love to eyes that spoke again"?

It was a happy time, long to be remembered, and not the least of these memories is the walk home through the gloaming and the last good-bye at the gate.

THAT LUNCHEON.

"We may live without love, what is life but repeating; but where is the man who can live without dining?"

Last Saturday, acting on this belief, the D. S. girls prepared an elegant luncheon for our friends from Denton, serving it at one o'clock in the dining room of the "Cottage." The menu contained five courses, each better than the other, and daintily served by the most charming waitresses who vied with each other in unobtrusive attention on the guests.

So much good cheer produced a feeling of satisfaction, and when the toasts were proposed much more men were named. It is said that Mr. Thomas had the most fun, but Mr. Birdwell, if not so quick at repartee, was particularly skilful in the use of his knife and fork,—even our worthy principal proved himself a valiant trumpeter.

The affair has proved successful in many ways more than one, for it is the sentiment of every young man who attended that luncheon that "Civilized man cannot live without cooks." Therefore, the half has not been told.

The thanks of the entire school are due Misses Haim and Berry for their kindly interest and for their efficient superintendence of this charming affair. In the words of an editorial writer, "They are a pair to draw to — and, don't forget, Ma'am, Mr. Coxon washed the potatoes."

AN ODE TO THE PLANTERS OF JUNIOR ROW NUMBER TWO.

Some cheer the girls that are fair or fair,
Some, those that are loving and true,
I cheer the girls of the Junior class
That planted row number two.

The day was cold and dreary
(Our class, they are but few),
But the girls went forth and planted
The row.

Junior row, number two.

Yes, there is lettuce, spinach, and radish,
And I believe, some turnips, too.
The A's will be reaped in the last vest time
By the girls of Junior row number two.

A hundred yards is a long, long row
For a kitchen garden, they knew.
But boys, my advice is get you a wife,
A planter of Junior row number two.

THE PRICE OF VICTORY.

One debate is over, another victory is ours; the tumult and the shouting are prolonged, however, until we hear news of another conflict far to the northwest. We feel so confident of a victory there,—because the San Marcos-Canyon team is no whit behind the San Marcos-Denison,—that we are almost inclined to celebrate in a lump. But we have more sense than that. We know that victory is not certain,—not even that Canyon City can put up a stronger team than Zellers and Cherry. We only know that she will have to get up and hustle if she does.

But we started out to draw a moral, let us not get the bighead. There is nothing to get the bighead about. True, that for four years we have had the decision and we ought to have had it; in other words, we have won. But why have we won? Not because we are more brilliant or more blessed than other people; but because we have kept cool and have so highly respected the ability of our antagonists that we knew we must have debaters who could discriminate between the frills and the substance; who could take advice and profit by it; and, above all, who could live up to the Normal motto: WORK. To have such debaters the societies have to a great extent kept dirty politics out of their elections, and have insured themselves that a man who has proved himself to have such debaters the faculty have insisted that in both preparation and presentation the speakers should make practical application of their class training and should be sincere and straightforward in their "art." That is the price we have paid, and in every case we have got our money's worth.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

The societies will hold their annual joint business meeting next Saturday afternoon in the auditorium. This is one of the important meetings of the year. Reports are read and plans made for another year's work; and the societies are thus brought to an acquaintance with the standards and purposes of each other. Besides that, several matters relating to the school and the societies are always discussed and adjusted. This is one of the evidences of the unity of our society work.
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THE VISITORS.
One of the greatest pleasures of
the coming of the San Marcos-Denton
debate to this city is the meet-
ing of the old students who come
back to help celebrate the victory.
This was especially true of the de-
bate last Saturday evening. There
was a large and enthusiastic crowd
of ex-Normilians here chiefly from
the University, and boosting among
their number several men who had
won fame in these very same San
Marcos-Denton debates. Among the
visitors, or rather, I should say the
home-comers, were Messrs. Sutton,
Henderson, Dupuy, Adams, Collins-
worth, Beyer, Loller, Barnes, Sim-
mons, Starling, Trigo, Shankus, Gil-
more, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Koe-
ges, Misses Ethel Weid, Elin Joe-
ner, Pecahontas Sullivan, and many
others. All were welcomed by a host
of friends, and experienced one of
the delights of their lives Satur-
day night when San Marcos, for the
fourth successive time, waved her
banner in triumph over Denton.

Mr. Wade—"Miss A., do you like
to look at harpoons?"
Miss A.—"Harponeas!"
Mr. Wade—"Yes, these funny pic-
tures in Sunday papers."

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TWO WAYS.
(Actual happening in his school.)
She was just a little school girl
As pretty as could be,
She smiled at every one she met,
And even smiled at me.

She came to school one autumn morn
And, almost out of breath,
Her name she said to me that day,
Was Miss Elizabeth.

"Twas a pretty name for a little girl,
But I almost lost my breath
When she wrote the name in class
for me,
As Miss Lizzie Beth.

Shaver (in English Class)—
"What is a Subordinate Clause?"
Miss Forister—"It is one that can
not stand alone."

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Mr. Barth (moving closer)—"I have two tickets."

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Miss E. (reviewing for a test in E-5)—What is a sentence, Miss C.?  
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