Miss Pitts a Graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts.

From the Applied Arts Bulletin of January, 1917, we quote the following:
"Miss Kate Pitts has recently been appointed head of the Art Department of the San Marcos Normal School. Miss Pitts is an artist of marked ability as well as a strong, successful teacher. She designed for Atkinson, Mentzela & Company a series of Christmas Cards in outline for school use which have been very successful and has made illustrations for a publication which will appear at an early date.

"Miss Pitts is a student of the Applied Arts Summer School and a graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts. Previously to her studies in Chicago she had been a successful teacher in Texas and it is most gratifying to the people of her native state that she chose to return to them after completing her work in Chicago.

Entertainment by the Metropolitan Quartet.

Again the Normal students were able to enjoy a real treat, when, Saturday, January 20, the fourth number of the Lyceum course was presented in the Normal auditorium. Having had this company before, the occasion was looked forward to with real pleasure; and surely no one was disappointed.

The program consisted of a variation of solos, duets, and other selections. While the whole program was a success, the bass and tenor selections were most enthusiastically received by the audience. In short the company admirably succeeded in rendering the most wholesome of entertainments.

It is just such evenings that brings closer home the fact that no student can afford to miss the remaining numbers of this course.

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Election of Pedagog Staff

The election on Wednesday in which over four hundred votes were polled was perhaps the most interesting one of the year. From 8:00 in the morning till 4:30 in the afternoon students gathered in the office lobby to try their hand at manipulating the voting machinery, and so well did they succeed that a surprisingly small per cent. found their way into the mutilated stack.

One notable feature of the election was the lack of interest shown by a large per cent. of the young ladies of the school. (Of course things will be different when we get women suffrage.)

At the final count at 4:30 the results were as follows:

Editor in chief:
- Raymond Gorlin, 219
- C. T. Davis, 178

Library Editor:
- Evelyn Davidson, 318
- Howard Parker, 84

Business Manager:
- Kally Watkins, 128
- N. B. Beard, 274

Art Editor:
- Lucy Wallace—being no opposition the vote was unanimous.

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Seniors Take Notice.

"Lives of Seniors all remind us We can make our live sublime And by asking foolish questions Take up all the teacher's time Ex."

"The Merchant of Venice."

While all students would have been disappointed if permission to see The Merchant of Venice had not been granted to them, they were in doubt as to another important factor connected with this matter. But when Mr. Evans suggested that nobody was expected to be loitering around a — boarding house after 10:30 a mutual understanding seemed to take place at once. Thanks to Mr. Evans for both privileges.

Those who have never seen this play have a small notion of what it is. A sight of the good Antonio, of the revengeful Shylock is sufficient to send a multiplicity of sensations through his being. He cannot keep from sympathising with Bassanio, and he also joins in loving Portia. Though we have read Portia's speech a thousand times it was grand. And the emotional Launcelot made the audience roar with laughter. The role of Shylock, by the eminent actor Kellard, the exceeding the most difficult, was unquestionably the best executed. Shylock is a character the likeness of whom is not to be found. It is our good fortune that Shakespeare wrote "some poetry."

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Normal Sport Pot.

Baseball practice will begin soon. Let's remember there are many among the 'greeners.'

Third base men seem to be plentiful this year. We are told to have them from "the big show."

The "Scrubs" have received their letters and are not ashamed to wear them.

Pep! pep! pep!! Fifteen for pep! That's what we need. Our lacking pep caused us to lose to the "Baptists" Tuesday. Again fifteen for pep! Let's show everybody who's who in San Marcos.

DeViney said the reason he did not stand up any more in Tuesday's game was because his "stabilizer was not in working condition."

"Vaccination?"

"Oh, that terrible inconvenience will eventually become a pleasure."

By Our "Perkins."

Normal Plays Academy.

The Normal basket ball team was defeated on their own grounds last Tuesday, 23, by the Baptist Academy. The score was rather one sided, 28 to 10 in the victor's favor; Normal was not in the best playing condition.

Eason for Normal had the misfortune to sprain an ankle at the beginning of the game. Freshauer and Gipson played a good game at guards. The boys could not get the correct angle from which to aim.

Now if Normal wants a winning basket ball team she has got to support it. There were roosters enough out, but they failed to supply an sufficient amount of pep.

Box, Taylor, and Harlson did the best work for Academy.

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As an experiment in promoting a much needed reform in spelling, The Star is using the recommended form of simplified spelling in its editorial columns.

Since the facilities of The Star for gathering the local news are inadequate, we appeal to the student body for aid. If any student learns of an incident that is of general interest to the school, he could not render us a greater service than dropping a report of it in The Star box.

We would like to have such reports signed. While we will not promise to publish all manuscripts received, we also, solicit poems, or articles on any subject a person may choose to write on.

One of the most popular events of the school year, perhaps, is that known as the Colonial Pageant. This grand entertainment is given by the combined societies of the school. Each year the two boy's societies unite with the five girls' societies to commemorate the doing of the Colonial days.

As the date for the Pageant is near at hand, it is necessary for preparation to begin at once. It takes more than a week's time to install stage sets in the awkward figure of a youth for him to successfully dance the minuet. Such being the case, we wish to urge the societies to take up this matter at once.

Fu, perhaps, realize how tardy we are in getting started to work on our year book. It is asserted without fear of contradiction that we are slower in beginning this work than any school of college rank. When we pause to consider this, should we not be concerned in the matter.

As a result of our procrastination the staff will begin its work with the consciousness that its time is limited. Such a handicap, of course, does not imply that our able staff will not turn out a splendid annual. To make up for the delays every student should feel a personal interest in the work to the extent that he will be ready and willing to render any assistance possible.

It is doubtful if there are any in our ranks who do not possess an adequate capacity for the full appreciation of a college year book. Those who already own one or more Pedagog's consider them of inestimable value. Such a person only needs to take a peak into the depths of its covers to enjoy a treat; instantaneously a host of pleasant memories come crowding into his mind. If a Pedagog of but one, or two year's age is of so much value, surely one of twenty years' age will be cherished with fondness one does a cur tail treasure.

Just received a new line of white goods and shirtings for Spring at Harrison's, E. Side of Plano.

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Miss Mattie L. Watkins.

"By a vote of 9 to 2," says the Daily Texan, "a committee of the Teachers' Association recently recommended the passage of a law taking from the University of Texas the privilege of fixing standards for high school affiliation in this state and placing it wholly within the jurisdiction of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction under a law to be requested of the present session of the legislature.

This might be considered a step toward the establishment of practical education in the high schools.

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But the soul that resolves to will One Aim makes heavy and imperious call on the nature of things.

Some Aim has luck on its side; one aim has law.
Some aim may achieve great things, and occasionally it does; One Aim cannot fail to make the nature of things its own

William Pitt was in fact born with a definite aim in life. “From a child,” says a recent writer, “he was made to realize that a great career was expected of him, worthy of his renowned father. This was the keynote of all his instructions.”

General Grant is said to have been called “Useless Grant” by his mother. He discovered himself at Shiloh, after pottering with hides and leather which was not even preliminary. But Grant always “stuck to the thing in hand,” so far as it was worth while doing so. “The great thing about him,” said Lincoln, “is cool persistency of purpose. He is not easily excited, and he has the grip of a bulldog. When he once gets his teeth in nothing can shake him off.”

The One Aim is always commentary on character. It is not difficult to see why life needs

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Till you play for the playing's sake.

Friend of my heart, young friend, with eyes and brain
Nor strained nor stained with things that wreck and mar,
How valiantly you play the game of life.

The many games that fill your heart and mind.
Pause here a while with me and let us watch
The other players on this crowded field.

See yonder football team? They came to win,
And when they lost some wert and others swore,
But the star player, he that smashed the lines
And took the pigskin almost to the goal,
Bloody and bruised, he smiles and is content.
For, "win or lose," it was a glorious game.

Behold that merchant, cold and calm and keen,
Watching his clerks and counting up his gain,
He's rich. He might retire and live in ease,
But still he plays with worn-out nerves and brain.
You call him miser? Nay, it is not so.
His heart and soul, my lad, are in the game.

And that girl there with alabaster cheeks
Through which the bright blood from her ruddy heart
Burns dimly like a perfumed taper's flame,
Fighting against a world of hungry men.

Ever on guard to save her name and soul
How skilfully she plays for wealth and place.
And lands her man, and then
In lightsome mood,
Let's the poor devil go and plunges back
Once more into the all-absorbing race,
Risking her all and spending precious years.

Just for the fascination of the name.
Now take the ladie's man, the libertine—
(Your pardon, boy, no offense was meant)
I had no thought to make this personal.)
He uses all his energy and mind,
His money and his manhood, yea his soul,
And stakes all these and oft
His very life
To win some woman's heart, and having won
He turns away and seeks another flame.
'Tis not the prize he loves;
It is the game.

So each one plays for some favored prize—
Pleasure or wealth or fame;
And the prize seems good to the player's eyes,
But oh for the game! the game!!

—Uncle.

Fresh Pecans, Hofheinz.

Komenisky XVII Elects New Officers.

At a meeting Wednesday afternoon the club elected the following officers:
August Kacio, President; Willie Bohuslav, vice-president; Angellia Skripka, secretary; Josie Janda, treasurer; Annie Janda, critic; Francis Bordovsky, Rosy Rohan, and A. W. Darliek, reporters.

The club is beginning the new year with fresh enthusiasm, and is anticipating much pleasure and profit from its meetings.

—A. W. D., Reporter.

"I hope you will find your daughter much improved since she went to college."
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