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FOOTBALL MANAGERSHIP CAUSES EXCITING ELECTION.

H. S. Morrow Carries Election With Small Majority.

One of the most exciting elections of the year was held Saturday, March 6, at a Booster's meeting when ballots were cast for the manager of the 1920 football team. Mr. Richardson, as athletic director, presiding.

Four men were nominated as candidates, three by the Athletic Council, including K. P. Walker, H. S. Morrow and Wm. C. Rich; while the other L. L. Wyatt, was nominated, in the meeting, as the fourth man in the race.

The votes having been counted, it was suggested by the chairman that the two lowest men be dropped, and that the leader in the election, with his closest second, be given a second contest. This motion was carried, causing a second election to be held between the leader of the first election, Mr. Morrow, and Mr. Rich as second man, so that a majority might be obtained rather than a plurality.

The second ballot showed a majority in favor of Mr. Morrow, greater than his plurality at first.

Mr. Morrow was very appreciative of the honor which had been bestowed upon him and he stated that he would start to work immediately to arrange the best possible schedule for the coming season.

Let us hope that nothing but victories can be recorded on the list for next year, and look out to the coming season as the greatest of all.

CABINET ELECTION DATE APPROACHING.

Y. M. C. A. Officers for Coming Year to Be Chosen March 15.

According to the by-laws and constitution of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, the election of officers of the Y. M. C. A. is scheduled to take place March 15 each year.

The Y. M. C. A. having been a guiding influence in the lives of the students for years, requires the very best of material to carry on this organized work which has been such a potent factor in the institution. The influence of the Y. M. C. A. in our midst, has become so marked that at times its presence can be felt working in our lives as a silent companion.

On account of the responsibility which this election carries with it, The Sou'wester wishes to impress the seriousness of the matter upon the minds of all and to stimulate interest ahead of time.

The Sou'wester, though not caring to seem too forward in the matter, but only to help the body for which it stands to decide a matter of much importance would like to suggest the names of S. P. McCutchen, Wm. C. Rich and Harmon A. Ayers as good men for the presidency. K. P. Walker and H. Y. Kitchell for secretary-treasurer.

FINANCIAL PROBLEMS IN NATIONAL LIFE.

Extract from Address by Mr. W. M. Lewis, Director, Savings Division, U. S. Treasury Department.

Shaken out of the lethargy of routine existence by the cataclysm of war, people are thinking more than ever before. Today the supreme question before the world is this, "Will constructive or destructive thought prevail?" If destructive thought prevails, the work of the civilizing forces of the past may crumble beneath the brutish blows of revolution. If constructive thought dominates, the world is to move onward in orderly evolution. Today too many of those who should lead in constructive thought are standing impotent and afraid amid the clamor of the destructionists, weakly inquiring: "What will the end be? Is society to be dismantled and government overthrown?"

The war has made no change in the abiding laws of truth and justice and progress. Let the truth be proclaimed fearlessly and unceasingly and from us the spectre of destruction will vanish. The American school, if it accepts its opportunity for leadership in constructive thought will play a colossal part in steadying our great nation; in promoting the welfare of our citizenry. "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

It is my privilege to suggest one field in which the great educational system of America may accept this opportunity—may be the most effective instrument in strengthening our national life.

I make no apology for the crude sounding title of my address, "Dollar Education," because I am thoroughly convinced that if America is to solve the problems which now confront her, there must be a better popular understanding of money matters than has ever before prevailed.

Out of the experiences of war has come the realization that financial problems are to become an increasingly important factor in American life. The economic conditions worrying the world in the period of reconstruction can only be righted by the universal understanding of the principles of economics. That these principles are not generally understood or applied is demonstrated by the period of extravagance and waste and decreased production through which we are now passing. The war has left us with a financial burden. It has created an indebtedness which, together with a decreased stock of world goods, brings about inflation of currency and credit. The remedy of this condition lies in the development of more capital through individual savings and through restoring the stock of goods by increased production of essentials. It is obvious to anyone at all familiar with American youth that he is not awake to the im-

BASEBALL CAPTAIN ELECTED.

McClanahan Carries Election With Two-Thirds Majority.

The election of the captain of the baseball team for the coming season was held Saturday morning, March 6, when six members of last year's baseball team were present who were eligible for the vote.

The election was carried on by secret ballot, no nomination being made. Wm. McClanahan was elected with four votes, Carlyle Thomas receiving the other two.

The Sou'wester congratulates Mr. McClanahan for the honor of being captain of his team in his sophomore year, and wishes him the best of success in the coming season.

portance of these sound economic principles of working and saving.

A little while ago I rode East with a father who told me of the motor car which he has presented his boy for Christmas, and of other luxuries with which he had surrounded him. My inquiry as to his object in giving the youth so much brought out the statement that the father had, as a boy, to work hard for every cent that he obtained, that he had missed many pleasures, and that he was resolved that his boy should not have the experience which he had gone through, that everything should be provided for the lad's comfort. It had not occurred to this man that in having every whim satisfied the youth was being deprived of that education which made the father a successful and prosperous man—education in the value of the dollar, education in the dignity of honest labor. I say to you that it is these two things—knowledge of the value of money and an appreciation of the dignity of honest labor—which American youth must learn if he is to have the capacity to master the manifold problems which confront us.

PHILOSOPHY CLUB ENJOYS PAPER.

E. H. Bragg Discusses Popular Subject.

In the following, we reproduce a paper read at the regular meeting of the Philosophy Club, Tuesday, March 2, which proved an interesting subject for discussion:

"It should be the aim of all people, especially those of us who are acquiring a college education, to act and be governed by our intellect, and not, as dumb animals, by instincts and emotions alone.

"To act intelligently means to judge and act in every given circumstance in a way that will bring beneficial or good results, not alone to ourselves, but to society. It is the business of intellect or reason to harness or control our instincts and emotions. It is true that we must live an instinctive and emotional life, but we are fortunate in having a reason, even though it be a small part of us, which can organize our instinctive

LETTER MEN TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Names of Basketball Stars Will Appear in The Sou'wester Soon.

The basket ball season, having been closed some ten days ago, will probably have its letter men announced in the next issue of The Sou'wester. Watch for the men who have earned their S, through untiring and skillful efforts, in their loyalty to the team.

The past season, with a winning team and an excellent schedule, has been, in the eyes of all, most successful; and an interesting summary will appear in the next issue.

A CORRECTION.

The Sou'wester wishes to make a correction of an error, which appeared in the issue of March 3.

Prof. R. S. Radford, who was elected vice-president of the Tennessee Philological Association, is from the University of Tennessee, instead of Tennessee College.

life to our own good. Reason does the same to our instincts as a driver does in handling a car.

"The majority of us are too prone to be influenced and governed by traditions, customs and conventions, but as soon as we are intelligent enough to allow reason to govern our actions, these traditions and customs will become secondary, while intelligent actions will become primary.

"A great many people confuse intelligence and mere knowledge. A man may have acquired a great many facts, and his knowledge may be abundant, but unless he assimilates this knowledge in order to use it in his actions, his actions are just as much a result of ignorance as the man who has no knowledge.

"If it is true that intelligence is so important to make us happy, to make us live well, to enable us to derive the greatest amount of well-being and the least amount of misery, then it is of great importance to emphasize the part intelligence plays in our struggle for existence. If this fact is true, then it is immoral, in fact vicious and detrimental to every one of us, to make believe, even though it be in our popular amusements that our happiness can be attained by powers which are contrary to that of intelligence. It is criminal to portray the problems and struggles of our everyday life in terms of magic, or some unintelligent powers, and if it be true that in life such things as virtuous or moral living, righteousness of endeavor, conscientiousness, love of beauty and truthfulness, sometimes or most of the time perish rather than succeed their end, then let us, even in our dream life, as manifested in our amusements, describe our struggles on earth in their true light, rather than in make-believe life, which gives the young a bad impression of what they are up against in this world (Continued on page 2, 2d column.)

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ELECTION SEASON.

Though the North wind blows with all the fierceness it could have manifested in the bleak days of December, we have very reason to believe that springtime is drawing nigh, and we will soon be enjoying the soft, balmy days of a sane vernal season, we hope.

The spirit, which always is most evident at this time of the year, is, and rightly should be, of very keen rivalry between the students. Last week the election season was opened with the choosing of the future football manager, which, from the close race ensuing, aroused enough interest to make everyone hold their breath, awaiting the final result.

The election of the football manager is one of the most important of the year, and it is pleasing to note the real interest which was displayed by all, concerning the final outcome. This, however, was only the beginning of the election season which is to follow. All the other offices for the coming year are yet to be filled, and it is well to begin to consider these things.

Besides the offices which require not only popularity, but ability on the part of the ones chosen to fill them, comes the election of the King and Queen of the Carnival. While this election may not be held in the immediate future, it is one toward which all have been looking with the greatest of interest.

Let us bear in mind particularly the election of the managers for the remaining teams, as well as the president of the Boosters' Club.

SOUTHWESTERN HONORED.

Southwestern has been honored within the last two weeks in being the seat of two noteworthy conventions, both of which have been great successes.

The gathering which convened here February 27 and 28, of the Tennessee Association of Philologists, bringing scholarly representatives from all portions of the state, has caused much favorable comment.

The Province Iota Convention of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, which met here March 8 and 9, and brought representatives of students from practically every collegiate institution of note in the states of Kentucky and Tennessee.

These gatherings would be heartily welcomed anywhere, and accomplish much in putting other institutions in touch with Southwestern, in a way which would not otherwise be possible.

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of ours. To emphasize this point more explicitly, I will cite some specific examples.

"Take, for example, the average romance of today, which is enjoyed and believed in by the people who read it. It portrays the marvelous power of love, that gives a man abnormal strength and courage, so they conquer many difficulties beyond their power, as climbing up the side of a burning structure to rescue their beloved, or diving from a high cliff into the sea to save their loved ones. But the facts of life are that such feats are impossible, yet still we believe in and enjoy them. The same is true of the beautiful woman pictured in our romances, who by her beauty paralyzes the villain, preventing him from committing a crime.

"In the spoken drama and the moving pictures we also shamefully misuse our intelligence. In the average drama the hero who does right, and suffers untold hardships, is always rewarded. The man who acts justly and honestly, and is fair in his dealings with society, is also portrayed as a hero who always receives his just reward. Take, for example, one of Sutro's plays, "The Man on the Kerb." The author ended the play with a portrayal of the suffering of the starving family of the man who found a well-filled purse, but because of his honesty returned it to the authorities. Now, our modern drama would have the man and his family rewarded for his honest act, and given money and a good position. But all intelligent people know that this is not the usual way of life. Our amusements show life as it should be, and not as it really is.

"This portrayal of life as ideal, and not as it really is, is very harmful and misleading. Many young people attend our places of amusement, especially the motion picture theaters, and there get a very distorted view of life. It may be thought very fine to show virtue always triumphant, but when a child or youth, raised up with such impressions, goes out into the world to fight his own battles, he is cruelly deceived, and this deception, after many years of training to the contrary, is an unnecessary disillusionment for him. This untrue representation of life is a prime factor in the many unfortunate and criminal incidents of life.

"Now, may I ask you, shall we enjoy amusements which picture to us a make-believe world which doesn't exist, or rather should we enjoy life as it really is. You may say, 'Well, we know life as it is, and want something different,' but you know as well as I do that we don't know life as it is, and the sooner we learn the better. If we do know life as it is, why are we so disappointed and surprised with the hard knocks of life when we come in contact with them. Let us stop dreaming and making believe, because good living demands a struggle, and a hard struggle at that, and wouldn't it be better to know life as it is, act it as it is, and face it as it is, so that we may not make pitiful mistakes, if not, in fact, dangerous ones.

"And, after all, isn't life itself, if you understand it, more complex and interesting, more heart-grIPPING than the thrilling West-

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JAZZY JOKES.

In a recent edition of the paper I noticed Mr. Joe Love was asking for information as to how to keep a girl in Clarksville and also one at home. I would like to ask Mr. Love how he finds it so easy to keep even one girl?—H. Y. Kitchell.

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—Lost? Strayed? or Stolen?— ???—One jewel pin belonging to Horace Kitchell. Any information as to its whereabouts will be greatly appreciated.

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Margaret Trahern, while hastily reading her French in chapel a few days ago, was heard to ask, 'Wonder how I will be able to get over all of this book?'

Bill Crowe, answering very cutely, said: 'Sit on it.'

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Dority: "Can you lend me a fiver?"

Walker: "Impossible! I've tried to lend you some money several times, but you always seem to look at it as a gift."

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This is what happened to a Calvin Hallite the other night when calling on a popular young girl of the city:

The young brother brought him a glass of water and asked him to have some. He drank it, and the small boy, watching him, exclaimed:

"He doesn't, does he, sister?"

"Doesn't what?"

"Papa said he drinks like a fish, but he doesn't."

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ern two-reel, which gives you a distorted view, and drives you to the West only to be disappointed. Isn't it true that we like the present sort of amusements because we haven't had any other, and I am willing to assume that once we develop the habit of facing life square in the face we will get more enjoyment from acting it and reading it in our popular amusements. Our amusements will then not only become a source of joy and relaxation to us, but also a source of knowledge."

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Mr. Frank Ashby, who went home for the holidays last month, has been detained on account of the illness of his mother.

Mr. Howard Adger, who has been confined to his bed for the last two weeks with the flu, has been moved to the City Hospital, where it is hoped he will show rapid improvement.

Mr. James Culberson is now able to be up, after an illness of over two weeks.

Prof. L. I. MacQueen returned to school on Monday, to resume his classes, after an attack of the flu.

Mr. Edward Downing has returned, after spending a few days at home.

PLUCK.

When things are running cross-wise and the engine's out of gear,

When the road is rough and rocky and the sky is far from clear, When you're plainly up against it and you're surely out of luck, That's the time to use your courage and to show your stock of pluck.

Most anyone can travel on a road that's smooth and clear, And anyone can get there if he only has to steer,

But when motor's bulky and you're running in the muck, If you're ever going to get there you must call upon your pluck.

There's no thrill in easy sailing when the skies are clear and blue,

There's no joy in merely doing things which anyone can do.

But there is some satisfaction that is mighty sweet to take, When you reach a destination that you thought you'd never make.

So when everything's against you and your plans are going wrong,

Just face the situation and keep moving right along—

Don't sit down and wait and whimper, even tho you may be stuck,

You're not absolutely helpless if you still possess your pluck.

—EDGAR A. GUEST.

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OH, WHAT JOY!

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Ellen Henry: "Why, it's only six o'clock. I told you to come after supper."

Cyril Wilson: "Well, that's what I did come after."

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Ferguson: "Professor, why is grammar feminine in French?"

Dr. Townsend: "Because it gives us so much trouble."

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