

This Week, Johnny Won't Find A Stage Door

By Ikey Gillespie

Have you ever wondered just what goes on behind the curtain between acts and how the quick change artists really operate? So has this reporter.

W. A. Moore, director, couldn't promise anything from the quick change angle, but so far as curtains are concerned, the audience will not be bothered with them.

The three-act play entitled "Soldier's Wife" and beginning a three-day run at Cousins Hall starting at 8:15 Wednesday evening, will give the people at West Texas a chance to see "Intimate Theater" in operation here for the first time since 1941.

"Many of us like to dress up for this production affords an excellent opportunity for those with vivid imagination to give it a good exercising. Since all that goes on "behind the scenes" will have to be done without any scenery and right

in the center of the audience, it should prove interesting to see just how it comes about.

The cast, made up of five advanced speech majors, includes: Jack Walker and Joy Cain in the leads, with Bill Robinson, Margaret

Miller, and Shirley Byars.

certain occasions," mused Mr. Moore, "so we decided to have opening night a formal, long-dress affair; however, the next two nights, on Thursday and Friday, will be semi-formal."

Betty Fields, Broadway actress, holds the current record for cues in the theatrical world with a number of 600. However, Joy Cain becomes a close rival in her role as Jack Walker's wife with over 500 cues.

Tickets will be on sale today, in the main hall of the Administration building, and since the audience capacity at Cousins is rather limited, only 100 tickets will be available for sale each night. Admission price will be 60 cents per person.

Classed as one of the ten best plays of 1945, "Soldier's Wife," given on Broadway and written by the author of the Claudia and David series, is a sparkling, modern drama, so new it was difficult to obtain the right of production here.

Mr. Moore asserts that a number of representatives from Amarillo's "Little Theater" will be here to see the production.

Soldier's Wife



JOY CAIN
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THE PRAIRIE

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Potential Politics Clamors for Campus Attention

Guest Conductor



MAX M. MITCHELL, who will be here next week to direct high school students in a 95-piece, all-star band. Head of the Department of Music at Oklahoma A & M, Mitchell will demonstrate his ability as cornet soloist.

Band Projects Three Programs

Swing Band Will Have KGNC Appearances Saturday, 1:45-2

Reaching a high-pitch speed in its tempo of activity, the band department is busy planning three new projects, avers M. J. Newman, director.

Most immediate of the three is presentation of the Variety Show, sponsored by the Canyon Lions' Club. With J. W. Walker as master of ceremonies, the entertainers will give two programs next week—one Monday night at the Canyon High School, and one Tuesday evening at 8:15, in the college auditorium.

Handling ticket sales are members of the Student Senate, who will apply proceeds from the duets purchasable at 60 cents per student to a fund for the Randall County Library. Included in the company are showmen Rosie Bates, LaNell Ekelund, Bill Hutchison, Thelma Mercer and Virginia Hunter.

One week from Saturday, the department will be host to several hundred high school musicians here to participate in a band clinic.

Third cause for extra planning and practicing is in the swing division, where the West Texas Collegians have merited a 15-minute broadcast over KGNC each Saturday afternoon beginning March 1. During the sustaining program, the Collegians will have time for about four numbers, writes Bob Watson, station manager.

Bandsters Publish Bi-Weekly Paper

The Crescendo, a new publication which will be mimeographed twice each week, is sponsored by the Omega Tau fraternity and is guaranteed to keep musicians, "Hep to the Step of the Times."

Articles ranging from "Platter Chatter" to "Long Hair Stuff" are scattered profusely throughout the pages of the first copy of Crescendo, which appeared last Wednesday.

There is even a section for advice on, How to Win the One and Only, How to Treat an Ingrowing Hair, or any other problem that the men who make the music have. Not only that, there is a half page of stale jokes for those who like a bit of humor between toots on the horn or beats on the drum.

Editor-in-chief Bill Hutchison is assisted by Bill Latson, Bill "Super" Miller, Ray Nickleson and Joe Merriam. Reporters are Richard Miller, Dick McCune, Glenn Smith, Gerald Smith and Bill Tregoe.

Truax Revises Music Program

Glenn Truax, professor of music, announces the following schedule for the spring semester:

A new string class has been organized for Tuesday and Thursday at 4:30. Mr. Truax asserts that a number of college-owned cellos and string basses are available and violins may be rented at a reasonable rate and that college credit will be given in the course.

Orchestra practice will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3:30. Anyone with experience is urged to attend.

The choir will meet at 12:40 on Monday and Thursday in Room 101. Vocal groups are being formed, one consisting of three men and two women to sing popular music, a men's quartet to sing barber shop style, and a woman's quartet.

Mr. Truax may be contacted in Room 101 of the Administration Building or the band house. He returned to WT last week after a trip to Hollywood to visit his daughter, Arlene, who is currently appearing at the Palladium as one of the Moon Maids in Vaughn Monroe's orchestra.

While in California, Mr. Truax met Teter Schupbach, manager of the Palladium and former WT grid-star.

Methodists Sponsor Youth Activities Week

"Youth and Christian Living" is the theme of the Youth Activities Week being conducted now by the Wesley Foundation of the Methodist Church. Miss Mattie Sue Howell, youth director of the Northwest Texas Conference is here to aid in the projects and to direct the study period.

Meetings begin at 5:45 with a fellowship supper, and end at 9:00, with periods of recreation, study, working and worship held each evening.

Last of the four meetings will be Thursday night. Promoters of the week add that they welcome attendance from as many young people as wish to attend.

Ag Instructor Returns From Dallas Meeting

Aubrey L. Crossland was on-campus again Sunday after a trip to Dallas where he attended the Texas State Vocational Association Meeting to discuss state agricultural educational problems. Mr. Crossland is a past president of the organization.

Randall Hall Selects Dromgoole President

To preside over their meetings this semester, Randall residents have elected Betty Dromgoole, senior from Dalhart.

Other house officers named last week are Lou Britt, vice-president; Margie Bauer, secretary-treasurer; Leona Knutson, vespier chairman; Polly Cool, reporter; and Fern Cunningham, social chairman.

Russell Rates Title Of Royal Duchess In SHSTC Court

Duchess in the West Texas branch of the intercollegiate royal family, Mary Ruth Russell, senior sociology major, will journey to Huntsville next month to participate in coronation services for the personality queen of Sam Houston State Teachers' College.

Originally, the Student Senate appointed her Sun Princess to attend the carnival celebrated in El Paso during the New Year holidays, but the strike prevented her representing the college at those ceremonies.

During its regular meeting Wednesday evening, the Senate appropriated \$30 to defray expenses Mary Ruth will incur in the two-day visit at Huntsville March 18 and 19.

Last spring, West Texas sent both the Duchess and a Duke, Winnie Fred Ramage and B. Raymond Evans. This year, however, according to information received from SHSTC, those who plan the various activities centering around the crowning of the queen will furnish escorts for girls named delegates by the invited schools.

Harpers Display Peru Collection

Representative of the Latin American culture, the exhibit of textiles, silver, costumes, pottery and weapons to go on display at the museum Friday were collected by Dr. and Mrs. Ples Harper during the five years they traveled in Peru and the interior of South America.

Until Sunday, March 2, visitors can study this composite of Peruvian arts and crafts through the sponsorship of the Canyon Chapter of the American Association of University Women.

SCA Announces Monday Meetings

Student Christian Association, an inter-denominational organization, meets each Monday evening at 7 in Room 101. Programs concerning student problems are presented to all students who attend the meetings.

Dr. A. K. Knott and Mrs. T. V. Reeves are the sponsors of the organization, and Norma Lantz is president.

Loula Erdman Addresses Amarillo Organizations

Miss Loula Grace Erdman, member of the English department, was guest speaker last Tuesday at the Junior Women's Club at Amarillo, when she spoke on her recent trip to New York.

On Friday Miss Erdman is scheduled to speak to the Amarillo Study Club, giving one of her own original stories.

Hopfuls Aspire To Seven Offices

Senate Declares Petitions Due Friday, Elections Week Later

In what may prove the most significant election conducted here in several years, students will voice their opinions of able leadership Friday, February 28, when they vote on candidates for seven positions—two Student Association officers, two Senators, two top-raters in the real of personality, and a vice-president for the freshman class.

Only Association leader still in school, Margaret Lair, secretary-treasurer, has announced the Senate decision to set Friday noon as the final deadline for petitions to be left with Registrar D. A. Shirley, who will check nominees for eligibility.

With the end of the semester, West Texas lost both president and vice-president of its organized government: Frank Barrett left to resume farming and Bill Montgomery completed work on his B. B. A. degree. Senate vacancies must be filled in two posts, one of them senior, the other freshman.

Bob Caulwell having taken over the presidency since Dub Burleson quit school, freshmen must name a new vice-president.

Election Sidelight

Outshadowed, perhaps, by the more weighty issues in the impending election, is the selection of a Personality Queen and Personality King to be crowned at the LeMirage Ball Friday evening, March 7, one week following the primary poll.

Complying with the constitution, managers will instigate their campaigns with petitions bearing 25 signatures for officers, 10 for senators. Personality hopefuls may be nominated either through their classmates in special meetings called for that purpose or through petitions signed by 25 backers.

Why Important

Import of the coming opportunity for choice rests in two facts: that this is the first election since the emergence of what observers call "the radical element" and that this is the first election this year in which students actually know the office-seekers for whom they cast their votes.

Official listing of aspirants recognized on the official ballot to be used in the Senate-run election will appear in next week's edition of The Prairie, as will further plans for the coronation dance.

Arizona Campus Host for Rodeo

West Texas State, along with 46 other colleges and universities throughout the west and middlewest, has been invited to the seventh annual inter-collegiate rodeo at the University of Arizona, set this year for March 15-16 at the Tucson rodeo grounds.

One of the major student events of the school year, rodeo activities are carried on during "Go Western Rodeo Week," March 10 to 16. In addition to the two main arena shows, the festivities of the week include a street dance and an all-student square dance on March 14 and 15, an all-school cowboy assembly, and several cowboy contests.

The number one contest is the selection of the most beautiful co-ed cow girl on campus to reign over the activities as rodeo queen. Each girls' hall and sorority competes by selecting its most eligible candidate. At the street dance there is a "smoke" rolling contest for the girls, and a whiskerino contest for the men.

There are events scheduled for the co-eds including the bronck cow pony race, boot and cigar race, potato race, and bareback wrestling. The men will compete in the bareback bronck riding, the wild steer scramble, steer riding, calf roping, team tying, wild cow milking, pony express race, and the wild mule race. There is also a mixed team roping event.

For the show, which is entirely run by students, salty stock is contracted. Trophies and prizes are donated by Tucson businessmen. Entry fees for the events are split among the winners.

This Time the Date Is More Definite, Say Annual Staff

Hugh Mathis, the photographer who was not here Thursday, Friday, and Saturday as announced last week, will be in Room 203S next Monday and Tuesday to take class pictures for Le Mirage.

Those students who enrolled for the first time this semester and those who neglected to have their pictures taken last fall must report on those days if they expect to see their pictures in the annual.

The publications office, in the basement of the Administration Building, will accept space fees until March 1. Absolutely no space fees will be taken after that date.

Once again space rates are: 75 cents for freshmen 90 cents for sophomores One dollar for seniors and all others.

Moore Will Work On Theatre Board

W. A. Moore, assistant speech director, has been elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Amarillo Little Theater, Inc.

Mr. Moore was notified of his appointment in a letter received from Miss Hattie Mae Wood, president of the theater group.

"Your fine cooperation is greatly appreciated and we feel that your experience and talent will be of inestimable value to our organization. We sincerely trust that you will enjoy working with our board and sharing in all its activities," was the text of the letter written by Miss Wood.

In addition to his latest honor, Mr. Moore has served also on the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Play House in Oklahoma City.

Socially Scheduled

Tuesday, February 18 — Open House, Cousins Hall, 8-9.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, February 19, 20, 21—Theater play, "Soldier's Wife," Cousins Hall, 8:15, admission, 60c.

Saturday, February 22—College Dance, Cousins Hall, 8-11:30.

L. C. LeCray borrowed a fountain pen the day of enrollment, but the owner disappeared and LeCray has been unable to return it. The owner may have the pen by calling at the registrar's office and identifying it.

Richard Holds Out For Portal-to-Portal Pay

Traditionally and proverbially, they say, all good things must come to an end.

Momentarily, however, the better phases of this life are not of immediate concern—the question over which we ponder and lose many days' sleep is: "Will BAD things ever come to a screeching halt?"

Or, "Will Richard ever open the door?" Apparently, the most able thinkers of our time, (taking a poll of something-or-other from jukeboxes, radio stations and record sales all over the nation), have concluded that Dickie boy will never expend the effort necessary to muffle the ever-lengthening series of demands.

That this is a discovery in direct conflict with a theory of perpetual motion introduced in another song hit of several years ago, "The Doors Swing In, The Doors Swing Out," is a theory too complex for analysis.

But not so confusing are the answers received in explanation of Why Richard Didn't Open the Door. Profound replies to an equally profound and weighty question ran something like this:

Vaughn Vandergriff: "Because he was a Harvard man, and there was a Yale lock on the door."

Bill Latson: "I'm tired of novelty numbers. Let us assume that this is a soul-rending tragedy, and that Richard is dead."

Chas. McDonald: "After much deep thought and study on the matter, I have come to these conclusions. It seems that Richard, (his last name, or surname if you prefer), is not indicated, and I believe that Richard was under the im-

Letter Informs Of WT Status

Dr. Hill Writes School Report For 3,000 Exes

By means of what he deems "a state of the nation message" Dr. J. A. Hill has sent a report on the progress, expenses, and future needs of West Texas State, to approximately 3,000 ex-students.

Additional housing and more class room space are two of the most crucial problems at WT at the present time, he asserted. When all necessary building is completed, it will cost approximately \$2,350,000. A new gymnasium, a library building and the chapel are the constructions that will begin in the immediate future.

Young Instructors

An effort is being made to secure young, competent teachers for this school, and in the future, no teacher over 40 years of age and not holding advanced degrees will be employed here.

The whole course of study is to be revised, especially in the vocational subjects. Courses shown to be obsolete will be dropped and those shown to be in step with the present demand will be offered.

As a result of the athletic flare-up, it will be necessary to start almost from "scratch" and build a program in athletics and physical education that will compare favorably with the other schools of the Border Conference.

More Exclusive

"It may be necessary in the near future," Dr. Hill predicted, "to select our students from the upper half of high school seniors, due to the heavy demand for higher education."

Dr. Hill closed his report with a request for additional funds to complete the chapel and asked co-operation in the gigantic building program at this school.

Internationalists To Meet Thursday Evening at 7

International Relations Club will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock in the Red Room at Cousins Hall to discuss "Rise of Scientific Devices of Power."

A group picture for the annual will be taken at that time, and plans will be formulated for sending representatives to the regional meeting of the IRC which will be held in Silver City, New Mexico, March 28 and 29.

Returned GI



JACK WALKER
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The Sister Act



SHIRLEY BYARS
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Cynical Newsmen



BILL ROBINSON
* * * *

Independent Gray



MARGARET MILLER

PARTY PLATFORMS, OR—

NOW YOU SEE 'EM, NOW YOU DON'T

Admittedly, it's an unprecedented strain on the brain.

But results might possibly justify the request for prolonged contemplation.

The Subject: forthcoming election. The Need: individual and concentrated thinking on the part of each prospective voter. The Reason: whether or not we care to acknowledge it, too many people are too easily swayed by arguments already laid out in the honied path of pre-arranged sweet talk.

Confidentially, we do not care which of several divergent ways students cast the majority of ballots. If there are any friction-arousing factions, *The Prairie* intends to take the only fair view and lean neither one way nor the other.

However, we do urge one thing: studied voting, taking all sides into consideration. Vote your way, not the way of any who may urge you supporting his candidate. That is, don't believe too much until you can be sure that his candidate is your candidate.

COULD BE VICE FOR THE LOVELORN

As balm for the sore hearts of several hundred dejected and lonely co-eds for whom the beckoning call of spring, sweet vernal spring, is but the hollow mockery of lost love, *The Prairie* repents an appeal stolen from the columns of the Amarillo Globe-News.

Courage, bereft ones, all is not gone. Do not despair.

Now begins the quote:

"Reputation of Texas women as housewives" has spread to California, whence comes this letter:

"I have heard so much about Texas women making such good wives I am writing in hopes you will print this. I have never married, am 50 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weigh 140 pounds—brown eyes and a little hair which is brown with silver started.

"I have no use for these California women, who mostly want an apartment and park mostly in a beer parlor or bingo joint. I expect to get a chicken farm started by this Fall."

Applicants may correspond with the eligible bachelor at an address available in the publications office.

Well?

IN THE NAME OF AQUA NEEDA

To applications for solution to the most crying, the most cry-provoking exigencies of West Texas State College, the inhabitants of the basement floor, otherwise known as the underground movement, hereby add their petition for one compensation for their below-level sorrows.

Without bemoaning their fate or complaining of the lack of sunshine and light, the mole-hole crowd has but one request: a water fountain to quench their parched and burning throats.

Third floor, predominantly class rooms, has a water fountain. Second floor, library, labs and classrooms, likewise possesses a water fountain. First floor, consisting of classes and offices, has not one, but two of the convenient contrivances.

Logically, then, it might be supposed that the physical education department, the industrial arts department, (and, parenthetically, a very dry publications department), might also be blessed with a water-dispensing device.

Through a purely unselfish and magnanimous gesture in behalf of the P. E. and I. A. divisions, we beseech consideration, please.

Longhaired Studer Enters College

He sauntered nonchalantly into the library. Boy, he was black. All eyes were riveted upon him in an instant. Was he going to be permanent?

Indifferently he passed the reference desk, insolently ignoring the questioning look of the girl at the desk. Perfectly at ease, he examined the bottom shelf of reading material along the north wall.

Then unaware in the complete silence of the attention he was attracting, he ambled on to the back of the library. In no hurry, he carefully inspected the waste paper

basket and gave some thought to a sheet of discarded scratch paper. What was this, anyway?

Now there were excited whispers and the scraping of chairs pushed back. Students suddenly were intent on finding out what this was about.

With an indolent yawn, he made his way back to the front and sat down, eyes on the door.

At the sound of the bell, an eager look came over his face. As new people came in, his excitement increased noticeably.

Then he ran, with a look of pure joy on his face, into the arms of a tall blonde young man.

The dog!

Bolts 'n' Jolts

By Ely

The latest tempests in our battered old teapot are strictly localized—so far. Vital issues are being bandied about the hallowed halls of the Administration Building and sprayed through many a cup of coffee.

Next week the effects of all this activity will be manifested in the election of officers of the Student Senate. There is a possibility that this organization will outgrow its traditional duties (namely refereeing social rat races) and become a powerful force in the affairs of the school.

There is also the possibility that it will degenerate into shrill groups of opposing philosophies. Time will tell.

It is strange that America, of all countries, should relegate college students to a "punk kid" status. The ancient Chinese social scale ranks scholars over all other classes. In Europe students have always been respected for their leadership in social reforms. Germany's universities, along with her churches, were the last strongholds of freedom to fall to the Nazi party.

Yet in our country, let a college student look up from his studies or dissipations (as the case may be) long enough to show an interest in politics, and an amazing variety of imprecations is heaped upon his bewildered head.

The only thing for it, apparently, is a long, preferably intelligent, struggle for recognition by the students, if they are ever to shake off the "punk kid" stigma.

Captain and Mrs. Austin Wiggins are the parents of a daughter, Carol Ann, born January 20, at U. S. Naval Hospital, Quantico, Virginia.

Mrs. Wiggins was the former, Gloria Stanley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stanley of Shamrock, and Captain Wiggins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Wiggins of Amherst.

Both Captain and Mrs. Wiggins are former students of West Texas State College. He received his degree in summer class of 1941, and is stationed at U. S. Marine Naval Base at Quantico, Virginia.

From the Houstonian of Sam Houston State College, comes this thought for the week: "There are substitutes for everything but work and sleep."

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Dear Editor:

Dear Editor,

At last students can say what they like and the *Prairie* is a student newspaper, uncensored. Don't think for one moment, however, that our brain factory is perfect—it isn't.

Granted, improvements are being made, (trees are being trimmed, building is going on as scheduled, etc., etc.), but what about the need for more lenient rules in the dormitories?

Our rival school, Texas Tech, allows girls to stay out almost one hour later than the girls of WT.

Here's hoping something will be done to remedy the situation.

Yours for one hour later,
Carroll Doshier.

Dear Editor,

When I first arrived at West Texas, my friends and I, new to the school, were amazed at the friendliness of practically everyone we met. It didn't take long for me to reach the conclusion that this was probably the most friendly school that could be found anywhere. You could often find yourself speaking to a total stranger.

Although the school is still tops in friendliness, I am under the impression that the people on the campus, now pretty well acquainted with each other, are becoming more lax in their tendency to greet their fellow students, instead of more so as it should be. There are a lot of new students on the campus who have come here for the second semester. Most of them like the friendly attitude here, but still the situation could be improved.

West Texas State is noted for its friendliness toward strangers. There are also a lot of people who are interested in keeping the school that way. These same people are in hopes that everyone will soon get back in the well known groove, speak to everyone, and in turn, speak when they are greeted, even though they might happen to be strangers.

That is a tradition of the school and something to be proud of; keep it that way.

Raymond P. Perkins.

University of New Mexico is constructing three new varsity tennis courts. The courts will have colored brushed surface to cut down glare of the sun and slow down the ball which is too live in Albuquerque altitude.

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Collegiately Speaking

Determined to earn a college education, Douglas Woods, handicapped from partial blindness since childhood, has enrolled at TCU this semester. He has learned to read braille, and by means of his typewriter and stylus he does his assignment and takes notes while his mother reads aloud.

"She is already complaining about the amount of homework my instructors give me," reports this Fort Worth scholar.

Campus co-eds of North Texas State charge that chivalry is either "dead or very, very sick." Then they lament the post-war disillusion of returned veterans.

The boys charge that IF chivalry is dead, the girls murdered it, relating how the typical girl wastes so much time primping that she leaves little of the precious three hours allowed for a date. Besides, she does not go dutch any more, but has turned the after-movie coke into sandwiches and 20-cent sun-dae.

Truman Pouncy of Sam Houston State College, suffering from a vitamin deficiency, is blind. He was a well known campus character, spending more time in the Houstonian office than most journalism majors.

When not strolling into church or throwing himself against classroom doors in his eagerness for education, he barked at statues posed in the library.

The falling eyesight of the three-month old pup was noticed only recently, and he lives in a world of bewilderment, not understanding why it had to happen to him.

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Excerpts for Exes

Leslie R. Hinds, of the class of 1941, is a student at the University of Colorado. He expects to receive his Masters degree with a major of school administration at the end of this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Brady McCoy of Amarillo are the parents of a son. Brady, who was business manager of the *Prairie*, is now assistant manager at Stubblefields.

Mr. and Mrs. Branch Archer of Amarillo are the parents of a daughter. Both are ex-students

and Evangeline Baker Archer is a member of the class of '43.

Two WT graduates have recently resigned from the staff of the Panhandle Public Schools. They are J. M. Knowles, who has been principal of the high school for a number of years, and Olin Thornton, who has taught commercial subjects.

Josie Baird, M. A. '35, teaches Spanish in the Rotan High School. Last year through the cooperation of parents and the superintendent, H. F. Railsback, who is also a graduate of WT, a trip to Mexico City was arranged and 28 persons made the trip at a cost of less than \$50 per person. The trip was made in a bus owned by the Rotan High School. An account of the adventure is given in the Texas Outlook for February.

Mrs. Lella Rugely, who is an instructor in the school for handicapped children, Borger, addressed the Sanford P-TA recently on citizenship, showing how handicapped children can be useful citizens.

Spencer Whippo, graduate of 1936 and former vocational agriculture instructor, was on the campus last week to secure agriculture majors to help in making a farm survey concerning problems in wheat poisoning.

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Bufs Face Arizona Saturday

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Play This Season

If there ever was a time where in the West Texas State Buffaloes could salvage some of their deflated basketball glory—then this Saturday night is it.

The University of Arizona Wildcats, the conference's undefeated terror of the Border hardwoods, invades Burton Gym Saturday night for a conference clash with Coach W. A. Miller's tall net-swishers.

For the Wildcats, unbeaten in 13 straight Border loop matches and currently rated the nation's 25th team with only one seasonal defeat, it will mean the chance to finish the league play with a perfect record.

For the Buffaloes, as hot-and-cold a roundball quintet as seen in many a year, it will mean a chance to avenge an early season loss to the Tucson five in Arizona and a chance to save face with local supporters after their disastrous road trip in which they dropped three of four tilts.

Leader
Spearheading the Arizona attack this season is Link Richmond, speedy hawk-eyed forward, who also leads the Cactus loop in scoring. The fast and colorful Tucson squad, employing a wide open brand of ball, has averaged 65 points per game in this year's campaign and made a very successful tour through the middle west in late December and early January.

West Texas State, two and three deep with experts at every position, just hasn't been able to keep a sustained winning streak in tact this year and presently are labeled with a ten-won-ten-lost tag.

Malone Hot
Heartwarming for Maroon and White fans is the performance of J. W. Malone, dribble perfectionist and loop-shot artist deluxe, who has seemingly regained his shooting eye in racking up an average of 12 points for the last five games played. In the New Mexico Aggie clash, Malone threaded the hoop for 21 tallies.

Game time for the Saturday night clash is 8 o'clock in Burton Gym and only new activity tickets will be honored.

Plains AAU Trophy Added to Laurels

The newest addition to the awards garnered by West Texas State athletic teams has just arrived. For first place in the recent Plains AAU Basketball Tournament in Amarillo, the freshmen quintet are the owners of a beautiful two-figure trophy.

The trophy, a part metal and part wooden award, stands 30 inches high with a miniature basketball player on top. On a semi-base midway up the face of the award, another miniature player with a wreath in his hand is stationed. Between the two figures is an engraved star.

No More Chalk Cause It's Here!

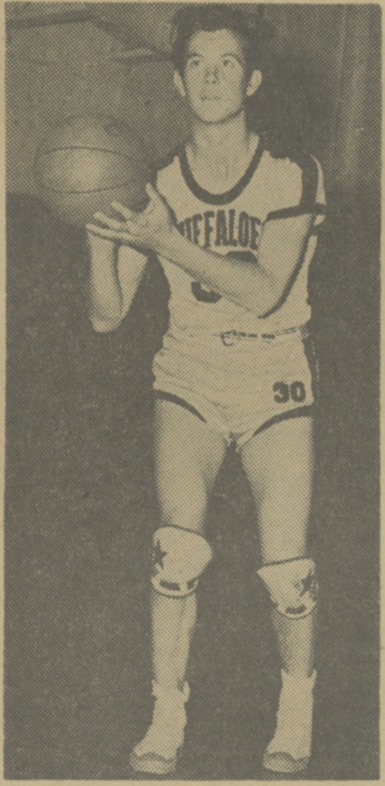
IT'S HERE! IT'S HERE
IT'S HERE!

The new scoreboard, long needed and long sought, has finally arrived and is being put in operative shape today.

Hank Decker, agent through which the board was purchased, said yesterday, "the scoreboard arrived just this morning and will be installed immediately. It will be up in time for use in the Tuesday night game between the Freshmen and Panhandle A&M."

NO MORE SQUINTING — NO MORE SORE EYES — WE CAN AT LAST TELL WHO IS WINNING!

Simpson



KENNETH SIMPSON, considered one of the best defensive players on the 1947 Buffalo squad, earned his freshman numeral in 1944-45 when he played with the varsity. That year he scored 80 points.

Coming back to school after spending 8 months with the Navy in the Philippines, this 6 foot 1, 168 pound, 19 year old sophomore from Borger has a starting berth on the 'little fast team' and has turned in a number of fine performances. His one feat of prominence was the guarding of Garland Head in the recent Texas Tech match. After Metz LaFollette had held the powerful scorer in check for three quarters, Simpson came in and continued to hold the hawk-eyed forward to no count.

When Kenneth graduates he wants to become a coach.

Quintet Drops Two Road Tilts

Buffaloes Trample
New Mexico Aggies
For Lone Victory

West Texas State's battered but fighting basketball team returned to the campus Saturday after a long road-trip which saw them lose two out of three games.

Last Wednesday night the tall Panhandle boys invaded the lair of the Texas Miners in El Paso and were beaten by the score of 56-46.

The speedy Miners led throughout the contest except for a brief period early in the battle when the Buffs held a 9-8 advantage. The hustling Canyon club narrowed the margin to five points 39-34 with six minutes remaining, but a burst of baskets handed the Orediggers the victory.

Glynn Braden, 6 foot 4 inch boy from Sherman, led the West Texas scoring with 21 points while Mike Izquierdo paraded the Miners with 19 tallies.

Play A&M

Thursday night the Buffaloes moved to Las Cruces and tackled the New Mexico Aggies in another conference game and came out on the long end of a 63-51 count.

Trailing at half-time 30-26, the Buffs turned on the steam and out-classed the Aggies in the final 20 minutes of play.

J. W. Malone pumped 19 points through the hoops in the second half to lead the West Texas assault.

Aggie Coach, Jerry Hines, remarked that the West Texans were the best team his quintet had faced this season and that includes the Conference leaders, Arizona.

Hank Decker and Glynn Braden performed exceptionally well under the backboards and drilled point after point through the hoop in the final Buffalo upsurge.

Traveling to Albuquerque Friday night, the tree-top Texas cagers clashed with the University of New Mexico in Carlisle Gym and lost a thriller 51-47.

West Texas jumped into a quick lead in the first half and it appeared as if they would not be headed. They led 30-15 at the close of the intermission.

Coming out with renewed vigor in the second frame, the Lobos began hitting from every part of the court and before the Texans could regain their composure the count was locked at 47-47 with one minute of play remaining.

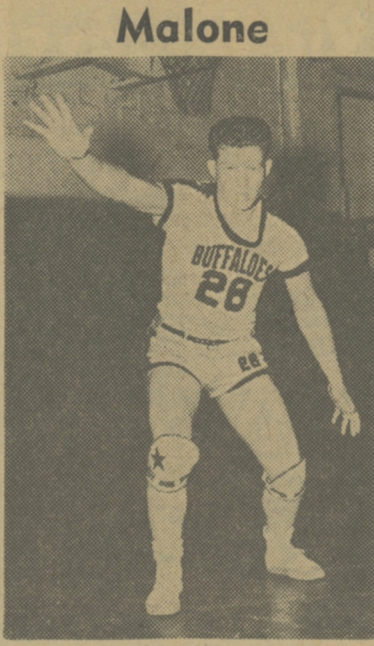
Two quick field goals by New Mexico iced the game away for the Albuquerque quintet and the Buffaloes were out of the running.

Scoring Leaders

After a close check by official statistic keepers, the top five scorers on the Buffalo basketball quintet as of today are listed below:

Decker	142
Jacobs	138
Malone	118
Chat Johnson	101
Braden	101

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Flashy J. W. MALONE in his three years of playing at West Texas State has become one of the most colorful figures ever to entertain court fans in Burton Gym.

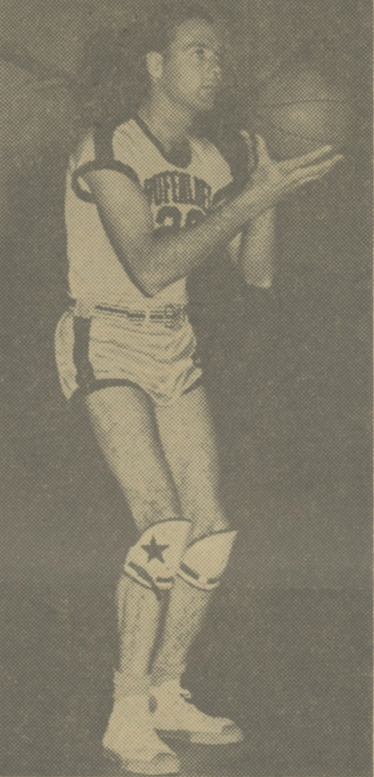
In 1945, as a freshman, J. W. was placed on the mythical All-American team at the Kansas City Tournament and last season swished the hoops for 332 points.

Standing only 5 foot 10 and weighing 165, this 20 year old junior from Stratford is left handed and is very accurate with a one hand shot from the left side of the court.

So far he has collected one varsity letter and one freshman numeral.

While in high school, Malone made the all-tournament team at 20 high school cage meets and last year was placed on the all-Border Conference team as a guard.

Braden



Sophomore GLYNN BRADEN, reserve center, weighs 205 pounds and stands 6 feet 4.

In 1943 he earned his freshman basketball letter and this season has displayed exceptional skill under the basket for the Maroon and White cagers.

Good for at least 8 or 10 points a game, Glynn is one of the two left handed boys on the team and uses that deception to great advantage. His reach and aggressive drive around the basket makes him a constant scoring threat.

Frosh Tackle Aggies Tonight

Junior Buffaloes
Ready to Avenge
Earlier Defeat

Tonight the powerful Aggies of Panhandle A&M of Goodwell, Oklahoma, invade Burton Gym in a return engagement with Coach Borden Price's speedy Freshmen cagers.

Smarter under an earlier 44-32 defeat at the hands of the Oklahomans, the Freshmen will be out for revenge and also a chance to warm-up for their forthcoming Shaughnessy play-off in the Amarillo League.

So far this season the red-hot frosh have not had good crowds at their home games and Coach Price is asking the students to turn out tonight to help boost his squad in this very tough match.

People who attend tonight's clash will have a chance to see the new score board in operation as it arrived only yesterday and is being installed today.

Game time has been set for 8 o'clock and admission is 35 cents for students and 50 cents for adults.

College Boys Lose Bouts

Two West Texas State pugilists, Willis Hawkins, middleweight, and Kenneth Jones, heavyweight, were thwarted in their attempts to bring back championship trophies from the State Golden Gloves meet at Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum in Fort Worth last week.

Hawkins, hard-slugging deceptive fighter from Hart, won his first ring appearance Thursday night with a knock-out over his opponent in one minute and ten seconds of the first round and advanced into the quarter-finals Friday night.

In the Friday night fight, Hawkins tangled with Buster Harris, the fair hope of Fort Worth. Coming out quickly and finding an early range to Harris' head, the stocky West Texan carried the decision of the judges in the initial round.

However, in the second round, the Cattle City youth fought back brilliantly to gain the nod for the three minutes of fighting.

Both Slug

Squaring off with rounds even in the third, both sluggers packed the finale with every kind of punch and with exceptional speed. Harris got several blows into the stomach of Hawkins, while the Buffalo athlete retaliated with good licks to the Fort Worth boy's head.

The judges awarded a close decision to Harris and both fighters received a tremendous ovation from the 6,783 persons who witnessed the bout.

Jones, tall blond West Texas State freshman heavyweight, was the sensation of the opening night when he battled rugged J. D. Kirkpatrick of Petersburg for two rounds before going down under a barrage of swift blows.

Having had very little experience before this year, Jones recently captured the heavyweight crown in the Maverick Invitational Tourney and then won the Amarillo District Golden Gloves title late in January.

Buffalo Bill-ings - -

By Vaughn Vandergriff

All persons interested in attending the Globe-News sponsored banquet honoring Coaches Frank Kimbrough and Clark Jarnigan Sunday afternoon in Amarillo should mail in their reservations immediately.

It would be nice if a large group of students would attend to show the two new mentors that we are definitely behind them.

This writer ambled out to the track course the other day just in time to see a figure, trailed by a cloud of dust, whizz past. Upon closer observation, the figure turned out to be Jim "The Brow" Wilson completing his 80th lap. Well, maybe it was his 8th lap anyway!

All I can say is that Jim will

have to do some fast running to prove all that tall talking he did during football season. Right, boys?

I might add that with Jim Wilson beginning track, the responsibilities of all managing now falls on his worthy cohort—Bert "The Hair" Lane. Bert is the behind-the-game man of the Buffaloes and has done a wonderful job of managing this year.

Maybe a few more nickels tossed his way while sweeping the gym at basketball games would compensate for his unglorified work.

Rumors have it that the basketball queen will be chosen soon and that she will be crowned at the New Mexico A&M game February 28.

Coach Kimbrough is not the only person out after prospective players for West Texas State.

Yours truly has been scouring the country for someone to "play the keys of the Sports typewriter" for next year. Ha!

Top contender is a boy named Sans Fingers of Uzz—deep down in Clay county.

Have you ever seen the trophy won last year at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Track Meet?

Have you ever seen the National Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament trophy won in 1941?

Have you ever seen the Intercollegiate Basketball trophy won at El Paso in 1940?

Have you ever seen the runner-up trophy of the Border Conference won in 1946?

Have you ever seen the first place award from the Oklahoma City All-College Meet won in 1941?

Have you ever seen the first place Frosh trophy won this year at the Plains AAU Meet?

Chances are you haven't seen any of these trophies or numerous others I haven't mentioned.

Someone should see to it that we have a suitable case for these awards and honors to be placed in so students, fans and school visitors could view them.

It should be the place of the college to furnish such a thing. After all, the teams who won them were representing this school and brought honor and recognition for the school in winning them.

It is a sad case when the culmination of their abilities and efforts have to be stuck away in the corner of an office far away from the public eye.

Can't something be done to remedy this situation?

If school officials do not provide such an article as a case, then I can think of nothing better for a senior class to leave the school.

How about it, seniors?



BILL MILLER, son of Buff coach Gus Miller, gives West Texas State one of the few father-son acts in collegiate basketball.

Bill played his first year for the Buffs last season winning his freshman numerals and scoring 118 points. Height 6 foot 2, weight 165 pounds, age 18, this sophomore player has been a very dependable reserve on the 1947 Maroon quintet and especially proved his ability in the Texas Mines clash when he crammed in 14 points to take high scoring honors.

This Canyon boy lettered two years in high school football and three years in basketball. He is an honor student in his grades.

Tracksters Begin Season Practice

Twenty-five track hopefuls reported to Coach Clark Jarnigan Wednesday and training was started immediately.

"Only light workouts were held this week," said Jarnigan, "but just as soon as all soreness is worked out more concentrated work will begin."

Three standouts from the crack 1946 cinder team are back this year and a few more are expected to come out in the near future. Re-

turning are Lloyd Johnson, speedy 100 and 220 yard dash man; Dwaine Lyons, discus and shot-put competitor; and Maurice Steen, broad-jumper.

Other spike-wearers who started practice are: Boyd Williams, Junior Melton, Monroe Rowden, Ernest Hendricks, Weldon Trice, Willis Hedges, Bobby Helms, Frank Buchanan, Bill Reimers, R. A. Boyer, Joe Sneed, Jack Word, Harold Lummus, Delbert Phillips, Melvin Robertson, Jim Wilson, Joe Cobb, Bob Davis, L. C. LeCroy, Carroll So-Relle, David Morris and David Battey.

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Greeks To Fete Future Members In Week-Long Rush Party Series

Rush week is almost here and campus social clubs are now planning entertainments for prospective pledges. Each club is allowed to invite rushies to two parties from Sunday, February 23, until Monday March 3, as designated by the inter-club council.

Under rulings by the offices of the dean, lists are being checked for eligibility and rush bids will be issued this week. Upon comple-

Taus Advance Plan For Campus Amity

Tri Tau fraternity has launched a program with which they hope to promote closer friendship among students on the campus. Their idea was initiated with a chicken dinner held at the Methodist Church last Wednesday evening and will be continued through a similar affair each month.

Dr. H. A. Brown of Canyon, in the principal address, stressed "A Re-birth of Freedom."

Guests for the evening were: Fred Standley, Don Standley, Joe Mer-riman, Dick Craig, Aven Lair, Don-ald Crumpacker, Joe Brian, Wayne Thomas, Chuck McLeRoy, Bill Mas-sie, Crannell Tolliver, and Boone McClure.

Tye Will Lead Zetas For Spring Semester

Election of officers was the prin-cipal purpose of Delta Zeta Chi sorority members when they met Thursday evening in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. L. F. Sheffy, and chose Dorothy Tye of Floydada to serve as president this semester.

Selected to fill other positions were Ellen Sanders, Canyon, vice-president; Mollie Landrum, Ama-rillo, secretary; Wilma Lee Francis, Silverton, treasurer; Mattie Houpt, Tucumcari, reporter; and Frances Harp, Canyon, pledge captain.

Norma Lee Lantz, Home Econ-omics major of the class of '47, has been appointed Home Demonstration Agent for Hartley county. She will begin her new work March 4. Miss Lantz has been prominent in student activities and an outstand-ing student choloastie.

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Romantic Setting For Kappa Dance

Valentine! Valentine! Will you be my Valentine?
Big red hearts and streamer rib-bons carried out this motif at the annual Kappa Tau Phi Sweetheart Dance Friday night.

Mary Ruth Russell and J. T. Harp were chosen traditional campus sweethearts by the judges. A box of candy was given the couple be-fore a large red velvet heart erected on the dance floor.

Music for dancing was furnished by the Campus Music Makers.

Betty Ruth Cox is Kappa presi-dent and Neil Green is the sorority sponsor.

families in Randall county. Those who have clothes to contribute to the Red Cross are requested to bring them to the Home Service Office on the third floor of the Court House on Monday, Wednes-day or Saturday afternoons.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

On February 23, Holy Commu-nion service will be held at 11:00 at the All Saints Episcopal Church with Rev. W. Scott from Plainview conducting the service. Sunday School will be at 9:45 a. m. Friday evening, February 21 at 7:30, Bish-op George H. Quarterman will in-struct the Confirmation Class at the Little House of Fellowship.

There will be Evening Prayer and address on Ash Wednesday, Feb-ruary 19 at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Ples Harper Speaker for AAUW

Dr. Ples Harper will address the local chapter of the A. A. U. W. Tuesday evening, February 18, at 7:30 in room 202 of the Education Building on "The American Cul-tural Relation Program in Latin-America." The students of Spanish classes from Canyon High School will assist Dr. Harper. The program is a presentation of the Interna-tional Relations Study Group of which Miss Carolyn Newsom is chairman.

Red Cross Drive Begins In March

The annual Red Cross Drive will begin in March in Randall county. All citizens are asked to be think-ing ahead about their contribution this year to the Red Cross. Mil-lions have been helped by the Red Cross and millions more are await-ing help through this organization. How much help it can give is de-pending on the generosity of the people.

T. V. Reeves is campaign direc-tor for Randall county and further plans will be announced later this month.

Mrs. Hattie Briggs, Home Service Secretary for the Red Cross, an-nounced that good, clean used clothes are needed by the Red Cross in Randall county. These clothes are to be passed on to the needy

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President J. A. Hill is in Austin this week to attend four meetings in connection with college business.

Carvers' Mania Runs High

"Fools' names like fools' faces, always found in public places." . . . Well, here is one public place, and yet it isn't.

Everyone has noticed that small red ball that adorns the top of the campus water tower—and actually that sphere is larger than a basket-ball.

For the last few years, boys and girls have scratched their initials on the "high" ball.

Read closely, therefore, for per-haps thy true love has written yours: D. C., B. F., B. D., F. F. Recognize anyone?

If his curiosity is whetted, all one must do is venture 167 steps up-ward (straight-up, that is!); how-ever, because of a slight case of acrophobia this reporter had rather use binoculars.

The number of World War II veterans soared over the 14,000,000 mark in December, according to Veterans Administration estimates.

A total of 667 veterans are receiv-ing pensions from Veterans Admin-istration under special acts of Con-gress.

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