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## MISS HAMNER EXPRESSES OPTIMISM IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COMING CONSOLIDATED COUNTY INSTITUTE

The people of the Panhandle are waking up to the fact that there is a big gathering to be held at Canyon September 3 to 7, when teachers from more than twenty counties will get together and have a week of intensive study preparatory to the work of the year. It is the liveliest bunch of folk that meets in this section. They are there to work, and they find plenty to do.

Those who attend this year have a treat in the specialists who are to meet them and tell them the best and latest methods in various lines. The departmental plan is followed, so that if a teacher is weak in any certain line, he may concentrate his efforts and bring his work to a higher standard. Each of these department is under the direction of an expert. Study this list and see if you do not feel proud that you are to be one of the attendants: Horn, Fling, Carothers, Miss Hibbets, Miss Lipscomb, and Supt. Marrs.

There will be a steady succession of recitations with two general assembly hours each day. These will usually take the form of a lecture by someone who can bring a real message to the students. For instance, Supt. P. W. Horn, who has been for many months in Mexico, will talk on "The Republic to the South of Us." H. H. J. Fling, of the Department of Education of the East Texas State Teachers College, will have for one of his lectures "Community Building or Meeting the Demands of the Child." The sectional lectures of W. H. Carothers of the Department of Educational Administration include such practical topics as "The Boy and His Problem," "The Vocabulary of the Teacher," "Factors in an Effective Recitation," etc. These will be well worth hearing. Besides these, each teacher has helpful discourses and conferences.

A feature of interest to the teachers is that those who attend may get reduced rates, one and one-half fare, by getting a certificate when buying the ticket, if this ticket is bought from September 1 to 3. Ladies may write Travis Shaw, Secretary of the West Texas State Teachers College, about the accommodations at Cousins and Huntleigh Halls. These will be especially attractive.

The Panhandle teachers and trustees and county superintendents will find something special for which they should go to this Institute. Everybody is to meet everybody else there.

## Lubbock County Ex-Students Organize

Friday morning, July 20, at the chapel period the Lubbock County students met and organized for the purpose of carrying on the work of the Ex-students Association during the coming year. Mr. Alvis Lynch, the conductor of the meeting, made a short talk emphasizing the importance of such an organization and gave us many valuable suggestions concerning the promotion of the work. If you are going to be in Lubbock county this fall, why not join us now? We also have planned some special features, the purpose of which is to get before the members of the club the work of the ex-students and strengthen the ties of friendship and love for our Alma Mater. The following officers were elected.

President—Jack Wester, Idalou.  
Secretary—Leola Cox, Lubbock.  
Prairie Rep.—Irene Cox, Lubbock.

## Miss Ritchie and Mr. Shirley Entertain

On last Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Shirley, Miss Ritchie and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Powell entertained in a most royal manner a party of Summer Normal and College teachers, with a picnic at Wragge's Pleasure Park.

The party left town at six o'clock and motored out to the park and spent the first few minutes in enjoying a cool plunge in the swimming pool. Soon there after the announcement was made that supper was served, and a most excellent supper it was, consisting of large dishes of fried chicken, ice cream and many other delicacies.

Those who enjoyed the picnic were: Mr. and Mrs. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gilley, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Wiggins and the Misses Houston and Foster.

## Interesting Articles Received by the Historical Society

Those in charge of the Panhandle Historical Society work here in the college have reported that there have been recently added to the historical collection several articles by different individuals. From time to time the Society is receiving articles that are kept by the Society. Probably these articles and these old manuscripts that the Society is gathering will be of valuable use in the future. They offer good bases for data upon which a history of the Panhandle could be written.

Miss Baldwin has recently added a side saddle to the collection. This saddle was the property of a friend of the Baldwin family. Though a side saddle is not so ancient in its use, it has a definite place in the history of the Panhandle of Texas.

The "Morgan Collection," which the Society has been looking for for some time, has been received. This collection is sent by Miss Lucile Morgan of Belton, Texas. It includes some fifty arrow heads, three guns, money of the Republic of Texas, an old guard canteen used in the Mexican wars; also many articles too numerous to mention.

Bruce Gerdis of Tulsa, Texas has loaned the Society probably one of the most valuable collections that it has yet been received. A Toledo Blade, a Mexican sword, is probably the most unique article of the collection. There is an Indian scalping knife and the "hump bone" of a buffalo included in Mr. Gerdis' collection. Many other interesting articles make this an important collection to the Society. Mr. Gerdis has lived in Swisher and Briscoe counties for the last thirty years; and it has been his purpose to collect such articles that have historical significance.

## Miss Witt Given Assistantship in Wisconsin University

Miss Marion Witt who has been connected with the institution since June, 1921, will study in the University of Wisconsin next year. Miss Witt has done efficient work in the English Department. She leaves to become an assistant teacher in the University of Wisconsin and at the same time she will study toward her doctors degree.

## Superintendents Here Looking for Teachers

During the last few days H. D. Cogdill, Superintendent of Graham City School, T. S. Benton, superintendent of the Bracketville, Texas, public schools, and Miss Donna Gardener, a member of the Bovina school board visited West Texas State Teachers College. They were looking for teachers to fill vacancies in their respective schools, and they knew were to look for them. Miss Gardener employed Miss Effie Rankin as sixth grade teacher, Miss Sammie Roach as assistant principal.

There is no denying it, merit will have its way. "Hand shaking," and a "big name" may serve one well for a time; but in the final analysis we see the value of careful, scientific preparation. Every where, superintendents and school boards are turning to teachers' colleges where they can get instructors trained for the profession. The world is beginning to realize that special training is imperative if teachers are to be successful.

This is well. Let us encourage the young ladies who are to represent our school at Bovina and send them away with hearty wishes for a successful year. Soon the coming of "teacher-hunters" to our school will be such common occurrence that it will pass unnoticed in the general happenings of the day.

### BRINGING FATHER HOME

Mr. Wallace R. Clark has been away for the last few days. He has been attending his father, uncle Tommy, for the last several days. Uncle Tommy has been ill for the last few days. Mr. Clark will bring his father here for change of climate.



## Chemistry Class 203 Inspects Zinc Plant at Amarillo July 28th

The class in second year chemistry visited the Zinc Smelter at Amarillo Saturday, July 28, to get some first-hand information concerning the science of Chemistry applied to the smelting of ores. Well, we got it and a great many other things. Having passed through the great establishment with much marveling, and blushing at the sights we saw, for the heat was intense in places, we were ready to interpret what we had seen at leisure. Wet with perspiration, weighted down with several tons of souvenir specimens of the metal in our pockets, and as much of the pulverized ore and dirt in our shoes, we entered again into a chilly world which but an hour before had seemed so unbearable hot. This phenomenon fixed the fact permanently in our minds that heat is only relative and that we should not be too chagrined if the summer sun seems to pour forth his blessing too generously.

The images of so many workmen, blackened by the coal black material which they handled with shovels down deep in the dark pits; the fantastic figures that seemed to fly through the flames in the intensely heated furnaces; and memory of the heat which we experienced there; seemed to have a lasting effect upon those who looked pensively into the future, such as Harper Allen and Elizabeth Dumas.

The courtesy which we met there on the part of those in authority helped to make the trip altogether delightful. A great many of the Plains people are not fully aware of this great industry being carried on at Amarillo, and which has been made profitable by the nearby discovered wealth of oil and natural gas in that vicinity.

## President S. P. Brooks Makes College a Visit

Doctor S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University, made the West Texas State Teachers College a visit July 25.

Mr. Hill introduced Mr. Brooks as a co-worker in education. His earnestness of purpose in showing the great necessity of trained individuals in the teaching profession, showed where his interest lies. He mentioned the value of training soldiers for the American Army during the world war. He mentioned the fact that churches were continually putting on campaigns for the training of religious leaders to take the places of retiring individuals in church work. He announced the necessity for skill along all lines of work. He made the challenge of life to be that of holding oneself in training.

His earnest plea for volunteers to fight against ignorance marked him as a champion of education. Mr. Brooks said that the crowning success of a man's life was the ability to think for oneself. The ability to think accurately was the highest qualification Mr. Brooks placed upon the American citizen.

Not only to think accurately was one of the qualifications that Mr. Brooks attributed to the good citizen, but in addition he pointed out the necessity of "The Long Look" of life. His illustrations to the two characters have come up from the ground to success had about them the personal element that made the speaker seem real to individuals who are here in preparation to accomplish the ideals of their "Long Look" of life.

"Woman's faults are many,  
Men have only two:  
Everything they say  
And everything they do."

### THE THING YOU WANT MOST

What is the thing you most desire from your Alma Mater? It is the help, the learning, and the inspiration that she is trying to give you now. But this seems such a limited gift; you say that you need it continually in order that you may not lose its good effect. There is a way in which at least some of it may be retained and renewed. It is through the organization of permanent clubs of Ex-Students in your county. All Ex-Students are eligible to belong to these clubs. They will realize endless enjoyment and value from their membership therein; because it will be a source of continual delight throughout the years to be associated in a social way with friends made at college and with new friends who each year bring back a feeling of loyalty to Alma Mater and news of her progress; because each year at the local annual banquet held on Founders' Day, February 17, the festive spirit will reign supreme in much the same fashion as in College days; because it will produce a most glorious feeling of "being wanted" to be welcomed into a new community and a new county by a large group of people who are friends of W. T. S. T. C. fame; because these Clubs will make it possible for the College to keep up with you and to help you succeed in the things you are trying to accomplish—this can not be difficult when you belong to a local club that keeps in touch with the general Ex-Students Association at Canyon; because you, being organized into a systematic body, can render aid to each other in the matter of getting elected to public offices, positions, and in getting big undertakings "put over" a demonstration of the fine spirit of fellowship that so often exists among Ex-Students of a worthy school; because you can have the pleasure of seeing your club become a telling factor in community, county, state—and especially Panhandle—life, a factor working for the development of the education and general uplift of West Texas; because you can have the pleasure of seeing your Alma Mater grow under the encouragement and united support of a great body of interested helpers—grow until it becomes the school about which you feel pride in saying, "I have a degree from West Texas State Teachers College."

Yes your club can become all of this and more if you will "get into the game" and organize now. The good work can't be begun too early. Start in now by organizing your home county into a club, and thus lay the foundation for a "really-truly" boosting club back at home this winter. The school is looking to you to penetrate its ideals and scatter them over the earth. This you can do most effectively through dependable and systematic organizations. Remember that in "Unity"—and Numbers—"there is strength." Get in and do your part! Know the people from home!

### INSTITUTE PROGRAMS OUT.

The New has printed 2000 program of the Consolidated teachers institute which will be held of twenty-two counties at the College the first week in September.

Prof. R. P. Jarrett is conductor of the institute and has arranged a very interesting program for the occasion.

## SCENES FROM THE UNION STATION WERE PRESENTED SATURDAY NIGHT AT COLLEGE AUDITORIUM—LOCAL CAST

### Fronabarger To Be Acting Head of The Education Department

B. F. Fronabarger Jr. who has been assistant professor of English will become head of the Education department next year. His extensive work in Education makes him fully able to conduct the work in the Education Department. His major in pursuance of his master's degree was done in Education. He has his A. B. and A. M. from the University of Texas. He has taught English in the Amarillo high school. He taught in the Education department at Simmons College, Abilene, Texas. His master's thesis was entitled, "Teaching Poetry in the High School." He will take the place of Mr. R. P. Jarrett.

Mr. Jarrett will be away on leave of absence during the next year. He will take up his fellowship at Peabody. This fellowship gives Mr. Jarrett fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) to be expended in school endeavor. The fellowship is given to those individuals who can furnish an exceptional record; but the school record is not all that enters into the qualification for such fellowship.

### Announcements Made of New Elections to Scholarship Society

The Lloyd Green Allen Scholarship Society of the West Texas State Teachers College has elected the following students to permanent membership:

Harper Allen, Canyon, Texas.  
Mrs. J. J. Powell, Canyon, Texas.  
Miss Ada Clark, Plainview, Texas.  
Miss Annie Woods, Cisco, Texas.  
Charles R. Wilson of Lockney, Texas was elected to temporary membership as Senior, and the following students were elected to temporary membership as Juniors: Zelma Red, Lamesa, Texas, Jim Webb, Canyon, Texas; Harriet Kritzler, Amarillo, Texas; Jeff D. Smith, Anson, Texas; Florence Barrier, Vega, Texas; Myrtle Miller, Lockney, Texas.

For several years the eminent educators of our state have been trying to formulate some plan whereby superior literary ability is recognized just as exceptional athletic achievement is singled out. These efforts culminated last April, about San Jacinto Day, in this system of scholarship societies for Texas.

The Council is composed of one Faculty member elected triennially, and one student member elected annually, from each institution by the members of its Society. (Article II, Object).

The object of this society shall be the stimulation, development, and recognition of scholarship and those elements of character which makes scholarship effective for good.

Good reputation and character shall be essential qualifications for membership. (Article III, Membership).

The highest ranking tenth in averages in both Junior and Senior classes are eligible, provided one fourth of the college course has been made in that particular institution and an average of at least ninety percent in the Junior class and eighty-seven percent in the Senior class has been maintained.

Membership in this Society shall be forfeited for cause upon a three-fourths vote of members present and voting. (Article IV, Forfeiture of Membership).

Each person elected to membership shall pay the sum of two dollars (\$2.00) to the Treasurer of the Society at the time of accepting membership. (Article XI, Treasurer).

### Miss Walker to Return in Time For Institute

A letter has been received from Miss Darthula Walker, head of the Geography Department, from Berkeley, California. Miss Walker stated that she had just returned from Yosemite Park and other places of especial interest to her and to the subject of geography. She will return some time about August 21 to make preparation for her work in The Panhandle Plains Teachers Institute.

The "Union Station" was a great success. The auditorium was well filled and the audience went away highly pleased. Everywhere we hear clever sayings that have been gleaned from the play, and satisfaction seems to be the common complaint. Each character appeared to be actually living the experience of the hour as the drama moved on without a hitch. There was plenty of comedy, many situations that were richly laughable. Troubles were forgotten while the listeners held their breath in anticipation of what was coming next. For once we were permitted

"To see ourselves as others see us." Among the outstanding features of the evening's entertainment were: beautiful Spanish dancing by Miss Franklin of Wichita Falls, the tragedy of "holding the baby," the sending of a telegram, the "bridal tower," the elopement, and the music furnished by the bunch of college fellows and the negro band. Each of these performances gained a hearty laugh and called for an encore.

The program was given under the auspices of the Ex-Students' Association, and was ably directed by Mrs. Tommie Montfort whose enthusiasm and loyalty made the success possible. The participants were drawn from the student body and faculty and from the leading business and professional men of the town. The money made will be added to the fast growing fund for the erection of the Mary E. Hudspeth Hall.

The following is the cast:

Train Master—C. A. Peirle  
Ticket Agent—Gilbert Tyler  
Clerk at lunch stand—Irby Carruth  
Bootblack—J. L. Dufflet  
Mrs. Brown—Mary White  
Mrs. Brown's young son—Grady Hazlewood  
Mrs. Snyder—Ruth Lowes  
Miranda Snyder—Mattie Lee Boyd  
Uncle John—S. B. Orton  
Mrs. Larkin—Mrs. Clyde McElroy  
Miss Sophia Piper—Mrs. J. A. Hill  
Mr. Jones—B. F. Fronabarger, Jr.  
Josiah Potter—Grady Hazlewood  
Nancy Potter—Mary Ethel Adams  
Mr. Armstrong—Hubert Hamill  
The Armstrong children—Harold Shanklin, William Flesher, Vida Savage, Martha Nell Lang, Ruth Gamble.

Dot—Ethel Gray  
Trix—Berta Mae Looney  
Bess—Andrine Smith  
Dude—L. S. Baker  
Spanish Dancer—Maurice Franklin  
Mrs. Hummer—Ann Mansell  
Mr. Martindale—J. S. Humphreys  
Mrs. Martindale—Mrs. Mabel W. Lang  
Bride—Joyce Mills  
Groom—Bill Gibbs  
Rosa—Oma Thompson  
Molly—Violet Goad  
Dick—Obad Baker  
Rob—Bryan McDonald  
Cassy—Mattie Lee Boyd  
Judy—Garvice Swafford  
Lily—Grace Cavness  
Eliza—Lois Graham  
George—T. A. Fritts  
Mr. White—R. A. Terrill  
Mr. Johnson—George Ingham  
Flossie (an eloper)—Ada Clark  
Harold (an eloper)—Jeff Smith  
Mr. Linton—S. B. Orton  
Mrs. Linton—Flora McGee  
College Quartette—Smith, McDonald, Frye, Arthur.

## Floyd County Exes Perfect Organization

July 27, at chapel period a representative number of students from Floyd county met and organized the Floyd County Club as a unit of the Ex-Students Association of the W. T. S. T. C., and elected the following officers:

President—R. E. Castleberry.  
V. President—Miss Vera Fry.  
Sec'y-Treas.—Miss Fravine Broyles.  
Mr. Tate Fry, Chairman of the Social Committee, promises to arrange for an enjoyable outing party in the very near future. All students from Floyd county are welcome.

### CHARTER GRANTED SOCIETY.

A charter was granted the Panhandle Plains Historical Society by the secretary of state last Wednesday. The society is without capital, and does not operate for profit. Those applying for the charter were President J. A. Hill of the College, Miss Hattie M. Anderson, Secretary of the Society, and Thos. F. Turner, President of the Society.



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THE MEASURE OF A MAN

What is the measure of a man? Buddy, don't look at me in such an amazed fashion, I am serious. You are thinking, "His height, breadth, and weight." Yes, Buddy, its just those things, but not in pounds and inches. When you get right down to rock bottom thinking you know a man can not be measured with any tape line. That is the way you measure the house in which he lives—his physical home.

You might say a man has three main dimensions, height, breadth, and weight. He makes his own measure upon the world about him.

A man is as high as his own ambition. True he may not attain to the height of his aim—few of us do, but he sets his own mark. Just as a man is said to be known by the company he keeps, so is a man known by the good he chooses whether it be blacking boots, driving the grocer's cart, or sitting in the President's chair, that is his height. He makes his own mark upon the scale of achievement.

A man is as broad as his vision. If his eye just spans the dollar mark, then he is a dollar wide. If he gazes across the entire continent, then his width is measured accordingly.

A man is as weighty as his own convictions. If he sits on the fence watching to see which way the crowd goes, and then topples over in the wake of the multitude, he's light. Why, Buddy, he's as light as chaff blown before a breeze. But if a man assures a definite attitude in questions of worth, so that his fellow citizens know where to expect him as certain as if he was a rock by the road side—then, Buddy, he's got weight to him. He's a man of influence in his community. This is the measure of a man. Say, Buddy, how about your own measure?

We students of the West Texas State Teachers College pride ourselves upon the magnificence of our College building. With pride we speak of its being the best college building in the State of Texas.

We are equally proud of our faculty. Why not? No other sister college has produced in so short a time as many college presidents; no where else can be found a more kindly-disposed, patient, better equipped group of instructors. It is immensely gratifying to hear visitors mention the splendid feeling of comradeship displayed by our faculty to the students. It is gratifying because we know that it is true.

Also, we feel that the student body is of average worth. On the whole they are loyal, honorable, ambitious, and deserving. They are sturdy, physically and mentally, and the majority of them come to college with a fixed purpose. So far—so good. College, faculty, and student in the proper relation to each other. But what of the setting? Can we speak with the same pride of our campus life that we do of our college? Our faculty? Our students? Can we vie with other colleges in stories of campus frolic and fun?

There are individuals who will ask in astonishment, "What is wrong with the campus? Is it not being improved?" True it is. Beauty is being transplanted to a spot where there was no native beauty. With the greatest of care trees, flowers, and grass, are being coaxed to grow about our school. These bits of nature are attractive, restful, and inspiring. They add an element of culture to college environment, and the student enjoys their beauty—from the outside of an iron fence!

The fence was necessary when the trees were small for a careless foot planted just right has been known to bruise a young tree. But now those trees are beyond the age of infancy. They cast quite a shade upon the campus, and an inviting spot, too. The native grass is also rather sturdy and moderate use well distributed, would not exterminate it entirely. Why not a few campus benches, judiciously placed in the shade of the trees? They

might be scattered at convenient distances from the administration building (and from each other). Such a convenience could not add to the studious crowd who inhabit the assembly hall, vainly striving to glean more knowledge from stuffy text books. It could not add to the din of the halls during the recitation hour. It might lure some of the love-sick swains who haunt the corridors out into the pure air, where a little light on the case would give a clearer vision of the subject matter. This, then, is a plea for the open air, with less of the corridor, and more of the Campus-Course—Silah.

An inhabitant of the corridor.

THINK IT OVER

There is a question in the minds of many of the Buffaloes and those who are anxious to support the Buffaloes as to why we do not win in football. We have never put out a real winning college football team, and I have been asked to give my opinion as to the reason. Let me tell you what I think. You may take it or leave it. In my opinion it is this: our daily work-outs do not have the winning spirit among the boys. Practice is the first essential in conditioning a team. Some go out to practice with the one idea in mind, to "shark out" of today's scrimmage and make the "trip." If we make the trip we will probably get a letter, and what would be better than to make a letter? If we get one, the whole student body applauds when we go on the stage to receive our sweaters. Now this is the atmosphere which prevails among some of the boys while we take our daily work-outs. Their conversation alludes to this, not directly, but in stories of past heroism. A few old heads seem to try to show the new fellows that these stories are worth more in the eyes of the coach than real work. "But them days is gone forever."

What is the end at which we are aiming? It is that which the Coach tries to instill in us: to work for our Alma Mater with no selfish end. Even a selfish aim can be gained easier by working with the other fellow.

Don't you think it would be much better to wear a gold football that means an "ever victorious" team than to say, "I caught a pass on the sixty yard line and ran for a touch-down with no interference." We will get the letter, but lets show the ex-students what the "new bunch" is made of and wear gold footballs for '23-'24. A '22-'23 Yearling.

ON 7:30 CLASSES

The other morning I walked to school behind a pessimist. He walked so fast that he almost ran, and had his watch in his hand. Ever few seconds he looked at it, and mumbled something about a 7:30 class, and Mr. Jarrett, and a door locked. He passed East End, then thought of an exam he had next period and had to go back and get a Blue Book—and so did I. Then his girl passed, and asked him how he felt after the party last night, and he had to be civil, and that took time. After that he had to walk a little faster. He stumbled his toe on a stump the pavers had driven in the road and almost fell. Then he gave me a new piece of his vocabulary and an idea as to his rate of expression. By this time, I caught up with him and we hurried on together. We were taking three steps at a time and Mr. Hill passed—we hope he didn't think we were rough. Just as we turned the corner on second floor, the last gong sounded, and the doors of 211 simultaneously closed. My comrade muttered just one word and so did I. We were going to the same class.

WHO'S WHO?

In the Who's Who column this week you will find the names and a brief account of some of the accomplishments of a few of the leading students of the West Texas State Teachers College. These are but a few of many of the many ex-students that have gone out from this institution and made a marked success in educational endeavor. Each have shown in individual projects related to school work elements of real school people. This institution has for its aim the making of teachers to meet the demands of the country. These are some of the examples of the work of some of our most productive students. The country is in need of such people to lead in educational undertakings.

A. D. Payne, a graduate of '22, is making good in the home town of his Alma Mater. After graduation, he was elected superintendent of the Canyon High School. Since his election, much progress has been made in raising the standard of work done in the high school. He asked for twelve and one-half additional units of affiliation this year and was granted twelve. This makes a total of eighteen and one-half. The new building will be ready this fall, and work will be offered in Domestic Science, Manual Training, and Commerce.

Of all our Who's Who ex-students Elmer Shotwell, who takes his B. S. Degree this summer, is probably the

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Where are our football boys? Don't know; but we're counting on them to make the coming football season the best yet. We've got the coach, we've got the boys, we've got the winning spirit; all we want is time—and pray for the Buffaloes.

One way to disprove evolution is to evolve to such a stage that no one will ever suspect your lowly origin.

Summer's nearly gone, but time's just begun; we sing our Alma Mater.

Funny how that glad "Good-morning" and the sunny smile helped so much. And it was done so easily.

Some one thinks we should not kick about the way things are going unless we could do better if we had charge of affairs.

Oh Boy! A holiday on alternate Mondays next summer! "Ain't it a gr-r-r-and and glo-ri-ous feeling?"

Wonder if a friend is some amobal-like animal that is attracted by blamor? Also, is he more your friend because he told you so?

SLIGHTLY INSINUATING

Mrs. Muggs had the reputation among tradesmen of quibbling over the fraction of a cent, and she was living up to it in her argument with the ice man.

"Is that all the ice I get for ten cents?" she demanded peevishly.

"Don't worry, lady," he replied as patiently as possible. "Some day you might be in a place where you couldn't buy this piece of ice for a million dollars."—American Legion Weekly.

HIS IDENTITY

"A posse of my children had a fight yesterday afternoon," stated Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge, "and I was the referee."

"You mean 'referee' don't you?" asked Zeke Yawkey.

"Nope! They were fighting me till I shook them off and tore out for the timber. I clumb a tree, and they kept trying to climb it and pull me down. But I kicked 'em loose till they got

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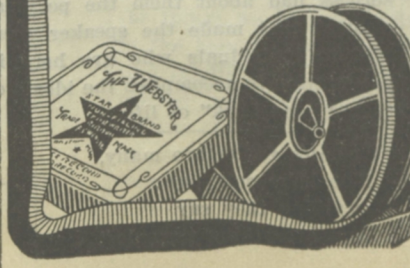
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Herman Glass is making his record as principal of the Junior High School at Wichita Falls. He has shown notable ability as an organizer, and all indications seem to say that the success which is to be his in the near future will outshine his past brilliant record.

Miss Ellen Fay Stambaugh of Plainview has won a place in Who's Who column by the excellent work done at Prairie View, a two-teacher rural school in Hale county. Prairie View put out an annual and paid for forty copies with advertisements. This school also won the prize for the general exhibit at the annual Hale County School Fair.

Mr. Lowrey is another principal of a rural school who deserves honorable mention among those of outstanding ability. He was principal of Necessity in Stephens county and distinguished himself and his school by erecting play-ground apparatus. He made a slippery slide out of an old suction pipe of a gin and a giant stride out of parts of an old wagon and a Ford car. A playground expert valued the apparatus at \$350.00, but it cost the school practically nothing.

There is no use thinking up a profound address, one that sounds the deeps and rides the hilltops, and then ruin it with a slovenly enunciation. Public speakers ought to practice enunciation and pronunciation, as well as emphasis and modulation. When a word has four syllables, each of them is entitled to be given its proper weight in the utterance. No speaker has a right to take a perfectly good word, a word that has established itself in general usage, and occupies a pew in the dictionary, and slater it up with an indolent emittance. When a speaker has a proper place for saying snickersnee he ought to say snickersnee, not sniggerzy. When a speaker comes to where he aims to say truth crushed to earth, will rise again, he ought to say it resonantly, not in a weak, subdued, lackadaisical tone which implies that truth has only a lame and reluctant friend in him.—Exchange.

A GRACIOUS ACT

The Panhandle Historical Society came into possession of the first piece of real estate on the occasion of the celebration recently held at Adobe Walls, when Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coble deeded the site of the battle to that organization.

The old battle ground is a part of the Turkey Track Ranch, the property of Mr. and Mrs. Coble, and since the Historical Society has interested itself in marking and preserving the ruins there, it was a gracious act to convey the property to them. The tract covers five acres.

Next year will be the 50th anniversary of the Adobe Walls fight and the Historical Society is planning a big celebration to be held there. Funds are being raised with which to erect a monument in memory of the heroes who lost their lives in that memorable battle and an elaborate program will mark the dedication.

Old-timers will be especially interested in this, the Panhandle's only real battleground, and it is expected that many stories of pioneer days will be brought to light on the coming anniversary.

The ambition of the Panhandle Historical Society to preserve for the children of this section, the memory of that early struggle is a worthy one. It will be well for posterity to be reminded sometimes of the sacrifices that were made by the pioneers in order that the future generations might enjoy the possession of this wonderful land. It will be a heritage of which they may well be proud.—Southwest Plainsman.

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## HOW HONOR HIM

He's gone, our leader, good and kind  
The "Doc" as known in youth;  
No "Uncle Warren" now we find  
To guide our search for truth.

Our nation's flag flies low today,  
The stars and stripes grow dim;  
We sing a melancholy lay  
And hope to honor him.

But stay; he would not have it so:  
To do your part while here,  
And give, with all the power you know,  
The best of you, nor fear—

To do these things the best you can  
Before this life is done,  
Would better praise the noble man  
Whose race on earth is run.  
—J. D. W.

## LINES

As I meandered on my way  
Through a park I chanced to stray,  
There I saw a little child  
Pulling up the weeds so wild.

When he had pulled a small one out  
He held it up and said, "how stout."  
But I replied, "'tis no deed,"  
"To pull up such a little weed."

He said to me with plain disgust,  
As in my hand the weed he thrust,  
"The whole world, my friend,"  
Had a hold of the other end."  
—L. K. M.

It might be well for visitors to remember that a welcome soon wears out.

## JIM

Jim, as he sat all crouched up on a box in the shade of the barn wiggling his toes in the cool soft earth, was busily engaged in seeing how many times he could spit on the can that lay about six feet distant without missing. He paid no attention to the calls of "Jim-me" that came from the kitchen doorway, except to peep through a crack in the fence to watch his mother's plump figure as she descended the steps to the woodpile, having given up all hope of summoning her truant son.

"Lo Jim,—comin' to the circus?" "Naw, Bob, she won't let me." "Who won't let you; yer ma?" "Yeah, she wouldn't let me go to a circus if Gabriel offered to take me. How come your ma let you go? I thought that she didn't like circuses either." "Huh, she don't know I'm goin. Yer see, Aunt Cynthy, that's one of Ma's sisters that lives out West, s'awful sick and sent fer Ma to come, and Pa he's goin down to the station with her, so I'll go to the circus while they're gone."

"Gosh Bob, you're always the luckiest thing, none of my kin 'ud ever git sick at the right time fer me to go anywhere, specially to a circus." "Well, that's tough all right; can't ya slip off or tell yer Ma that you're goin to see a sick friend or sumthing?" "Naw, she'd be sure to find out where I went, and besides she's done said I couldn't go anywhere."

"Oh, very well then fraid cat, you'd better run home to yer Ma, a booger might get ya."

"I ain't no fraid cat, Bob Geren, and you know it. I'll bet you a cookie that I kin lick you good." Jim slid from the box with his fists doubled up and his bristly red hair standing out like porcupine quills, and advanced upon the offending Bobby. Bob, however, did not seem to be very much disturbed by this pugilistic spectacle, but stood looking at him attentively.

"Well, c'mon, you're the fraid cat, Bob Green."

"Oh, I say Jim, don't get so mad, I just wanted to see if you had any spunk; now set down and I'll tell you about a plan I have just thought up. You can go to the circus after all if you'll do what I tell you and not act like a dummy."

Jim replied, though in a rather sulky manner. As Bob outlined his plan however, his face gradually took on a look of interest, then of joyous excitement. When Bob had finished, Jim threw his cap into the air and executed several gymnastic stunts.

"Hurrah, Oh boy,—say Bob you're a regular guy. D'ye s'pose we can do it all right?"

"Spouse?—Why of course we can. You just trust me. I'll get Ralph to give me some telegraph slips; he won't know what we want with 'em, then we'll write out the message, and I'll borrow Bud's wheel and take the message to yer Ma, and she'll rush right off on the next train in too big a hurry to think about the circus, and then the way's clear. Whadda ye think of me for a schemer?"

"Oh, boy,—won't we work her though?"

"You bet, I'd better run along now and get busy and you hang around the place somewhere so she won't suspicion anything."

"All right Bob, but be sure you don't make a mistake for I'd sure catch it then."

"Don't you worry, I won't, I'll just say: Come quick mery is ded."

And sign your uncle Joe's name.—I'll do it all right, just you wait and see, and then you'll have me to thank for fixin it up for you;—Well so long old fellow, see ya later." And Bob rushed off in boyish enthusiasm, his mind busy over their plan for "putting one over" Mrs. Conner.

After Bob left some of Jim's self confidence also began to wane. He almost wore the end of his toes off digging them into the ground, and he missed spitting on the can oftener than usual. Finally, he got up and stretched himself, took a squint at the sun and decided that Bob had not had quite enough time yet to get everything ready.

"I believe I'll just go work in the garden awhile so if Ma looks out she'll think I've forgot about the circus and that'll make things easier."

Mrs. Conner did look out and then looked again to make sure that her eyes were not deceiving her, and that Jim was really at work. Then she turned back to her sister who had just a few minutes before unexpectedly arrived to make her a visit.

"I'll just tell you, Mary, that boy's up to something or sick one; it's not like Jim to work when he is not made to. I noticed him and that Bob Green down there behind the barn together when I went to get some eggs for dinner, and now Jim's out there in the garden working as if he liked it, they're up to something, and I wouldn't be surprised if it wasn't that circus, though I told Jim he couldn't go and I should think by this time he would know better than to try to fool me."

Mrs. Conner's sister nodded her head in assent. "Well, Hanna, you did just right. I'm sure when we were

children we never even thought of asking to go to a circus, and small good it would have done us if we had. We always had some kind of work to do."

"That's just what I tell Jim, I tell him he ought to be ashamed to even ask to go to things like that, for when I was young I had to work all the time and never even thought of going to something all of the time,—but there's no use—goodness, there goes the door bell, I'll have to go see who it is."

Mrs. Conner dusted the flour from her hands and went to the front door. "Good morning, Mis Conner, here's a telegram for you."

"Oh mercy, I wonder what's up now" Mrs. Conner hastily tore open the envelope and read:

"come quick mery is ded."

Yours truly,

Joe."

She had to read it twice to make sure that she had read it aright, and Bobby began to feel a little queer and wondered if he had not fixed it just right, when Mrs. Conner looked up, her face wore a rather odd expression, but not one of grief exactly. Bobby's knees began to feel just a little bit shakey, and his throat felt a little funny also, although he was not frightened.

"I don't believe that I would like to be a telegraph boy if they all act like her," thought Bobby.

Finally Bobby could stand it no longer.

"Is—Is there anything I kin do Mis Conner?"

"No Bobby, you've done a plenty already." With this remark Mrs. Conner turned back into the house, leaving the rather crest fallen Bobby on the steps.

"Huh, she acted rather funny but I guess it must have been all right or she would have said something about it." With this consolation Bobby mounted his wheel and rode off down the street whistling to show his courage was not diminished.

Jimmy watched these performances from the garden in a rather excited state of mind. After Bobby took his departure, Jim left off his digging so that he could hear his mother when she called him. After about ten minutes had elapsed Jim decided that maybe he had better not wait to be called.

"Maybe the shock killed her, guess I'd better go and see." He accordingly deposited his hoe upon the garden fence and started for the house. He worked his face up into the most innocent expression possible and entered the door.

"Say, Ma, where,—A—Au—aunt Mary, when did you come?"

"James," this was his mother's voice, after all she was still able to talk, "go right up to your room and stay there until you are sent for."

Jim obeyed, too amazed to do anything else.

"Gosh, I guess she must have got the telegram after all, and I'm in for it. I'll bet I don't get any dinner or supper either, and I saw some doughnuts. Bob's a blockhead, why couldn't he see aunt Mary was there and not handed in that 'ole telegram? This is the rottenest luck. Now I won't get to go to the circus."

The evening slowly passed away. The sun dropped over the horizon line, and still Jim sat in his room painfully conscious that he had had nothing to eat since breakfast.

Suddenly there was a commotion down the street; growls and shrieks of animals mingled with the shouting of men and children. Jim ran to the window to look out. The sound drew nearer and the procession came into view around the corner.

"The circus, murmured Jim,—Well, anyway I got to see it."

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### Paving Started on the College Campus, to Run to Main Building

Paving has started on the College grounds, using the money that was appropriated in the emergency bill for this purpose.

The paving on the grounds will be eighteen feet wide, with a concrete header instead of the curb and gutter. The exact distance the paving will go is not yet known. It was planned to pave from east of the south drive-ways, with a loop around the building to the power house, but the money available will not go this far, and will probably extend only to the north side of each entrance.

After the paving is completed on the College grounds, the work will be started on the street in front of the building. A large part of the property owners along the street desire very much a thirty foot pavement on the south side of the campus, while some are inclined to only an eighteen foot pavement.

R. A. Terrill is in charge of arrangements regarding the paving in front of the college grounds.

### "Lorna Doone" Nets Several Dollars

"Lorna Doone" was presented at the Olympic Monday and Tuesday of last week under the auspices of the Ex-Students Association. Sixty-three dollars and ninety seven cents was cleared for the Mary E. Hudspeth Hall. The regular price of thirty-five cents was charged for admission, a very unusual thing for so good a picture. The play was praised highly as a worthy representation of the world-famous love story written by Blackmore during the nineteenth century. The Ex-Students Association is to be praised for bringing so excellent a picture to the attention of the theatre-going public.

**MISS McLEAN TO TEACH HERE.** Miss Mary McLean of Clarendon will teach history in the normal work at the College next year, taking the position as held by Mrs. T. V. Reeves last year.

Miss McLean has the B. A. degree from Southwestern University, and has done graduate work in Chicago university. She has taught in the Garner, Iowa, high school, and for the past three years in the summer normal session of the College.

#### MUSIC BY THE SEA

Silent and still by the sea,  
Wrapped in a silver mist,  
I stood and watched the moonbeams  
Bring the waters to life with a kiss.

But lo, the stillness is broken,  
'Tis filled with a throbbing call;  
Tremblingly, haltingly, sweet  
On my ear the music falls.

'Tis a soul sobbing in anguish,  
And its heartstrings tremble and throb  
At the touch of love and sympathy,  
For the care and blessings of God.

And my own heart beats in pity,  
And it cries in anguish when  
I hear the wails and moanings  
That are wafted on the wind.

Each sigh and moan and quiver  
Of the heart's reflected in,  
And echoed by the restless waves,  
And lodged in the hearts of men,  
—E.H.

When a citizen treats his civic rights  
with cold indifference, they are easily  
wooed and won by the political boss  
who makes much of them.

The present is shackled between two  
masters—the past, which owns all that  
we have done, and the future, which  
claims all we are about to do.

### Potter County Exes Organize

On Friday, July 27, a number of students met to organize the Potter County Club. The purpose of this club is to be an active and permanent organization which shall form a connecting link between the Alma Mater here, ex-students, and the general public. The aim of its members is to function with students of W. T. S. T. C. and also to make themselves known and heard in their home county. After a general discussion concerning the future work of the club the following officers were elected:

President—Carrie Bier.

Vice-President—C. C. Walden.

Sec'y-Treas.—Winnie Mae Word.

Prairie Reporter—Edith Ratliff.

Each member is to be a personal "booster" for W. T. S. T. C., "booster" for Potter County in W. T. S. T. C.

A committee appointed for the purpose has already secured the names of a large number of the people eligible to membership in the club, people back at home and in the school. They are planning to get better acquainted with each other by having a picnic at an early date.

### Tech Locating Board Here Last Friday

The locating board for the new Tech stopped in Canyon a few hours Saturday evening. A committee from the town and the college met the committee at Tulia and brought them here in cars. The party arrived about five-thirty o'clock. A committee of college girls served the committee with ice water in the first hall of the administration building. After a general inspection of the college, the board was given a banquet in the Home Economics dining room. From here the board went to Amarillo.

#### HOW FAR

How far will you go with me, dear heart,  
Will it be to the end of the way?  
Or will you pause, where the first faint flush  
Of dawn foretells the day?

How far will you go with me, dear heart,  
Will it be to the end of the way?  
Or will you faint in the noon-day sun  
That lights our wedding day?

How far will you go with me, dear heart,  
Will it be to the end of the way?  
Or will you turn where the sun sinks low  
And light turns into gray?

How far will you go with me, dear heart,  
Will it be to the end of the way?  
Will you clasp my hand within thine own  
And walk love's path for aye?  
—V. E. R. '22.

#### MOONBEAMS

A boy and a girl sat out in the night  
Beneath a leafy elm,  
They rode on the ship Romance  
And she was at the helm.

"Oh see the moon," she cried,  
Her eyes were all aglow,  
"What does it remind you of?  
Does it affect you so?"

He gazed into her lovely face  
And gave her arm a squeeze,  
He turned his eyes away,  
As he replied, "Green cheese."  
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