

# WT Preps for Homecoming October 29-30

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## Black Asks Help In Peddler Menace

After administrative conflict with several magazine salesmen on the campus recently, George Black, president of the Student Association, makes the following announcement:

"Students are asked to report to Dean Jones or to me any peddlers or salesmen who are making a nuisance of themselves on the campus or who excessively bother students."

"It is a Board of Regents ruling that no salesmen or peddlers be allowed to operate on any state college campus."

"Salesmen may," he added, "secure permission on specific occasions to set up a table in the main hall and sell their wares there."

"Because of recent disturbances with several magazine salesmen, we are asking students to cooperate with us in this matter and to report any peddlers."

## Chartered Buses Slated for Dallas

Two buses will be chartered to take West Texas students to Dallas for the Cotton Bowl game with East Texas on October 23, announced George Black, student president.

One bus, and possibly the other one, will remain overnight in Dallas in order for the students to visit the fair.

Round trip tickets are on sale at the Book Store for \$9.75. Tickets for the game are also on sale at the Book Store and will cost students 60 cents.

A definite time of departure will be set later but it will probably be around 4 a. m. the morning of the 23rd.

## SLOPPY DAYS ARE NEAR AGAIN—



Yes, this too can happen to you! Probably the fellow just submerging into the cool liquid didn't believe it either when he was told to put on his Stetson and drag out his spurs.

Homecoming is almost here and with it will come the tra-

ditional watering trough. So, you better write home and tell the folks to ship you your "boots and saddle" cause those Western Days are just around the corner.

## Games, Dances, Parade, Bonfire Highlight Plans for Celebration

By Shirley Harrison

Plans for the annual Homecoming events of October 29 and 30 are now being formulated.

Although it may not be the biggest Homecoming in the history of West Texas State it will not lack for excitement, a full program and color.

Everything from a bonfire to a huge parade and night dances have been arranged for or are in the process of formulation.

The highlight of the entire affair will come at 2:30, Saturday afternoon, October 30, when the Buffaloes meet the University of Houston gridders at Buffalo Stadium.

The selection of the Football Queen is expected within the next week.

Activities throughout the celebration are scheduled as follows:

### Friday—

8 a. m.—The beginning of Western Days which means that faculty and students will dress in western garb for the two days.

7:30 p. m.—Bonfire.

8:00 p. m.—West Texas State Frosh vs. Texas Tech Frosh at Buffalo Stadium.

### Saturday—

9:00 a. m.—Registration begins for all ex-students.

10:30 a. m.—Parade through the downtown section of Canyon.

11:45 a. m.—Barbecue at the Tennis Courts.

2:30 p. m.—West Texas-University of Houston at Buffalo Stadium. Crowning of the Football Queen.

8:00 p. m.—Ballroom dancing at the Cafeteria and Western dancing at Randall or Cousins Hall.

The official opening of the Student Union in Cousins Hall will be staged during the celebration.

Dr. Lee Johnson, chairman of the

Homecoming activities, has announced the committees and their members.

Members of the publicity committee are Jerry Malin, chairman; Mrs. T. V. Reeves and Vaughn Vandergriff.

Milton Morris, chairman; Boone McClure, Aubrey Crossland, ex-students Raymond Thompson and Newton Harrell and Gaines Franks comprise the barbecue committee. In charge of bands is Jerry Newman.

Having management of the Homecoming parade are George Black, chairman; Dr. R. A. Neblett, Clay Cooper, Elmer Wooten and Ted Reid. Bonfire chairman is Mitchell Jones.

Virgil Henson leads the finance committee composed of Dr. Lee Johnson, Milton Morris and Boone McClure.

Registration will be controlled by Tom Langston. Mr. Langston has announced that any clubs wishing to sponsor games, stands, concessions or who wish to have floats in the parade contact him as soon as possible.

The traditional horsetank will provide entertainment Friday and Saturday for students and faculty who are not in western costumes.

# THE PRAIRIE

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## Eight New Officers Are Elected

## 2200 Acclaim Navy Musicians In Two Performances Yesterday

More than 2200 music-lovers from this college and the Panhandle were treated to an ear-full of superb music yesterday when the United States Navy Band played two concerts in the Administration Auditorium.

An estimated crowd of 1000, mostly high school bandsters, sat spell-bound through the afternoon performance of the brilliant 55-piece group. The show for the band students was arranged along the line of modern music with emphasis on numbers known and loved by most of the students.

Among the numbers played were: "William Tell Overture," "Sailor's Hornpipe," "At the Circus," "Casey Jones," and "Hit Parade of 1948."

Other than numerous encores asked of the band, the famed musicians offered "The Three Jacks," a trumpet trio, and "Moderne," solo for saxophone.

The evening performance was witnessed by a capacity crowd with the greater number coming from surrounding towns. They were treated to a program of the world's finest classics among which were: "Mignon Overture," "Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2," "Introduction to Act 3 of Lohengrin," "La Raquette," and "Gaité Parisienne."

Several solos were presented along with band novelties which included "Badenage for Brasses" and

## Moore Asks Senior Presence Tuesday

Seniors! There will be a class meeting of all Seniors, Tuesday, October 19, in Room 208S.

It is urgent that everyone attend if possible to discuss plans for homecoming.

Since this is one of the largest senior classes in the history of West Texas State, I sincerely hope that each member will take interest in class activities and help make this a great year for the Class of '49.

Dr. S. H. Condon has been elected class sponsor.

Howard Moore  
President

## - - Calendar - -

Saturday, October 16  
Education Conference for teachers, principals and superintendents.

Thursday, October 21  
7:30—Alpha Chi initiation at Sousa-ins Hall.

If you have your brown book from the Registrar's Office, please return it immediately.

## Close Contests Fill Vacancies In Student Government Machine

The importance of a single vote was accentuated in Wednesday's run-off elections when Gayle Stilwell, Memphis, edged out Morris Mooreland, Petersburg, 37 to 36 for the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Freshman Class.

This race was the highlight of eight contests shoved into overtime from last week's general primary.

The aforementioned race was not the only close one but it was the closest.

E. W. Woods, Pittsburg, California, built up a four-vote verdict over Burke Bell, Plainview, in the torrid extra-round battle over the Senior Class Vice-Presidency. The count stood at 43 to 39.

Lee Mann, Midland, leader in last week's primary for the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Senior Class, garnered most of the votes thrown free from last week's competition to roll up a 51-31 victory over Lloyd Johnson, Wheeler.

Another extremely narrow win was registered by Willis Hawkins, Hart, over Archie Roberts, Hollis, Oklahoma, in their vote-fest for the Senior Senate Post 1 left vacant by Jo Crook who did not return to school this fall.

The greatest marginal victory was rung up by Max Hukill, Pampa, over Billy J. Gay, Tulla, when the Pampa got the nod of 69 voters to 27 for Gay in the contest for Fresh-

man Class President.

Gean Cayton, Vega, clung tenaciously to a four-vote lead to edge out footballer Walter Bateman, Plainview, in the match for Freshman Class Vice-President. Gean polled 53 votes to Bateman's 49.

New Mexican Betty Sparkman was elevated to the post of Freshman Senator by virtue of her win over P. D. Jefferies, Dumas, 57-44.

Max Ray Vaughn, Olton, was the big choice for the Senate 3 slot when 69 constituents chose him while 33 cast votes for Ramon Hernandez, Pampa.

These duly elected students will take their place alongside the ones elected in the primary in governing their respective classes for the remainder of the long session.

Students who expect to complete work for degrees at the close of the spring of fall terms should file applications with Dean Shirley as soon as possible.

## 1949 Le Mirage Ahead of Time Schedule As Workers Concentrate on May Date

"Work on the 1949 Le Mirage is going along at a rapid pace and students are assured of receiving their books in May if something unforeseen does not occur," announced Editor Edith Morrow, yesterday.

"We already have a store of exclusive pictures of campus activities to date," she continued, "and we have plans made for the coverage of every important activity of the year."

Work on the class sections of the 304 page book will begin as soon as the finished prints are received from Autry's Studio and they should be in the hands of the engravers by December 15.

Southwestern Engraving of Fort Worth will do that work on the annual while Watson-Focht of Sweetwater has been awarded the printing.

"The staff of the 1949 Le Mirage," voiced the editor, "is working hard to put out what we believe will be

the greatest and best book the school has ever had. But, we need the cooperation of everyone in appointments, picture collecting and page payments."

Any club or organization that wants pictures taken of parties, picnics or groups for the annual should make an appointment with Edith Morrow or Arletta Williams. These pictures will be taken free of charge. Requests for a photographer should be in one week before the pictures are to be taken.

Personal snapshots may be submitted by any student for publication in Le Mirage. The subject matter of these snaps should include dormitory life, campus activities, sports, social functions, picnics, hayrides, parties or anything of special interest to any group or organization. Prints will be accepted at any time at the office of publications, but negatives are preferred.

The deadline for these personal prints will be November 15.

## Vandale Essay Contest Opens

Two Prizes Given Students Writing Best Documents On Great Plains History

The fourth annual Vandale Historical Essay Contest is being planned for the school year. The contest is sponsored by the Panhandle - Plains Historical Society in an effort to stimulate interest in the Panhandle-Plains region and its history. Anyone is eligible but preference is being given to amateur historical students.

Prizes for winning essays will include a first prize of \$100 and a second prize of \$50. Any Southern Plains area may be used as a subject.

The contest was established by Earl Vandale of Amarillo and Newton Harrell of Claude. Mr. Vandale is an active student of history and has assembled one of the finest collections of historical material in the world on this section of the country. Newton Harrell is vice-president of the Board of Regents.

According to Dr. L. F. Sheffy, secretary of the Society, papers should be addressed to the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society, Canyon, Texas, and must be postmarked not later than midnight of May 1, 1949. Decision of the judges will be final. Dr. Sheffy also stated "I hope that we shall have even more students participating in this contest and by all indications we shall."

Elementary teachers and administrators from thirty-one counties of the Panhandle who will be on the campus Saturday, October 16, to participate in a conference on current problems of the elementary school will hear two talks by Dr. Mary C. Wilson, guest speaker, who is associate professor of education at Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, Louisiana.

In her wide contacts with the program of the public school, Dr. Wilson has served as classroom teacher, principal, and rural supervisor. Last summer she was visiting lecturer at the University of Iowa. She is a frequent lecturer and consultant at state and parish educational conferences.

Dr. Wilson received the M.A. degree from George Peabody College for Teachers and the Ph.D. from the University of Iowa. She studied for a year at Columbia University and has done summer work at Clark University and at Northwestern University.

Dr. Wilson has contributed to numerous professional publications. She is co-author of the Sangren-Wilson Instructional Tests in Reading.

The one-day conference will be held in the Education Building and will begin at 10 o'clock with registration in the main hall. Coffee will be served in Room 103.

### Panel Discussion

At 10:45 the group will assemble in the auditorium for a panel discussion of problems pertinent to the elementary school. Participating in the discussion will be Mrs. Vivian Mullings, White Deer; Mrs. Elsie Ross, Borger; Mrs. Minnie Collier, Hereford; Floyd Hemphill, Amarillo; Dr. James L. Russell, WTSC; and Dr. Wilson.

Preceding the discussion President Cornette will bring greetings from the college and Mrs. Theresa Carrell of Austin will extend greetings from the State Department of Education. Music will be furnished by the Margaret Wills School of Amarillo, with Mrs. Ruby Rawlings directing. Professor F. E. Savage will



Dr. Wilson

serve as chairman of the assembly.

At 1:15 lunch will be served in the college cafeteria. The Demonstration School of WTSC will provide music under the direction of Miss Ada V. Clark. Dr. Wilson will speak on the subject "Classroom Provision for Individual Differences."

### Material Displays

Current teaching materials will be on display in the main hall, in the assembly rooms, and in the film room. Among the materials exhibited will be projection machines, a tachistoscope, a recording machine, a telebinocular, recent books for teachers and pupils, and a variety of free bulletins.

Assisting members of the faculty of the School of Education as hosts and hostesses for the day will be representatives of the local chapter of Future Teachers of America.

## Speech Students To Stage Comedy

"The Flower Shop," a comedy drama in one act, will be presented by the West Texas Speech Department before the Delphian Club show in Memphis, Texas, October 19.

"The Florist Shop" will be directed by William A. Moore, drama director, and the student director is Frances Alice Harp.

The role of Slovsky, the owner of the shop, will be portrayed by Bill Hutchinson, senior from Pampa. Maud, the chief saleslady in the shop, will be done by Beth Kimbrough, junior from Canyon. Jim Bill Caldwell, junior from Miami, will play the part of the florist and the source of Maud's romantic inspirations. Miss Wells, a still hopeful spinster, will be portrayed by Frances Lynn Townes, junior from Amarillo. Plainview's Wayne Rankin will become Mr. Jackson, the very stingy suitor of Miss Wells.



Giving the dummy a thorough going over is engraving representative Jess Harwell, Fort Worth, business manager Arletta Williams, Amarillo, and Editor Edith Morrow, Pampa. If your annual doesn't come out in May—these are the people to get after.

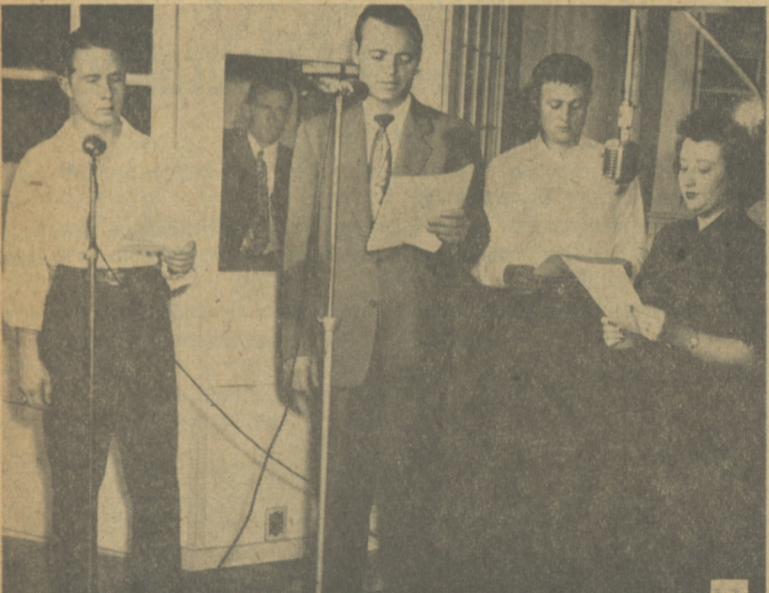


# WT Radio Department Makes Great Progressive Step

ALIVE!

Walker Building Student Broadcasting Work Into One of the School's Best Programs

DEAD!



Pictured above in a live operation of the West Texas State Radio Department are left to right: Bill Hutchinson, Jack Walker, Radio Director; Cecil Boykin, J. W. Caldwell and Lynn Allen.

By Harold Mayfield

The Radio Department of West Texas State is beginning to hit the big time!

When one pays a visit to the radio control room and studio in the Speech Arts Building, he at once encounters a mass of technical equipment. All the equipment in the department is of exacting broadcast quality, and is arranged exactly as it would be found in any good commercial station.

The key to the broadcasting activities on the campus is a three-channel Stromberg-Carlson remote amplifier, a machine of the finest quality available, which provides the "boost" which makes possible the relaying of broadcasts to one of Amarillo's four commercial stations. These relays are sent over a college maintained leased wire to the Southwestern Bell Telephone switchboard in Amarillo and the circuit is completed from there.

From a master control panel in the control room, circuits can be completed in any combination between the Administration Auditor-

ium, the Education Auditorium, the Band House, the Speech Auditorium, the studio in the Speech Building and the stations in Amarillo. In addition, a separate circuit is provided for the broadcast of football games from the press box atop Buffalo Stadium.

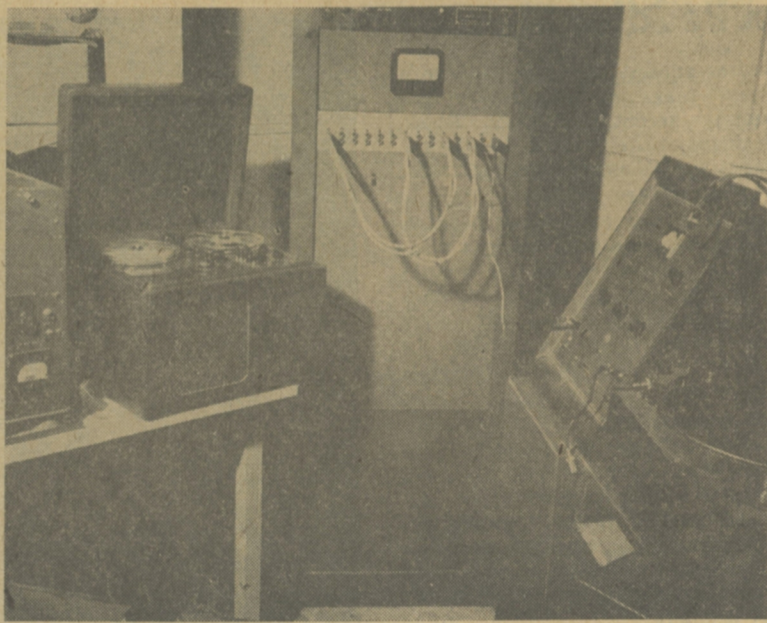
The radio studio is provided with a Soundmirror tape recorder, a machine, which is famous for its faithful reproduction. Machines of this type are in use by most of the nation's radio stations and all four major networks.

**Presto Recorder**

For regular transcription recording, the studio is provided with a professional model of the Presto disc recorder; this machine cuts records up to 17 inch diameter. All microphones in the studio are of finest quality, and although there are various types for various purposes, these microphones are all interchangeable for use with any of the broadcast, recording or public address equipment.

Installer of this equipment was Dan O'Conner, a licensed radio engineer who taught radio classes here last year, but is now devoting his entire time to the teaching of English. He is continuing, however, to act as technical advisor in the Radio Department.

Radio classes are now being taught by Jack Walker, who received his M.A. in speech from West Texas State, and has done graduate work in the field of radio at the University of Denver. Mr. Walker was a radio operator in the army during World War II.



Pictured above is a shot of the new tape recorder and the control panel which are a part of the new equipment installed in West Texas State's rapidly growing Radio Department.

## Is Commercialism or WT Interest The Aim in Cheering Section Plan

Lo, what officials are these,  
That would slight their students to gain some cheese!

Again the nasty episode of student seating at the football games comes to the fore—and rightly it should.

We just wish to ask the responsible officials a few questions and await their answer:

1. Do you honestly think it is fair to place the

- students in Sections I and J instead of in Section H?
2. Do you think the morale of the school is helped by moving the students so far south in the stands that rebel yells are beginning to emerge?
3. If there were no other reason for the change other than a chance to make more money, do you not think that that type commercialism has no place in a college?
4. Were the football players or the student body officials asked what they thought about the change?
5. Did you notice where the Texas Tech and Texas Mines cheering sections were seated?
6. Can the students help it if only a small amount is taken out of their activity tickets for for the athletic fund?
7. Who comes first in this school—the student body or the general public.

We patiently await answers to the above queries. If silence is the answer then every student can draw his own conclusion.

## Confusion and Surprise Greet Band in El Paso

Some places have hospitality—other places have not.

People from West Texas who attended the West Texas-Texas Mines game in El Paso last Saturday night are inclined to agree that El Paso has not!

We do not intend to mean that the students of Texas Mines are classed within the category of El Paso unkindness for no one could have been nicer than their cheerleaders and their band, and we hope we can reciprocate with kindness and friendship next year. They were swell—but, others from the Border city gave no signs of any bringing-up.

The first bad taste of El Paso was acquired when the Buffalo Band arrived and stopped in front of Hotel Cortez in their chartered buses. For some time Jerry Newman, band director, had reservations made for his entire group to stay at this hotel. He also, had several reassurances via mail and wire that accommodations were ready.

But, upon checking into the hotel it was found that only 40 members of the band could be taken care of there. This created a confused and hurried search for rooms. Finally, the remainder of the group found lodging in the Hilton and Paso del Norte Hotels—at an added expense of over \$100 of the expected amount.

Secondly, when the band arrived at Kidd Field for the game they were placed in chairs on the track which ran around the field. Not only were they placed on the track in chairs but they were seated immediately behind the Buffalo football players over whom they could not see.

In their desire to see a little bit of what was happening, the members began to stand up. Immediately they were pelleted from the stands with rocks, programs, coke bottles and other beverage bottles. Luckily no one was injured.

To add insult to injury several cops arrived and stood near the band—making them sit down as fast as they stood up.

One West Texas State photographer—on the field with a pass—was told by some El Paso people to get off the field before he got hurt. He didn't get off the field and no one was hurt.

We wish to say here that this is no sour grapes editorial—we lost a ballgame—we have no alibis.

It appears as though the only thing left to do is wait until next year when the Mines aggregation comes to West Texas so we can show them true hospitality and let them go home and teach it to the people of El Paso.

## Don't Quote Me

By Duane Burrows

I am writing the column today wreathed in cigar smoke. "It's a boy," William C. "Dub" Houchin, proudly announced. The Saturday arrival was born the 11th of October and weighed in at seven pounds. The beaming father tells me that those lusty wails from "Dub" Junior are merely hurrahs for the Buffs. We of WT welcome "Dub" Junior to the class of 1970.

Here are a couple of flashes from Hollywood. Errol Flynn says he is tired of playing the "idiot" hero roles in which he is usually cast. Joan Crawford recently told Denny Plumlee, an Amarillo lad who does some reporting from Hollywood, that she is definitely a Texan and is very proud of it.

After twenty years the hotel site at Seventh and Tyler shows signs of construction. It is really something to behold to watch operations on the building that will stand where the old steel frame-work has marked down-town Amarillo. The new building will be the home of the Amarillo Club.

Keep tab on your taxes. Recently Andrew Sheridan was sentenced to death for murder in a New York court. After his sentence, he was asked his salary before his conviction. He refused to answer this, he said, on the ground that it might incriminate him on his income tax. Speaking of income taxes, have you noticed how little the veteran attending college under the G. I. Bill worries about these taxes?

At last there may be an answer to the mystery of the flying saucers. Professor Edward O. Essig, of the University of California, says they are probably the webs of spiders. The spiders, he relates, spin these "parachutes" and float away with them on the breeze.

## Students Were Wise in Cheerleader Selections

West Texas State should be proud of the cheerleaders they elected for this year.

At all games and pep functions to date they have performed with all that was expected of them.

Four of the selected group made the trip to El Paso Saturday night and led the meager but loud-voiced supporters of the Buffs all through the game.

The Buffalo Band should also be complimented for the way they yelled at the Mines game. Spirit such as they displayed just can't be beat.

Some candidates don't put enough fire into their speeches. Others don't put enough of their speeches in the fire.

If your neighbor insists on keeping his radio blaring until 2 a. m., why not give him a ring at 4 a. m. and tell him how much you enjoyed it?

## Sun Carnival Seeks Beauty, Charm, Personality--WT Helps

By Billie Money

Some lucky girl will represent West Texas State as Sun Princess when the fourteenth annual Southwestern Sun Carnival is held in El Paso December 28 through January 1. The Princess will be chosen by the student body in an election held at the regular assembly October 21.

Candidates must be unmarried, and 17 years old by January 1. Maximum age is 21. Qualifications are that each girl must be attractive, mature, well mannered, poised and that she possess personal charm.

In order to enter the contest, each candidate's petition is required to be signed by 50 students and is to be turned in at Dr. Stuart H. Condon's office not later than noon Wednesday, October 20. Nominees will practice at 4:30 Wednesday afternoon in the auditorium in preparation for the assembly contest.

Expenses of lodging and participation in Carnival functions will be paid by the Southwestern Sun Carnival Association. The Princess will be expected to provide her own wardrobe. Other expenses not directly connected with the Carnival will be paid by a fund set aside by the Senate.

The coronation of the Sun Queen followed by a unique and spectacular pageant presented before the Queen and her Court. The final event of the evening will be the Coronation Ball with dancing to a big name band. Wednesday evening is reserved for the El Paso Symphony Concert, while Saturday, the last day of the festival, holds two major attractions. The first is the "Pageant of States" parade to be held in the morning and the second, the Sun Bowl football classic to be played in the afternoon.

The hours between traditional Sun Carnival features will hold varied and unusual entertainment. Tennis, basketball, International Day, street carnivals, band concerts, and Indian and Mexican dances are some of the events already planned.

## Assembly Committee Outlines Competitive Plan Requirements

There is \$200 running wild at West Texas State just waiting for some energetic club, organization or group of students to grab it.

This situation comes about as a result of the prizes being offered by the Assembly Committee for the best student shows put on during the year.

An announcement as to requirements and prize-awarding came yesterday after a meeting of this group.

They outlined the following plans: Seventy-five dollars will be offered in the fall semester as prizes: Fifty dollars will be given for first prize and twenty-five for second. A total of one-hundred and twenty-five dollars will be given in prizes during the spring semester.

Any student will be eligible to participate in the programs of clubs and organization even if he is not a member of that group. The only

requirement is that he must be a bona fide student of this school.

Any independent group of students may get a sponsor approved by the Assembly Committee and give an assembly program even though the group is not officially organized.

Clubs are asked to arrange for dates at the President's outer office with Tom Langston, immediately. Dates still open for the fall competition are November 4, November 18, December 9 and January 6. The deadline to get applications in for a date this semester will be October 27.

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- I. Introduction
    - A. Is it worth while to learn to learn?
    - B. Is learning a skill?
    - C. Accidental learning.
    - D. Purposeful and directed learning.
    - E. What are teachers?
      1. People: Parents, Pastors, Teachers, Others.
      2. Books, Libraries, Magazines.
      3. Oneself.
      4. Experiences.
  - II. How do we learn? (Intelligence granted)
    - A. Exposure of facts, ideas, processes.
    - B. Reaction to facts, ideas processes.
    - C. Reflection plus memory.
  - III. Tricks of learning
    - A. Proper attitude (You strangle if you drink without getting the drinking attitude)
      1. Physical
      2. Mental.
      3. Emotional.
    - B. Do you foolishly handicap yourself?
      1. Where and when can you concentrate?
      2. Eye-glasses
      3. Distractions—Radio?
      4. Do not kid yourself.
    - IV. Study suggestions
      - A. Have a schedule for study.
      - B. Be strict with yourself.
      - C. Always keep a notebook record of daily and term assignments and notes on things stressed by the teacher.
      - D. Quickly review what you learned on the day preceding recitation.
      - E. Begin work on assignments with the idea of doing well and as

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## Are West Texans Giving Their Eyes Proper Exercise and Treatment---Check Yours Now

Are the corneas of your eyes corrupted?  
Is your iris irritated?  
Whether you think your eyes are all right and without need of attention or not you had better take second thought.

Dr. John B. O'Shea, president of the American Optometric Association, in a recent release, says that seventy million Americans do not see properly and need professional vision care.

Reports on millions of visual examinations, covering all age groups, show that one out of two persons needs glasses or some other rform of correction to see most effectively.

"Visual inefficiency ranks second only to neglected teeth among the country's most prevalent health problems," said Dr. O'Shea. "Fortunately, however, less than 5 per cent suffer from any disease of the eyes."

According to the Association, most vision difficulties are non-pathological and can be corrected by proper professional attention.

Dr. O'Shea points out that good vision is much more important today than in the past. The average American reads about sixteen times as much as his grandfather did, he drives an automobile on increas-

ingly crowded highways, and he works at a job that requires accuracy of vision both for good production and for safety.

A person need not have to wear glasses, however. Until a few years ago glasses were prescribed for almost all visual problems which were not caused by disease. Today millions are achieving correction by visual training, exercises which train muscles and nerves used in seeing.

Possibly the latter paragraph explains the manner in which some of these West Texas coeds go about blinking and shutting their eyes in rhythmical motion.

So boys, just because she happens to be looking at you when she is carrying on these "eye-oddities" is no sure sign that she is flirting. She may only be taking her daily exercises!

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### Betas Announce Sweater Dance

Epsilon Beta gave the dance following the pep rally last Thursday night and now that fraternity is making plans for their second dance of the semester.

The annual Epsilon Beta Sweater Girl Dance is scheduled for Friday night, November 19.

All clubs, classes, and any other organizations are reminded to enter their nominations for sweater girl by Tuesday morning, October 19. Nominations should be given to Don Standley, president of Epsilon Beta.

Voting on the sweater girl candidates will take place the afternoon of the dance. The result of the election will be revealed that night at the dance.

A closing reminder is to get those nominations for sweater girl in to Don Standley at once.

### Clark Presents Club Program

Miss Ada V. Clark of the College Music Department was in Amarillo Saturday night where she presented the program plan for the year to Pi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. Miss Clark is program chairman.

The general theme for 1948-49 is "Teachers and Their Personal Life." Miss Clark announced that Pi Chapter will consider social, civil, political and economic problems of women teachers.

Other Canyon members who attended the meeting were Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. Nell Alexander, Mrs. Nancy McCaslin, Mrs. A. B. Holt, Miss Darthula Walker, Miss Edna Graham, Miss Mae Simmons and Dr. Hattie M. Anderson.

Delta Kappa Gamma is an honorary organization of women teachers.

All organizations and clubs desiring a page in the annual must see Edith Morrow or Aretta Williams in the publications office by Wednesday, October 20.

Today is the last day for students to choose proofs for the 1949 Le Mirage. The proofs are being shown in Dean Boyd's office. The proofs are shown from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4. If the student fails to pick his proof, it will be picked for him.

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### Aggie Club Meets To Reorganize

Monday night, October 11, marked the first meeting of the Agriculture Club for the new school year.

At this meeting the club decided to renew the Charter given the college by the Future Farmers of America; hence, the club will now be known as the West Texas State Collegiate Chapter of the F. F. A. This Chapter was inactivated in 1942. Of the 100 odd members present, only three belonged to the club in 1941. They are, U. F. Coker, Roger Morris, and Dale Pingel.

Officers are: President, Tommy Beck, senior from McLean; 1st vice-president, Roy Reynolds, junior from Canyon; 2nd vice-president, L. N. Johnson, junior from Tell; 3rd vice-president, James Bible, freshman from Canyon; secretary, Max Vaughn, freshman from Olton; treasurer, John Stoneman, senior from Lockney; reporter, Virginia Reid, junior from Canyon; historian, Delmo Williams, senior from Hereford; sentinel, M. D. Abbott, junior from Sudan; parliamentarian, Hershel Lowe, junior from Canyon; Aubrey L. Crossland was elected sponsor. He will be able to assist the club in many ways since he has worked with the F. F. A. before.

### Formulators of Handbook Asked To Make Bids

All persons interested in editing the Student Directory for 1948-49 are requested to turn in their names to Dr. Condrion's office as soon as possible. One or more persons will have the job, with the selection up to the Student Senate.

The person or group of persons handling the directory will be paid 40 per cent of the net profits.

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### Wear 'em Whether It's Cold Or Not--Coats for 48, That Is

By Joy Crooks

It's clearly a coat year and it won't be long until the W.T. coeds will be trooping to classes bundled up in coats comparable in warmth to long woolies and stocking cops. The fabrics used in lining these coats are becoming as important a factor as the outer material. Warmth in linings is achieved in wool, jersey, fur and suede.

Removable linings have at last made the year-round coat a reality. With the easily removable zip-ins, one coat serves to give you warmth in the winter, comfort for unpredictable fall and spring weather and protection from sleet and rain. The adaptability of the zip-in lining laughs at changing weather and the cut and materials used give fabulous warmth without bulk or weight.

Fashion offers styles comparable to the smartest designs in dresses. Choose the profile coat that nips at the waist and flares or the sloping greatcoat to accommodate suit and skirts. Knee length coats glamourize sleek dresses and the casual belted reefer disciplines fall skirts.

Details are varied from the simplest buttons to elaborate collars and pockets. Saddle bag pockets tabbed with big buttons are added to the boy coat that has been popular for so long. Necklines are high this year and the roll front makes its own collar while other styles are adorned with, Don Juixote collars. Persian lamb hugs lush fabrics to give an exciting elegance to dressier coats. Shoulders are sloped and sleeves are slimmer on the fitted, slightly flaring coat.

Unthought of fabrics are being used in the smartest coat styles. Suede is popular and this year it is glamurized to the point of being dressy. Designers have marketed long fitted coats and short flared coats in beautiful shades of red, green and brown suede. Tweed is no longer used only for men's sport clothes. It is being used in the manufacture of women's coats that are about as manish as a persian kitten. The patterns and colors are unlimited.

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including a fur. But, for the lucky coed who desires glamour, service and value, consider a genuine Mouton. As fur coats go, Moutons are inexpensive and adaptable to many occasions.

### Baptist Students Plan Waco Trip

Baptist students of West Texas State, under direction of West Naomi Adkisson, president of the local Baptist Student Union, are making plans for a chartered-bus trip to Waco to attend the annual Baptist student convention on October 29-31. The group will leave early Friday morning, October 29, and return after the Sunday noon service on the 31st.

This annual gathering of Texas Baptist students is planned by the Student Department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and attracts over two thousand students from the college campuses of Texas. The local Baptist student organization is under general direction of John B. Hunter, and the students have asked Frank Morgan to be their faculty advisor.

### Dr. Jacks Gives Frosh Assembly Address Tuesday

Dr. Onah Jacks, new member of the Home Economics Department, will speak on social etiquet and boy and girl relations at the freshman orientation assembly Tuesday, October 19, at 10 o'clock.

### Marching Band Readys for Dallas Trip Next Friday

The West Texas State Marching Band is preparing for its trip to Dallas and the State Fair October 23.

The band will leave early Friday morning, October 22, for Dallas and arrive there sometime after noon. From Friday afternoon until Saturday at noon the Band members will be able to see the State Fair and anything else that may interest them at Dallas.

The Buffalo Band is going to Dallas to attend the game between West Texas State and East Texas State in the Cotton Bowl Saturday afternoon at 3. They will march during the half-time.

Band girls will stay at the Southland Hotel while the boys will stay at the YMCA. The band will return Saturday night after the game.

Those scheduled to make the trip are: Herschel Allen, Sherman Atwood, Dorothy Baker Keith Baten, James Bates, Charles Bell, Bill Boston, Herbert Byars, Sue Ann Colwell, Philip Cross, Mary Dalton, Bill Davis, Nina Jo Dunn, Oren Eubanks, Janet Euler, Cleo Ferguson, Lewis Florence, Martha Foster, Dorothy Gafford, Shirley Goodman, Wallace Goodman, Caroline Guerrero, James Guthrie, Doris Hastings, Bob Houchin, Charles Howard, Pat Hudson, Bill Hutchinson, P. D. Jeffries, Bob Jennings, Billie Johnson, Doris Baker Johnson.

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### Brooks Elected Hall President

Kathryn Brooks, senior from McLean, was elected president of Coussins Hall in a meeting held Thursday night, October 7.

Other officers elected were: Jean McManigal, Happy, vice-president; Pat Sutton, Pampa, secretary; Jan Travis, Follett, treasurer; Jody Marsh, Crosbyton, Joan Starkey, Alamogordo, N. M., and Lora Hall, Plainview, social committee; Ruth Thompson, Borger, Louellen Pennington, Borger, and Bobbie Hall, Hedley, vesper committee; Mary Jim Vincent, Amarillo, reporter; and Vera Daugherty, Hoover, and Leola Faye Irwin, Floydada, publicity.

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### Mu Kappa Delta Meet Stated for This Tuesday

There will be a meeting of Mu Kappa Delta, honorary journalism fraternity, at the Publications Office, Tuesday morning, October 19, at 10 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.



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