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## BUFFALOES WIN FROM C. C. BULLDOGS 6 TO 0

### DEBATE SUBJECT NOW DETERMINED

TRY-OUTS PROBABLY WILL OCCUR IN JANUARY.

Prospective Debaters Will Study on Broad Question During the Christmas Holidays.

Resolved: That the production and distribution of coal and oil in the United States should be regulated and controlled by the federal government.

When, in the early days of April, the baseball enthusiasts begin softening up their gloves and the whang of the tennis racquet is heard on the courts, custom has ordained that the spirit of conquest should spread also to the speakers platform. This opens the season of argumentation and debate.

Three teams of Buffaloes will be in action on the evening of April 14th, next. Southwest Texas State Teachers College of San Marcos will send a team here, while local debaters meet the North Texas State Teachers College at Denton. The last debate of a three year contract will take place at Alva, Oklahoma, where the Buffaloes will argue with representatives of Southwestern Teachers College.

Southwest Teachers College officials, have, as managers of debating between the Texas Teachers Colleges this year, selected the subject for debate from a list submitted by the other colleges. Involving as it does some of the most complex theories of economics—production, distribution, inter-state commerce, monopoly control, and governmental regulation of industry—it is a question which will demand much study if it is to be discussed intelligently, according to statements of students and faculty members who have read it. Newspaper comments from other Teachers College indicate that debaters are already taking instruction in debate and showing a keen desire to win.

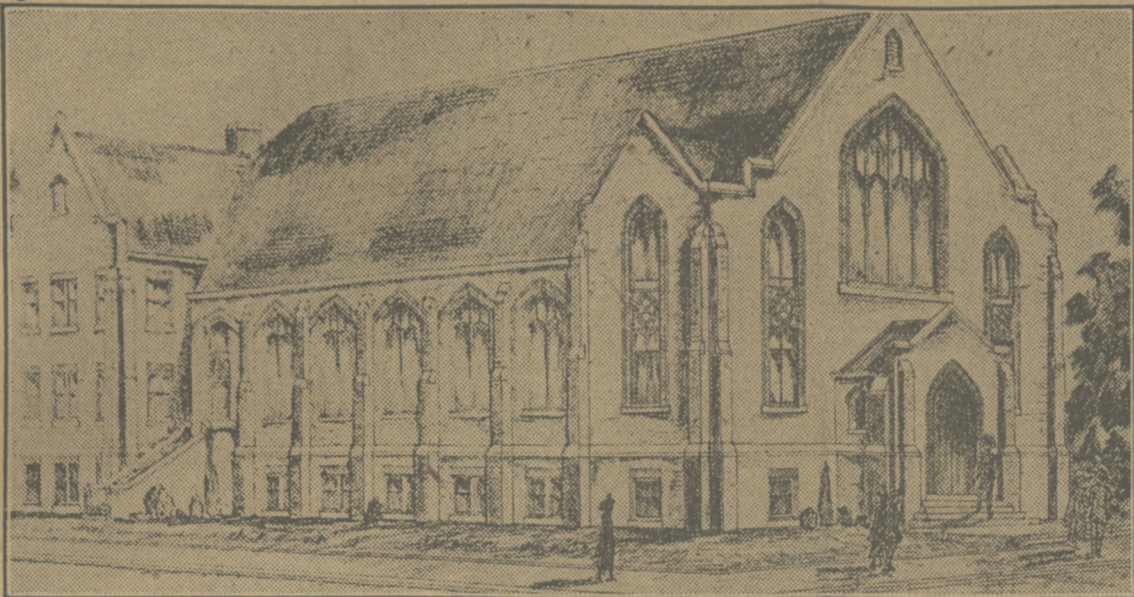
Try-outs for places on the teams here will probably be held in January. Of last year's teams, only three members remain—Mitchell Jones, Jeff D. Smith, and Lee Gibbs. However, Jack Baily, an alternate last year and a member of the Cousins Literary Society, is expected to enroll next term. All the other aspirants who have reported to the Committee on Debates are men of less experience, but among them are several well-known high school debaters. Members of the committee state that not all of the available material has reported, but will do so before the end of the quarter.

### Amarillo Lions to Have Luncheon at Cousins Hall

The Amarillo Lions Club have accepted an invitation to hold one of their regular luncheons at Cousins Hall on December 11th, according to word received by President Hill. It is expected that there will be something like one hundred Lions and wives of Lions who will attend the feed which will be held in the evening.

A short time ago a luncheon of the Amarillo Kiwanis Club was held at the Hall, and last year the Rotary Club held a luncheon there. President Hill states that in the future other worthy clubs of near-by towns will be invited to visit the College and Cousins Hall. The purpose of these entertainments is to create a spirit of co-operation between the College and Amarillo, and to show the advantages offered by "the Educational Home of the Panhandle-Plains."

**KEEP IT UP**  
One step won't take you very far—  
You've got to keep on walking;  
One word won't tell folks who you are  
You've got to keep on talking;  
One inch won't make you very tall—  
You've got to keep on growing;  
A little thought won't do it all  
You've got to keep on thinking.  
—Selected.



CANYON, NEW METHODIST CHURCH IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION.

### Declamation Clash Between Societies Will Be Dec. 12th

Two prizes of twenty dollars each will be awarded the Literary Societies at the close of the declamation contest December 12th. One speaker from each of the four societies will be presented in a program which is expected to raise student enthusiasm to a very high pitch. Try-outs to determine the speakers have either been held or will be completed by tomorrow. The cash prizes are offered by the College with the provision that the money be spent by the societies to improve their space in the year book.

The following rules will govern the contest:

The declamations shall consist of prose selections from ten to twenty minutes in length. Poetic quotations may be included in a prose selection provided the selection as a whole contains more prose than poetry. Humor may be included, but purely "funny" pieces will not be allowed. The purpose of these contests is to train pupils as public speakers and not as dramatic readers or mere entertainers. Therefore, a selection should be chosen which the speaker adopts as his own for the purpose of informing, convincing, or persuading the audience he is addressing. In case selections of the prescribed character are not chosen, the judges shall disregard such selections in the grading and the decision of the judges shall be final.

### Prize Offered Stude Writers

The Green Mark Players of Houston announce that a prize to the amount of \$250.00 is offered through the generosity of a friend for the best three-act play submitted in a prize competition.

The following rules will govern the contest:

1. The play submitted must be an original three-act play by a Texan or a student of any college or university in Texas.
2. The time required for actual presentation must not exceed two hours. (Plays suitable for outdoor presentation will be considered.)
3. The play must be submitted unsigned in typewritten form to the Committee by February 1, 1924. (Name in sealed envelope should accompany manuscript.)
4. The Committee reserves the right to withhold the prize if no play of sufficient merit is offered.
5. Plays submitted remain the property of the author and the prize awarded gives the Green Mack Players the right to the premier performance. The Players also reserve the right to keep any play for presentation by paying a royalty of \$25.00. After presentation play will be returned to the writer.

Manuscripts should be sent to the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. A. C. Ford, Beaconfield Apartments, Houston, Texas.

Committee on Prize Play, Green Mack Players.

Committee: Mr. A. C. Ford, chairman; Mrs. W. E. Kendall, Miss Julia Adson, Mrs. J. C. Hutcheson, Dr. Curtis H. Walker.

My wife is like an umpire—she never thinks I'm safe when I'm out—  
—Mink.

### EXES BREAKFAST AT FORT WORTH

75 EX-STUDENTS AT FIRST ANNUAL AFFAIR.

College Presidents, Legislators, and Faculty Members Present At Meeting.

In the group of 75 teachers who attended the first annual breakfast of the West Texas State Teachers College of Canyon Saturday morning at the Westbrook Hotel were three college presidents and one former president, who are "children" of the Canyon institution, a State Senator, a senatorial candidate and Governor Neff's personal representative, Mrs. Espa Stanford, secretary to the Governor.

J. A. Hill, president of the West Texas State Teachers College, who was the toastmaster, was a member of the first faculty of the Canyon school when R. B. Cousins, now superintendent of the Houston public schools, was president, from 1910 to 1918.

Cousins gave a heart to heart talk about the institution and declared that the West Texas College is a training school for presidents of Texas colleges.

#### Tell of Old Days

R. L. Marquis, president of the Denton Normal, and H. W. Morelock, president of the Sul Ross Normal, Alpine, were present and spoke of the days when they were members of the West Texas State Teachers College faculty back in 1910. Members of the State Board of Regents, who spoke were Miss Margie Neal of Carthage, F. A. Martin Fort Worth; J. P. Bennett, Stephenville, and Dr. H. L. Musselman of Dallas.

Miss Mattie Swayne, member of the faculty and president of the Ex-Students' Association of West Texas State Teachers College, extended greetings, as did Miss Lena Dunlavy of Fort Worth, secretary of the Grade Teachers Association.

#### State Senator Talks

State Senator R. A. Stuart, who is a graduate of the Canyon college, and J. W. Reid, a Panhandle candidate for the State Senate, spoke.

D. A. Shirley, registrar of the Canyon school, put the motion that establish the get-together breakfast an annual event. W. B. Biggers, superintendent of schools of Knox City, was another speaker.

Seven members of the 1914 class of the West Texas College, now teaching in Fort Worth, were present at the breakfast. They are Annie Duke, Lucy Boyd, Lena Dunlavy, Kate Duke, Lula Underwood, Sallie Long and Georgia Moore McCammon.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

### Exam. Schedule Announced by Prof. McCarter

Prof. T. B. McCarter, head of the Department of Physics and chairman of the Examination Schedule Committee, has announced the schedule for final examinations for the fall quarter as shown below.

Beginning on Tuesday morning, the finals for this quarter will last four days. Students will be free to go home just as soon as all of their examinations have been taken. All examinations will last two hours, and will be held in the rooms where the classes regularly recite.

The schedule follows:

#### Tuesday, Dec. 18

Sub-Collegiate Division:

All 8:30 classes from 10 to 12.

All 10:00 classes from 2 to 4.

College Division:

All 11:00 MWF classes from 8 to 10.

All 8:30 MWF classes from 10 to 12.

All 10:00 MWF classes from 2 to 4.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 19

Sub-Collegiate Division:

All 11:00 classes from 10 to 12.

All 1:30 classes from 2 to 4.

College Division:

All 1:30 MWF classes from 8 to 10.

All 11:00 TTS classes from 10 to 12.

All 1:30 TTS classes from 2 to 4.

#### Thursday, Dec. 20

Sub-Collegiate Division:

All 2:30 classes from 10 to 12.

College Division:

All 2:30 TTS classes from 8 to 10.

All 2:30 MWF classes from 10 to 12.

All 8:30 TTS classes from 2 to 4.

#### Friday, Dec. 21

College Division:

All 10:00 TTS classes from 8 to 10.

All 3:30 MWF classes from 10 to 12.

All 3:30 TTS classes from 2 to 4.

### Will Exhibit White Leghorns

According to Professor T. M. Moore of the Agricultural Department of the College, the agricultural department will exhibit some choice White Leghorn pullets at the Tri-State Poultry Show at Amarillo this month.

This is the first year that the college has undertaken the promotion of the poultry industry in West Texas and this is one of the means which the institution is using for the purpose of calling the attention of students and their parents to the value of this most important enterprise in this section of the state.

Miss Catherine "Kittie" Read of Memphis expects to return to school after Christmas. Her mother will come to Canyon with her.

### CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

#### Wednesday

Y. W. C. A. meeting. Hear Dr. Munson.

No chapel to-day.

#### Thursday

Representative Lee Satterwhite will address students during chapel period.

#### Friday

Chapel to-day—Mrs. Phoebe K. Warner of Claude will speak.

Literary Society night. Banquet.

Cousins, Sesames will have programs and rallies. All members are urged to be present with lots of pep.

Last practice for Cousins basketball squad.

#### Saturday

Cousins-Faculty Basketball game in gymnasium at 7:30 p. m. A game you simply cannot afford to miss.

#### Sunday

Get the habit—go to Sunday School and Church.

### CRIPPLED BUFFALOES OUTPLAY CLARENDON COLLEGE BULLDOGS AND WIN BY A CLOSE SCORE.

By J. L. McCarty

The Buffaloes put the last game to be played between them and the Clarendon College on the books as a Buffalo victory, 6 to 0, in which the powerful plunges of the mighty Burson, probable all T. I. A. A. selection, were an outstanding feature.

The score does not indicate how badly the Bulldogs were outplayed, as twice the Buffaloes were within a few feet of the goal line, losing only because a half was up, and again on a slow play.

The Bulldogs apparently outplayed the Buffaloes in the final quarter, and as the whistle blew they were threatening the Buffaloes with long passes from about the twenty yard line.

Burson and Sone shared the ground-gaining honors for the Buffaloes while Golden, Mitchell, Johnson and Deb Bivins were the stellar linemen. Deb Bivins, who relieved Vaughan late in the game, was consistent in breaking up plays and tackling Bulldog players for a loss.

Close did not star for his team as was expected, but had to concede the bright light to Babe Smith, 200 pound tackle. Slaton was brilliant at times. Ratliff and Bull also did excellent work for the Bulldogs.

The game was played on a field laid out in a pasture near the College and the field was in good condition considering the weather. Approximately 1200 fans witnessed the game, which was clean and fast.

#### The Game in Detail

Burson kicked off 40 yards to Slaton who returned 13 yards. Slaton made 3 yards through the line. Hilyer and Close both lost in attempts to gain through the line. Smith punted 40 yards and R. Bivins returned 8 yards.

Herm made 2 yards. The Buffaloes were penalized 5 yards. Burson made five yards. Bivins fumbled but recovered and made 3 yards. Mitchell punted 30 yards.

The Bulldogs could not gain through the line but made first down when the Buffaloes were penalized 15 yards. Two more attempts through the line and an attempted pass failed to make the required distance and Smith punted 50 yards, the Buffaloes receiving the ball on their own 20 yard line. Clark replaced R. Bourland. Sone made 11 yards through the line.

The Buffaloes then began a triumphant march down the field. Herm, Bivins and Burson plowing through the line almost at will.

The quarter ended with the ball in the Buffaloes' possession on the Bulldog 8 yard line. Score, Buffaloes 0; Bulldogs, 0.

#### Second Quarter.

Burson made 5 yards through the line and the second play plunged over the line for a touchdown. He failed to kick goal.

Clarendon received and Burson kicked off 45 yards. Smith kicked on the first down. A Buffalo pass failed. The Canyon team was penalized 5 yards. Burson made 4 yards through the line. Sone made 4 yards. Burson lost a yard. A pass failed and the ball went over.

Burson intercepted a Bulldog pass and returned the ball 12 yards before he was downed. Sone lost a yard. A pass Burson to Mitchell netted 20 yards. R. Bivins failed to gain. Jennings replaced Herm. A pass failed and the ball went over.

The Bulldogs could not make the gain and Smith punted 40 yards to Bivins who returned 12 yards. Burson made 2 yards. Sone 3, a pass failed. Burson punted 30 yards. It was Clarendon's ball on her own 20 yard line.

Close lost a yard. Smith punted 30 yards and Bivins returned 10 yards. Burson made 14 yards. Jennings and Sone made 3 yards each. Hawkins replaced Bulls when the latter was injured.

The Buffaloes continued to gain until they reached the Bulldog 5 yard line. The half ended with the ball in the possession of the Buffaloes on the Bulldog four yard line. Score, Buffaloes, 6; Bulldogs, 0.

#### Third Quarter

Burson kicked off 45 yards to Close, who returned 20 yards. Clarendon made first down on three plays, but were then held for downs, Smith punting 45 yards the Buffaloes taking the

ball on their own 20 yard line. Sone made 8 yards in two attempts. Bulls was out for the second time and Hawkins went in. The Buffaloes failed to make the distance and Mitchell punted 40 yards. The Bulldogs made another first down. D. Bivins replaced Vaughn. The Bulldogs were penalized 15 yards and Smith punted 45 yards. An exchange of punts followed and just before the quarter ended Deb Bivins broke through the line and threw Close for a ten yard loss.

#### Final Quarter

Ratliff lost two yards when Bivins broke through the line again. Smith kicked 30 yards. R. Bivins, returned 12 yards. Burson made 3 yards. Sone fumbled, Ratliff recovered.

A pass, Bourland to Slaton made 14 yards. A pass failed. Clarendon was penalized 15 yards. Deb Bivins tackled Bourland for a 10 yard loss. Smith punted 15 yards. A pass, R. Bivins to Mitchell, netted 25 yards. Sone made 9 yards, Burson 2. The ball was on the Bulldog 5 yard line. Burson made one and a half yards, Jennings was thrown for a loss. A pass failed and Clarendon took the ball on her own 20 yard line. Close failed to gain. Slaton made 2 yards. Smith punted to Burson who fumbled, Bourland recovering.

Sone intercepted a pass and returned 3 yards. Two passes, R. Bivins to D. Bivins failed. A pass R. Bivins to Mitchell made 9 yards. Burson punted 40 yards. Clarendon taking the ball on her own 20 yard line. Slaton made 22 yards, Close 2, Slaton 1. Close failed to gain. Close kicked 40 yards.

R. Bivins returned the kick 4 yards. The Buffaloes were on the 20 yard line. Burson made 5 yards and then lost 2 yards. Mitchell punted 20 yards.

Slaton made 6 yards, Slaton made 5 yards. Two passes failed and Bourland had completed a pass to Close for 3 yards with the Bulldogs on the 29 yard line when the game ended. Score, Canyon 6; Clarendon 0.

#### The line-up:

| Canyon          | Position     | Clarendon   |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| Thompson        | Center       | Trostale    |
| Jones           | Right Guard  | Bulls       |
| Johnson (Capt.) | Right Tackle | Smith       |
| Mitchell        | Right End    | Ratliff     |
| Adams           | Left Guard   | Miller      |
| Golden          | Left Tackle  | Dyere       |
| Vaughn          | Left End     | R. Bourland |
| R. Bivins       | Quarter      | L. Bourland |
| Herm            | Right Half   | Close       |
| Sone            | Left Half    | Clark       |
| Burson          | Fullback     | Slaton      |

Substitutions: Jennings for Herm, Deb Bivins for Vaughn; Hawkins for Bulls.

Officials: Parcels, Northwestern, Referee; Goodman, Texas, Umpire; Cartwright, Texas, Head Linesman. First downs, Buffaloes 13; Bulldogs 4. Buffaloes attempted 8 passes made 3 for 48 yards gain. Clarendon attempted 8, completed 2 for 16 yards. Penalties, Canyon 4 for 30 yards; Clarendon 3 for — yards.

Jack and Jill went up the hill  
To get a bottle of fizzier.  
Jill came down and told the town  
That Jack had tried to kizzer.  
—Pitt Panther.



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### THE FOOTBALL DOPE SHEET

The newest contenders for football fame among the teams of the T. I. A. A. is a team from East Texas. Recently it won a game from the West Texas State Teachers College Buffaloes. The game was won from the Buffaloes after they had made a very long road trip, had played a hard game, and had only three days rest before the game in question. In addition to this they had several of their regulars out on account of injuries. In the game with East Texas State Teachers College at Commerce, the "Lions Stamped the Buffaloes."

What a wonderful and marvelous thing is the modern football "dope sheet." What victories it has predicted, and what glory it has brought! In "The East Texan," the official newspaper of the East Texas State Teachers College, we find the following story. It is introduced by this interesting headline: "E. T. Wins From Texas A. & M. 39 to 0."

"No! Not on the gridiron, but on the 'dope sheet.' This victory will not add to our win column, nor give us national prestige. But the victory is ours and none the less sweet because A. & M. refuse to recognize it. We have the positive proof and are not a bit shy about presenting it. Here it is figure it for yourself. Canyon beat San Marcos 6 to 0. San Marcos in turn beat Rice 24 to 6. Rice won from A. & M. 7 to 6. We in turn won from Canyon 20 to 6. There is figure it out for yourself. E. T. 39, A. & M. 0."

Yes, "there it is," but we have trouble in figuring it out for ourselves. Never in the history of this college have we played San Marcos in football. This fact tends to throw a hitch into the elaborate conclusion reached in the above article. Though we lost some games, our football team was one that we were surely proud of. Basketball comes next, so get out a new dope sheet and watch us go. Let's get that T. I. A. A. championship. Come to West Texas!

### ENCOURAGE DEBATING

Prospects for strong debating teams next spring are not such as to fill the investigator with over-confidence. Due to losses of debaters through graduations, the number of veteran speakers has been greatly reduced this year. Fortunately, considerable other material is available, but real debaters are not produced in a year. The subject for argument is not only broad, but it involves many technical problems. Either coal or oil is a commodity of such importance that it might be allotted the entire evening.

The best talent is none too good for our athletic teams; only our very best can be expected to defeat our Denton rivals and defend the home stage against the orators from San Marcos. It is the duty of the students to show enough interest in debating to encourage the men who make up the teams. School pride will impel a speaker to try-out, but he will not do his best unless the Red Men and every other red-blooded Buffalo give him the support that is rightfully due. What may we expect this year?

### LIBERTY

In this issue of The Prairie appear the last words of a now defunct organization. The Bachelors Protective Association has discovered the error of its way. Like a number of other good theories, it turned out to be impractical in application. In some cases the B. P. A. failed to "protect" and in subordination thinned its ranks. The other "exponents of personal liberty" got what they desired, but they liked

it not.

This outcome moves ye editorial writer to ask: What is true Liberty? Is it really to be desired? Now Adam the First had real liberty; he was the only man who achieved it except perhaps Robinson Crusoe, and he lost it when Eve appeared. Absolute liberty is the right to do anything in one's power without reference to one's self or others. It is the least desirable of modern innovations. Moreover, it is inimical to good citizenship. It is a condition of social existence that the individual renounce some of his freedom of action. There is a wide-spread fallacy that the growth of democracy implies a growth of personal liberty. Not so. Co-operation and the harmonious relation of the citizenship mark the well-ordered republic. This fact should be burned into the mind of every American.

Tirades against the enactments which a few individuals claim will abuse personal liberty are the cries of the self-indulgent who wish not liberty, but license.

True citizens—and even bachelors—will find real happiness not in absolute liberty, but in the denying of themselves in the interest of home and country.

### SOME ACCUSING FIGURES

To a letter from a prominent Texas educator we are indebted for an illumination of Texas' position in the roll of States in a number of important things. For instance, Texas is first in area, value of farm crops, production of cotton, number and value of mules, number of goats, and production of sulphur; third in value of live stock; third in production of oil, production of asphalt and value of corn; fifth in population and seventh in wealth.

Then, for the punch: Texas is first in amount of permanent school fund bequeathed by our forefathers, but—

Forty-second in percentage of children 7 to 13 years in school—

Thirtieth in proportion of teachers normal graduates or equivalent—

Thirty-ninth in proportion of teachers with training two or more years beyond the elementary school—

Twenty-fourth in salaries of elementary teachers in cities 10,000 class—

Thirty-third in salaries of elementary teachers in cities 10,000 or 100,000—

Thirty-seventh in salaries of elementary teachers in villages and towns under 10,000—

Thirty-fifth in salaries in rural schools three teachers or less—

Thirty-seventh in expenditure per pupil in attendance—

Thirty-fifth in length of school term—

Thirty-eighth in literacy of native born population 10 to 20 years of age—

Thirty-seventh in literacy of native born whites 10 years and over—

Thirty-eighth in school efficiency.

"The statement of the facts," says our correspondent, "is a supreme challenge to thoughtful and patriotic Texans."

After which there is little to be said except as to how we may make our standing in school efficiency square better with our standing in material prosperity. Authorized by the State, a group of expert school folks are now engaged in making an educational survey of Texas. The greatest work of the survey will be to obtain an answer to the question, "How may Texas' schools be made to fill Texas' needs?" Then Texans may be counted upon to do their duty.—Star-Telegram.

### THOUGHTS OF COLLEGE LIFE

As we go through college and lose ourselves in the routine of detailed application to fixed tasks, we sometimes miss the purpose of our education in the attempt to realize our desires. Dates of history, mathematical formulae, and scientific data will soon be a jumble to us; only the fundamental principles of these studies will permanently remain as a part of our mental make-up. It is often the most important parts of our college life that appeal to us as the most trifling.

In every person, no matter of what personality; whether he be forward or reserved, serious or flighty of purpose, there is an inherent desire for association which leads to the choosing and developing of friends. Upon the discrimination used in selecting these friends depends much of the real value of our college education. The memories and influence of true friendships will never fade, but rather will become more vivid as time passes. After we have acquired our friends we must remember that the bond is reciprocal. The happiest friends are those who have implicit faith in each other's loyalty.

We must remember that friends are easier made than kept, and that the surest way of wrecking such relations is to put the loyalty of friendship to a test. Ed Howe has said, "Friends are like a pleasant park where you wish to go; while you may enjoy the flowers you must not cut them." Take for friends those who suit you just as they are and, "The friends thou hast, and their adoption tried; grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel."—The N. Mex. Lobo.

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## BACHELORS PROTECTIVE SOCIETY IS NO MORE, PRESIDENT ASSERTS

Many movements with worthy purposes and philanthropic ideals go down on the shoals of time merely because their exponents lacked the physical and moral courage to stand up and be bachelors in "the trying hour." Movements which would no doubt sway the fortunes of mankind and go down through history as shining examples of what men can do when their cause is just, and their efforts are characterized by "the everlasting teamwork, of every blooming soul." Such movements are begun, get a considerable number of converts, and are apparently on the road to great achievements when dissension appears in the ranks. Woe to that organization in which dissension grows so fast that the ruling motives are forgotten.

The trouble may be summed up again in that one little word, "woman." Adam fell from the Garden of Eden on the juice of one little apple, and what a spree man has been on ever since. All men are created free and equal, and yet some of them go right ahead and get married. At birth we are bequeathed one unquestionable right, that of personal freedom. Why is it that man will throw it away so thoughtlessly. The Bachelors Protective Association is no more!

Eve offered Adam an apple, and Adam took it—not that there weren't other apples in abundance, for there were. But this apple was the forbidden one, and man's childish nature was no doubt attracted to it for this reason as well as other ones. The "other ones" were bound up in that little "rib" of fig leaf apparel. So Adam ate!

In the gardens of modern life there were a few fruits that were forbidden to the members of the Bachelors Protective Association. Among these were those that are known as the "first fruits of love." A dreamy appearance, a habit of flirting, and the great satisfaction derived from gazing into the deep brown eyes of members of the gentler sex, are a few of those things

which were denied the Bachelors. According to their code, they should receive much more pleasure from holding a responsible position in the worlds affairs than from holding a soft and shy little hand. In the general mixup, some Eve held out her hand and then her heart, and some Adam tasted of the forbidden fruit. In spirit at least, he is a bachelor no more. You see him staggering under the weight of a new found bliss though he too might have partaken of the forbidden apple juice. "What fools these mortals be." The Bachelors Protective Association is no more!

They have entered into the highly developed art of flirting, and you see respectable young bachelors drinking grape juice and even trying to serenade someone. This seems to be the case with each; "give me wine, women, and song; especially the first three." What they need to drink is buttermilk, and the sight of him when he is attempting to make love would move one to tears, and he couldn't even carry a tune in a bushel basket. One is amazed to see the speed with which some of these young men backslide into the yawning valley that leads to matrimony and dishwashing.

All members of this order deserted their cause and left the president of the order standing alone among the multitude of smiling flappers and love-lorn maidens. The president ceased to stand and suddenly "ducked." He hurriedly hid himself to a desert island, thereby saving the constitution and by-laws, as well as his own neck. There he will have opportunity of musing upon the fickleness of human nature, and of writing his memoirs. Perhaps at some future time he may effect a comeback, like Napoleon from the Isle of Elba, not in the interest of war, but in the interest of the harrassed bachelors of this country.

Of all sad words of man to men, His saddest are these, it might have been.

### BUFFALOES COMPLIMENTED BY THE N. M. M. I. MAVERICK

It is said downtown that the Institute-Canyon game was one of the best ever played on a local field, but we can go a step further and say that it was one of the cleanest as well. The Canyon men are as clean and sportsmanlike as any we ever hope to meet. They played the game hard, all the way through and took defeat like true sports should. It is a shame that things have come to such a pass that clean playing must be praised; but from certain stunts pulled off not long ago, it seems that is the way things stand. Canyon is the kind of team we should like to play again—not because we defeated them this time, but because they have a hard-fighting, clean-playing game.—The Maverick.

### TASKS PERFORMED BY ELECTRIC ENERGY

The French Government, after exhaustive research and experiment, has found that one kilowatt hour of electricity will—  
Drive a sewing machine for 20 hours;  
Clean 15 steel table knives for a year;  
Heat water for shaving one month;  
Clip 5 horses or 25 sheep;  
Light 3 cigars a day for 5 years;  
Heat a flatiron for 3 hours;  
Boil 2.37 gallons of water;  
Fry 15 chops in 15 minutes;  
Heat a curling iron for 20 mornings;  
Incubate 250 eggs;  
Milk 20 cows;  
Separate cream from 350 gallons of milk;  
Churn 440 pounds of butter;  
Chop ½ ton of straw.  
The cost per kilowatt hour of electricity in New York is 7 cents. The average charge in the United States is from 11 to 12 cents, the price in some localities running as high as 14 cents.—Broadcaster.

### MILD BUT SUGGESTIVE

The more than usual lack of intelligence among the students that morning had got under the professor's skin. "Class is dismissed," he said, exasperatedly. "Please don't flap your ears as you pass out."—Froth.

"Mama," said little Elsie, "do men ever go to heaven?"  
"Why, of course, dearie; what makes you ask that?"  
"Cause, mama, I never see any pictures of angels with whiskers."  
"Well," said her mother thoughtfully, "some men go to heaven, but they get there by a close shave."

Buldoc—"My highest ambition is to do something that will arouse the whole world."  
Scott—"Why don't you peddle alarm clocks?"—Sparks.

Soph: That girl of yours looks like a Texas oil field.  
Frosh: Ah, you mean like a million dollars?  
"Naw, like a wildcat speculation!"—Oregon Ag. Orange Owl.

A Virginia editor threatened to publish the name of a certain young man who was seen hugging and kissing a girl in the park unless his subscription to the paper was paid up in a week. Fifty-nine young men called and paid up the next day, while two even paid a year in advance.

"So Maude broke her engagement with Jack because the doctor said he had a tobacco heart."

"Yes, and I don't blame her. Who wants a husband that's damaged by smoke?"—Boston Transcript.

There are two kinds of women you can't trust; those with bobbed hair and those without it.

"Have you been reading much?"  
"Who wrote it?"—Judge.

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Nero—He was a hot violinist.

Herod—He sure knocked off the babies.

Anthony—He turned a wicked brute into a hot dog.

Marie Antoinette—She lost her head in an argument.—Clarco.



## SOCIETY

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### HOME EC. CLUB PLANS OUTING

The Home Economics Club is planning an outing for Wednesday, November 5, 1923, at 4:30 o'clock. All Club members are urged to be present.

All members were requested at the last meeting to pay their dues. Please do so at once.

### THANKSGIVING DINNER AT HILL HOUSE

The "Hill House Gang" and several of their friends were the guests of Mrs. J. A. Hill at a turkey dinner Friday evening, November 30, at 6:00. The following partook of the feast: Tate Fry, Chester Day, Felix Phillips, Merl and Earl Goodwin, and the "Hill House Gang"—Odus Mitchell, Clem McDonald, Evetts Haley, Davis Hill, and Frank Hill.

### NUTTY SOSHUL AT THE BLOCK HOUSE

W. A. L. Nut, Hazel Nut, Brazil Nut and other members of the Nut family gave a "Natty Soshul" at the Block House Wednesday, November 28.

Signs of "Fresh Paint," "No Dogs Allowed," "Watch Your Step," etc., covered the walls. The rooms were decorated with moss and colored balloons. The guests matched for partners with nuts and paper turkeys. The feature of the evening was the "Turkey dinner" which consisted of grains of corn and bread crumbs. Later in the evening delicious refreshments of sandwiches, salad, candy and coffee were served.

### HUNTLEIGH GIRLS HAVE SPECIAL BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Thanksgiving will be remembered by the Huntleigh Hall girls as a very beautiful and happy day. Thelma Jones, who is the chorus director for the Hall planned these and led the girls. Returning in time for breakfast the girls came into the dining room in their Pilgrim costumes and sang "Come Ye Thankful People, Come." During breakfast LaMoine Switzer suggested that each tell something for which she was thankful, and every girl responded. The fact that no two were thankful for exactly the same thing shows that this world is still so full of a number of things.

A number of out-of-town guests were present at the one o'clock dinner, among whom were: Misses Virginia Wayland, Lula Coleman, Sue Braswell, Kathleen Smith, Vada Bussell, Grace Wise, Dell Howard, Dete Howard, Roy Riley, Fannie Belle Hart, and Mr. Enoch Dawson.

### DR. MUNSON TO SPEAK TO Y. W.

Dr. D. H. Munson will lecture to the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday afternoon, December 5, at 4:30 o'clock, in Room 101 on "The American Indian in Literature." All women students are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

The entire program for Wednesday follows:

Prelude—Hilda Biggers.  
Devotional Leader—Tennie Hastings.  
Indian Folk Songs—Grade Children.  
The Indian of Today—Willie Hale.  
The American Indian in Literature—Dr. Munson.  
Trombone Solo—Colby Delaney.  
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### ENTERTAINS WITH BRIDGE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tanner, assisted by Miss Verda Wattenbarger, entertained Tuesday evening with a bridge party. Despite the heavy snow-storm, all the guests were present. The Tante Suite played a prominent part in the success of the party by carrying the guests to and from their homes.

Dainty refreshments of fruit salad, bread and butter folds, olives, and hot punch were served to the following: Misses Erna Guenther, Grace Carness, Berta Mae Looney, Ethel Jackson, Evelyn Carruth, Dorothy Burrow, Tip Bradford and Verda Wattenbarger; Mesdames H. C. Gamble and Eugene Tanner; Messrs. Irby Carruth, Ben Winkleman, George Ingham, Gordon Butler, Bryan McDonald, Lewis Hicks, H. C. Gamble, W. D. Cox, Jerry Malin and Eugene Tanner.

### HUNTLEIGH HALL OBSERVES THANKSGIVING

Those who live on College Street, recently known as Fourth Avenue, were awakened early Thanksgiving morning by the strains of "America, The Beautiful." It sounded as though some choir of girl's voices was singing in the distance. However the singing grew more distinct and on looking out one beheld a sight that recalled the first Thanksgiving three hundred years ago. The ground was covered with snow and winding along the irregular patch was a procession of "Pilgrims," their white caps and kerchiefs distinct in the moonlight. Each carried a lighted candle.

The procession crossed the campus and stopped in front of Cousins Hall to sing the old, old carol of "Harvest Home." The Infirmary and President Hill's home were visited also. Then again singing "Oh Beautiful For Spacious Skies," the "Pilgrims" returned in the direction from which they came and arrived at Huntleigh Hall in time to see the sun rise and to enjoy a good breakfast.

### Y. W. C. A. THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

To give to take, to hate or love; Wilt strive and win and pay? Hast thou one step moved forward Since last Thanksgiving Day? The Y. W. C. A. Thanksgiving program was enjoyed by many girls. It was permeated by the Thanksgiving spirit; each number was a program in its self, and an appropriate link in the whole.

The reading, "Benefits Forgiven," given by Miss Dana Hardin was especially appealing because of the sympathetic manner in which it was given.

The spirit of the day was very cleverly portrayed in the little play, "Thanksgiving in 1696," directed by Miss Johnnie Rowan. Other numbers of the evening were a Prelude by Elizabeth Benton, a violin solo by Agnes Bier, and songs by the Association.

The program was closed by a prayer by Jimmie Knox.

### DR. AND MRS. PIERLE ENTERTAIN STUDENTS

Dr. and Mrs. Pierle entertained a few of their student friends Thursday with an informal dinner. The girls arrived early, bringing their aprons with them, and enjoyed the fun of helping put the finishing touches to the dinner. The boys arrived in time to do their share in relieving the table of a truly Thanksgiving dinner. After dinner they borrowed the girl's aprons and gave stern orders to "Get Out" while they washed the dishes. Orders were strictly obeyed.

An imaginary trip through China was taken when Mrs. Pierle opened boxes and trunks and began to take out costumes, linen, beads, fans, paintings, rugs, bracelets, and many things so characteristic of Peking and vicinity. After a parade in the Chinese costume and having their pictures taken, the guests departed, thanking Dr. and Mrs. Pierle for the wonderful day they had spent.

Those present were Dr. C. A. Pierle, Mrs. Pierle, Eleanor, Margaret, and Ida Martha Pierle, Mrs. Parsons, Alice Fox, Fernie Bowman, Amelia Spencer, Lillian and Frances Fulkerson, Clifton De Armond and Leon Rochelle.

North Texas State Teachers College  
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### LIFE OF A DECK OF CARDS

When you're in love it's hearts;  
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When you're married, it's clubs;  
When you're dead, it's spades.

Mary had a little lamp,  
Well trained without a doubt.  
When Mary's best beau came to call,  
The little lamp went out.

## Much Interest Manifested in Extension Work

According to Mrs. T. V. Reeves, of the Department of Public Service, the popularity of the Correspondence Courses offered by the Teachers College is growing day by day. This is the first year that this institution has offered such courses and the enrollment is not very large yet. However, the school hopes to build up a large enrollment in this department in a few years, as this is the only Teachers College in Texas offering courses by correspondence.

Thirty-five students are enrolled in the department. This does not include several hundred club women who are taking courses offered by the College through the various clubs of the Seventh District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. Of the 35 students enrolled in correspondence courses, 31 are women and four are men; 21 are ex-students of this institution, four are ex-students of other colleges, and 10 are high school graduates.

## Aggie Department To Loan Slides

Lantern slides for the purpose of illustrating such subjects as stock judging, poultry, shop work, and other kindred subjects are being prepared by the Agricultural Department of the College.

Slides on many subjects will be loaned to any community provided that community will pay postage to and from the College, according to Professor Frank R. Phillips, head of the department.

Professor Phillips states that the Agricultural Department has decided to offer the service to the people of West Texas because of the excessive postage rate to and from the A. & M. College and Panhandle schools.

### WELL, WOULD YOU?

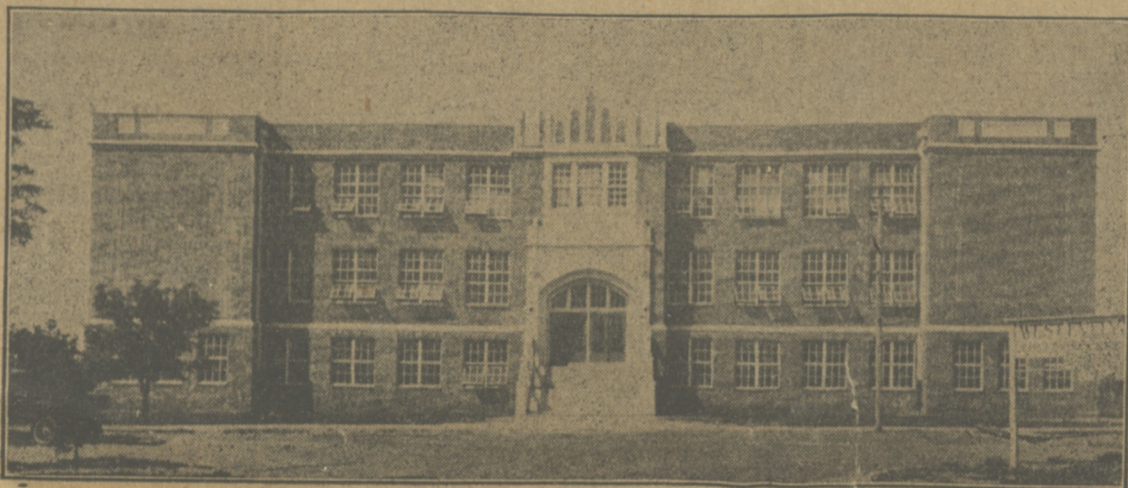
If a lamb gambols, and you grab a lamb by the leg, would you be pinching a gamboling joint?—Rice Thresher.

An Irishman, seeing a fish on the wharf of unusual size, looked at it for a few minutes and turning to a bystander remarked: "The man what caught that fish is a liar."—Bison.

A little rouge, a little curl,  
A powder box, a pretty girl,  
A little rain, away it goes—  
A different girl with a freckled nose.

Don't try to win a girl in a hurry.  
That takes too much time.—Black and Blue Jay.

"Can you dance?"  
"No, but I can hold them while they dance."—Whirlwind.



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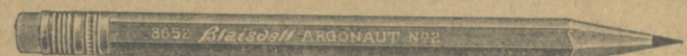
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**Ex-Students Here  
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In spite of a typical Panhandle blizzard and ten or twelve inches of snow, many old students flocked back for the Turkey Day Rally and the Buffalo-Bulldog game. The Turkey Day home coming, fostered by the Randall County Ex-Students Association, had been looked forward to with delight by faculty, student body, and former students of the West Texas State Teachers College.

Huntleigh and Cousins welcomed eagerly all "Exes" and turkey dinners were served at 12:00 o'clock.

The names of some of those who have been with us and the places where they teach follow: Grace Bryant, Amarillo; Opal Dutton, near Claude; Lila Simms, near Panhandle; Eunice Page, Idalou; Florence Smith, Rotan; Bill Falls, Snyder; Sue Braswell, Lockney; Thelma Bivins, Tulla; Byron Daugherty, Friona; Una Brooks Amarillo; Noah Sharp, Amarillo; Virgil Matney, Higgins; Carl Arthur, Hereford; Hazel McQueen, Hurley; Floyd Golden and wife, White Deer; Joyce Oglesby, Clayton, New Mexico; Frank Jones, Highland; Byron Durham and wife, Muleshoe; Kathleen Jennings, Dete Howard, Lorenzo; Dell Howard, Plainview; Lillian Donnell, near Claude; Hula Coleman, Lockney; Miss Simms, Amarillo; and Rose and Ruth Stewart, Tulla and Lockney.

Recent letters have been received from Miss Pearl Isham in which she writes interestedly of her work in rural schools near Archer City, Texas. Miss Isham's friends have much confidence in her ability as a teacher and bespeak for her real success as a rural teacher.

Mr. C. R. Wilson, who will receive his degree from this institution at the close of the Summer Session of 1924, has returned for the third year to Albany High School as teacher of Science.

Mr. Raymond Cox of Chillicothe, Texas, who attended West Texas State Teachers College in 1920 and again in the summer of 1923, is now Superintendent of the Tolbert High School.

Mr. George Terry writes from Booker Texas, he is teaching English in the high school there, and is hoping to secure affiliation in English this year.

Miss Idelle Davis of Tolbert, Texas, is now teaching the fourth and fifth grade in the White City Public Schools.

Miss Lizzie Reese of Vernon is teaching the fourth grade in the Shive school of Vernon.

Misses Orline and Thelma Clink-Scates are teaching in Belton, Louisiana.

Mr. Eric Ming is principal of a rural school near Wellington, Texas.

Cecil Williams is teaching school at New Castle, Young County.

Miss Janie Smith is teaching in the San Antonio schools.

Miss Gladys Short is teaching at Breckenridge, Texas.

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President J. A. Hill, Dean L. G. Allen, D. A. Shirley, John S. Humphreys, Martha Walker, M. Moss Richardson, Helen D. Burton, Frank R. Phillips, Mattie Swayne, Mattie Lee Boyd, and Grace Cavness. Accompanying the faculty was Mr. J. W. Reid, ex-faculty member and present candidate for the State Senate.

Miss Burton went a day in advance of the party to attend the sessions of the Home Economics Conference; Miss Miss Graham to visit her home; Mr. Shirley to attend a meeting of the T. I. A. A., and Mr. Allen for a visit to his home. Misses Boyd and Swayne spent Thanksgiving day with Miss Boyd's parents in Denton. Miss Walker visited in Cleburne and Dallas, and other teachers renewed in various ways the pleasant associations of the past.

The whole Association, while unwieldy on account of its size was thoroughly satisfactory. Ask Miss Boyd what was the best feature you would probably be told the primary work exhibit across from headquarters; Mr. Humphreys, the classical luncheon; Miss Burton the Home Economics section; Miss Richardson the meeting with friends from Austin.

Elsewhere in The Prairie appears accounts of the W. T. S. T. C. breakfast, which was a high light of happiness to all the College and ex-student delegation. To Misses Swayne and Burton and President Hill more than any others is due the success of the occasion. There amid the noise and clamor of the city reigned the calm hospitable spirit of the West. To the former students and faculty members it was a little bit of home.

Pretty Wife—Why does a pretty woman usually marry an ugly man?

Homely Husband—So she can combine beauty with brains.—Judge.

Prof.—Why should we read all of the best of the present day literature?

Student—So we can appreciate the parodies.

**Aggie Department  
Displays Tools**

Finished mechanical articles numbering more than forty types of tools for use about the home and farm compose an exhibit arranged by Professor T. M. Moore of the Agricultural Department of the Teachers College. The work has been done by classes in shop work under the supervision of Professor Moore this fall.

Foot scrapers, wrecking bars, shovels, chisels, punches, screw-drivers, and other articles of a like nature are in the collection. The exhibit will probably be shown for the first time at the Randall County Poultry Show which was held in Canyon Nov. 29. Dec. 1. A more complete exhibit will be shown at the Amarillo Tri-State Exposition next year and at all the county and regional fairs in West Texas.

Material for the tools has for the most part been gathered from junk heaps and from discarded pieces of machinery.

**Hon. J. L. Jennings of  
Canadian Dies at Kansas City Sunday a. m.**

Hon. Jesse Lee Jennings, Representative of the 124th District in the Texas Legislature and attorney of Canadian, died at the Research Hospital, Kansas City at 5:30 o'clock Sunday morning. He went to the hospital a few days ago suffering with a severe pain in his head. Local physicians thought an abscess was formed upon his brain.

Mr. Jennings is well known in Canyon. During his term in the Legislature he took a great interest in the affairs of the College and it was due to his persistent efforts that the appropriations for the College were saved from greater reductions than they suffered.

Mr. Jennings had been urged to become a candidate for the Senate from the new 31st District, but refused to enter the race the week J. W. Reid of Canyon announced as a candidate.

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