

## P. P. H. S. MEET PROGRAM WILL BE BIG AFFAIR

### BANQUET RESERVATIONS IN- DICATE BEST MEETING IN HISTORY

With banquet reservations arriving from all directions and all prospects for the most interesting meeting of its history, the final arrangements for the meeting of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society here April 10 are being made.

Members of the organization and their friends will arrive in Canyon for the first session at 11 o'clock and the program will be carried out as follows:

**Morning Session**  
Auditorium Administration Building. President J. A. Hill, presiding. America, audience and the college band.

Welcome to visitors—J. A. Hill. Special music.

Introduction of P. P. H. S. officers and others.

The society Building Program—H. E. Hoover, Canadian.

Music.

**Luncheon Program**

Visitors will secure lunches at the College Cafeteria, and an informal social hour will follow.

2 P. M. In memoriam—Eugene Bladell, Mrs. George Whittenburg, Judge O. R. McMordie.

2:30 Business Session

Archaeological Treasures of the Panhandle—Floyd Studer.

Society's business; election of officers.

6:00 P. M. Annual Dinner

Home Economics dining room.

Toastmaster—President T. D. Hobart.

Invocation—Bishop E. C. Seaman.

Music—Quartet.

Pioneer Days—Mrs. W. W. Wetzel, Judge L. S. Kinder, L. E. Haskett and Mrs. J. D. Stocking.

Cowboy songs, "The Cowboy's Requiem" and "Roy Bean"—Bill Dawes.

Talk—J. Evetts Haley.

Pictures—Mr. C. Don Hughes.

**District League**

Meet Plans For

April 24-25 Ready

From 22 counties of the Texas Panhandle the cream of the high school students will journey to Canyon for the annual meet of the Texas Interscholastic League District One, on April 24 and 25. The meet will be held on the college campus. Including the coaches, contestants, parents and others interested in the meet, Canyon will have more than 1,000 persons here as her guests during the two days.

W. E. Lockhart, director general of district one states that all the advance arrangements have been completed. The programs being printed are expected to be mailed to all the schools, participating in the activities of the meet, by the end of the week. Lockhart believes that there is every reason to indicate at this time that the meet this year will be one of the most successful, from every standpoint, ever held in Canyon.

Miss Marion Normington, head of the home economics department of the college has announced a home economics contest for high school girls which will be held at the same time as the district meet. This contest is a new feature and is held in conjunction with the meet although it is not a part of it. A number of contests will be held in both clothing and cooking.

A large number of the high school students who are here for the meet are finishing their high school work this year and will begin college in the fall. Officials of the college state that no doubt many of them will become impressed with West Texas and Canyon as a place for entering college.

Winston: "Aw, I don't see why we hafta write these dern themes."

Miss Anderson (probably shocked rather than just wanting to hear him say it again): "What?"

Winston (thinking for once): "I said I get much enjoyment writing these term themes."

J. Evetts Haley, formerly field secretary of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society, and Mrs. Haley were in Canyon a few days last week. While here they were the guests of Miss Anna I. Hibbetts.

**PASSION PLAY**

Hand colored picture slides of the 1930 Oberammergau Passion Play will be presented at the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. These pictures will show, in addition to scenes from the play, side-lights on the village life and members of the cast.

Everyone is invited.

## Wayland Debate Is Poorly Attended To W. T. Discredit

With Mr. C. W. Batchelder presiding, a debate between the W. T. and Wayland debate teams was staged Wednesday night in the Administration Building auditorium. The question for debate was: "Resolved, that the policy of free trade should be adopted by all nations." Wayland taking the affirmative and W. T. represented by Edwin Boedeker and J. D. Hazelwood, taking the negative.

The home team was favored by the audience decision, rendered by the unusually large audience of 16 people. The paucity of hearing was deplored by Mr. Batchelder, who asserted that, since such entertainments are free to those who have student activity tickets, all students, especially public speaking students, should attend.

Mr. Batchelder, who is coaching the locals, was well pleased with the work of his team, but his praise of the opponents, who were coached by Mrs. Warren, was unstinted. They were gentlemanly, courteous, and competent.

## Hill Will Appear Before Teachers' Association Soon

President J. A. Hill, who is mentioned in educational circles as the next head of the Northwest Texas Teachers Association, is scheduled to appear on the program of the association convention which will be held in Lubbock, April 10 and 11, and will carry a message of greeting to the association from the West Texas State Teachers College.

Others from Canyon who are members of the committees of the association are: Supt. I. B. Carruth of the high school, Dean R. P. Jarrett and Miss Jennie C. Richie of the college.

## Senior Class Gift Will Be Arch For Buffalo Stadium

The 1931 Senior class gift, this year to be a steel arch installed on the west side of Buffalo Stadium, has been ordered, according to Bartow Johnson, president of the class, and is to be ready by Class Day, May 18.

The arch is to be 16 feet wide and 10 feet high, with "Buffalo Stadium," in rustless steel raised letters across the width of it. The letters will be lighted by flood lights placed on the cement pillars at each side of the gate. These pillars are to be brick veneered, with the class plate inserted in one of them.

The gate between the pillars is to be of steel pickets. The whole arch will cost approximately \$300.

## List Made by Book Selection Class May Be Helpful

The following is a suggested list of books on vocational guidance selected by the class on book selection for high school libraries. Prospective teachers may find these helpful:

1. Filene, Catherine—"Careers for Women." 1920, Houghton Mifflin Co., \$2. "A series of articles by women engaged in almost every conceivable activity. . . Each report covers, where possible, a description of the occupation, qualifications desirable for success, training (often schools are named), advantages and disadvantages, financial return, opportunities for advancement, supply and demand, and suggestions for readings. No time is spent on theory or abstract principles of choice. . . Will be useful in any library."

2. Ernest, Clayton Holt, editor. "What Shall I Be?" (Open roads for young men). 1924, Appleton Co., \$1.50.

Information and advice to help young men in choosing a vocation, each chapter being written by an expert. The subjects of the chapters are law, chemistry, banking, accounting, farming, medicine, foreign trade, packing, traffic management, department stores, lumber business, and pharmacy.

3. Gowan, Enoch Burton; Wheatly, William Alonzo, and Brewer, John Marks. "Occupations"; a text book in vocational guidance. Revised edition 1923; Ginn Co., \$1.48.

A book of practical information on a wide variety of occupations, with advice on choice and preparation. One of the best books for high school use. The revised edition is designed for girls as well as boys. (Continued on last page.)

## MAY 6 IS DATE SET FOR COUNT VON LUCKNER

### LONG DELAYED LYCEUM LECTURER RETURNS TO ROAD AFTER ILLNESS

At last a definite date has been set for the appearance of Count Felix Von Luckner, the "Sea Devil," on the W. T. lyceum program. He is to be here for his much-talked-of address on Wednesday, May 6.

Although scheduled to appear at W. T. during the winter quarter, Count Luckner was unable to fill his engagement due to injuries received in a car accident during the Christmas holidays. Ever since that time he has been recuperating, forbidden by his doctors to continue his lecturing until his condition improved.

At this date he has resumed his tours, and is again thrilling American audiences with accounts of his adventures in the World war, on board his famous ship, the "Sea Eagle." His story is the greatest romance of the war.

The war over, he has been significantly honored all over the world for his humane treatment of prisoners, his daring, and deeds of valor. Everywhere he is hailed as the "famous sea devil who learned the secret of waging modern warfare without taking human life—yet lived adventures that out-thrill the wildest dreams of fiction!"

Admission to the lecture to be given here by Count Luckner will be the presentation of the student activity ticket or \$1.50.

## Randall Co. Meet Held at College Saturday, April 4

Among the many activities of interest taking place in and around W. T. during the last week was the Randall County Interscholastic League Meet which was held here Saturday.

All literary events of the meet were held in the Education Building. In connection with this was the school fair on display in room 202 of the Education Building at the same time. Among the literary events were the Three R contests and the declamations.

In the afternoon the track meet was held on the Buffalo track. The track contests consisted of relays, and 100-yard dashes.

Among the fourteen schools which entered the meet there were twelve cups distributed in the various contests.

## Ten Letters Are Given Champion Buff Cage Team

The athletic committee of the West Texas State Teachers College announces awards of basketball letters to the following members of the 1931 championship Buffalo squad: Otis Burk, Ralls; Edwin Comer, Clovis, N. M.; Joe Fortenberry, Happy; Bob Clark, Turkey; Captain Hatcher Brown, Canyon; Glen Fitzgerald, Borger; Frank Monroe, Canyon; Milton Morris, Perryton; Guy Richards, Ralls, and Leo Cooper, Lockney.

Captain Hatcher Brown is the only one to be lost by graduation this year. All the other men have two and three more years of competition. The Buffs promise to reign supreme on the hardwood floor for the next two or three years, since the 1931 team was made up, for the most part, of freshmen and sophomores, and were able to top the list in the T. I. A. A. this year.

## Hereford Chorus Will Sing Here

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, the Hereford Municipal Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. L. N. George, will present an Easter cantata, "Calvary," in the auditorium of the Education Building at the college. The chorus which presented the same cantata in Hereford Sunday night, is composed of fifty voices.

**NEW THEATER ATTRACTION**  
The Buffalo Theater opened last Saturday night with the picture, "Tolable David." This theater is now operating in the old Strand building, which has been completely remodeled, and which has installed a talkie machine. It is now under the management of E. P. Ellis.

Margaret: "The man I marry must be square, upright, and grand."  
Boone: "You don't want a man. You want a piano."

## Letter of Unusual Interest Received From Jewel Cowan

A most interesting letter has been received in the Prairie office from Mrs. J. T. Murrell, formerly Miss Jewel Cowan and a member of the W. T. High School faculty.

Miss Cowan left W. T. in December, 1929, going with her husband to South America where he is engaged in civil engineering. At the time the letter mentioned was written Mr. and Mrs. Murrell were in Barinitas, Venezuela.

Extracts from her letter are given below. They are particularly interesting because of the light they throw on the primitive modes of life in that remote region, and because of Mrs. Murrell's inimitable sense of humor as shown in them.

"Almost without warning, — we were notified last August in Ciudad, Bolivar, that we were to move to the western part of the country. So we took the river steamer down to Trinidad, stayed there a few days, then got a French boat to Curacao. On the way we touched at two ports on the Venezuelan coast, Carupano, which is noted for its rum, and La Guayra, the port for Caracas. At La Guayra, after some argument with the officials to convince them that our intentions were harmless, we were allowed to go ashore. Caracas is not far (fifteen miles direct, twenty-nine by road) inland, and is over three thousand feet higher. The road is concrete and is recognized as a very fine piece of engineering. If you can imagine La Bajada Hill, between Santa Fe and Albuquerque, many times enlarged, you can picture the drive. Caracas is one of the few really civilized towns in Venezuela. It has some beautiful homes, public buildings, plazas, clubs, etc. The climate is perfect, just cool enough for a coat at night.

"The French boat on which we traveled was different from others that we had ridden. It was distinctly second rate, but the best we could get without waiting. We had a cabin de luxe on "A" deck, but I did not even catch sight of a bath during the several days that we were aboard, though I heard rumors that there was one on one of the lower decks. So I simply washed, as the English say.

"We had hoped for at least a day in Curacao, because it is a duty-free port, and is a fine place to shop because it has goods from the States. Also it lies in the path of all vessels coming through the canal and one can buy much from the East Indies, India, China, and Japan. . . . I have conceived a vast admiration for the Dutch, because they are so clean and efficient. Curacao is a regular Babel; everybody down to the dock hands speaks at least three languages, and signs are printed accordingly. "From Curacao to Maracaibo we rode a Dutch boat, small but speedy, and spotlessly clean, with a shower bath right at hand, and excellent food, even to the cheese for breakfast. . . ."

Mrs. Murrell continues and describes her trip with her husband up into the Andes to the little town of Barinitas. Of their entrance into the town she says:

"We finally rode into Barinitas, our destination. I created great excitement, as I had all along the way, because I was wearing trousers. They say I am the only foreign woman ever to cross the trail, and certainly the first one in pants!"

Mr. and Mrs. Murrell's address until they return to the states will be Apartado 234, Maracaibo, Venezuela.

**COMING SOON**  
What? The Christian Endeavor of Canyon will be host to the Christian Endeavor Convention of the Panhandle District, to be held from May 8 to 10 at the first Christian church. The local society is planning to entertain about 200 delegates from all the Endeavor societies in the Panhandle.

Among the prominent out-of-town speakers to appear on the program are Harold Singer, Midwest secretary of Christian Endeavor of Topeka, Kan.; Harold Lovett, state secretary of Christian Endeavor, Dallas, Texas; Bertha Sea and Hattie Mae Wood, district and state presidents, respectively, from Amarillo.

Frank (to Hatcher): "What do you call your girl, Col. Gowdy?"  
Hatcher: "I call her Bon Ami."  
Frank: "Why so?"  
Hatcher: "Because she hasn't scratched yet."

**NOTICE**  
Those wishing to apply for the agricultural scholarship for next year should fill out application form in the agriculture office this week.

## TYPE-HI TRIP TO AMARILLO IS SUCCESS

### LOCAL PRESS CLUB MEMBERS VISIT NEWS-GLOBE PLANT THURSDAY

Observing the huge rotary press in operation, and visiting the casting room were the features of the trip made by the Type-High Press Club members to the plant of the Amarillo News-Globe Thursday afternoon.

Through the kindness of the Amarillo staff, the group was taken through the entire establishment, from the editorial room to the shoot through which the wet papers are delivered to the news-boys, and were shown all the various processes involved in the printing of the paper. They visited the distribution department, and saw the new papers being wrapped for mailing, and were each given a copy from the press. They descended to the casting room, where they were shown how each page of the News-Globe is made into a mat and cast in lead to fit the circular roller of the press. From there they went into the press room itself, and watched the great machine as it turned the big rolls of blank paper into the afternoon edition of the Amarillo Globe.

Those making the trip were Martha Nell Lang, Charlie Kiker, Mary Alice Weaver, Esther Mae Smith, Frances Lewis Reeves, Helvie Lou Bagley, Janet Holmes, Elva Lee Bagley, Dee Blythe, Lonie Beth Weaver, Sally Mary Campbell, and Ford Ward. Mr. L. A. Osgood sponsored the trip.

## Howard James' Art Exhibit Now Being Held in Room 206

The Phidias Art Club members are sponsoring a one-man exhibit, pictures by Howard James of Washington, Penn., in the art room, No. 206, from now until April 13.

The exhibit consists principally of pencil drawings; however, two oils are included. These two paintings are of the same type as "Spring Rain" by Mr. James, in the exhibit of the Southern States Art League which was shown here some weeks ago. "Spring Rain" was given second place by those visiting the exhibit.

There is no admission charge for the present exhibit of Mr. James' work. The public is invited to see it from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. in the art room during this week.

## 3 W. T. Students Go to Conference Held in Lubbock

W. T. was represented at the Third International Relations Conference held in Lubbock last Monday and Tuesday by Scott Laycock, Bill Brian, and Richard Lewis, all members of the local International Relations Club.

The conference was attended by delegates from seven colleges in West Texas and eastern New Mexico. Many of the contemporary international developments were discussed.

Bill Brian and Scott Laycock both had places on the program. Mr. Brian led a 40-minute discussion of the Russian situation, and Mr. Laycock took part in the discussion of Pan-American problems.

The conference closed with a banquet at the Lubbock Hotel at which Miss Amy Hemingway Smith of New York City spoke on "The Present World Situation."

## T.I.P.A. Convention To Be Held May 1-2

According to a recent communication from Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College at Nacogdoches, the annual convention of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association will be held there on May 1 and 2, Friday and Saturday.

Arrangements are being made for W. T. to send delegates to the convention representing the Type-High Press Club which is a member of the association. It is hoped that both the staff of the Prairie and that of Le Mirage will be represented at the convention this year.

Barber (to Dr. Jarrett): Your hair is getting very thin on top, sir. Have you tried our wonderful hair tonic?

Dr. Jarrett (complacently): No it isn't that.

Never tell a woman that a thing is as plain as the nose on her face.

## Bishop Seaman Speaks in Chapel During Conference

As a part of the Student Religious Conference which was held here Friday and Saturday of last week, the local Students' Religious Council was in charge of the program given Saturday morning at the chapel hour. Bishop E. C. Seaman of the Episcopal church was main speaker, talking to the assembly on the subject of "God on the Campus," which was the general theme subject of the conference.

Edna Lawliss, a member of the local council and chairman of the morning's program, introduced Bishop Seaman, and several delegates from other schools, who were in the audience.

The program opened with a song by Mr. Earnest, "The Holy City." Bishop Seaman's address, which followed the song, dealt with the "loyalty to friends and teachers" phase of the larger subject "God on the Campus." The obligation of students to a good leader in the person of their president, or other administrative officer was stressed, as well as the latter's obligations to his students.

## Hershel Jennings Becomes Member Honor Fraternity

Hershel Jennings, who is a former student and teacher of W. T., has been doing excellent work in Colorado State Teachers College, where he is now going to school on leave of absence from W. T. He recently became a member of Phi Delta Kappa honorary fraternity. He is also working with their tumbling team and has won first in his weight in the wrestling tournament.

Mr. Jennings will complete his work for his master's degree this term, after which he will resume his position in the commercial department here.

## Large Number Of College Students Church Members

Seven hundred sixty-two of the students who are enrolled in the West Texas State Teachers College are identified with some church according to statistics compiled in the office of the registrar, D. A. Shirley.

While there are sixteen denominations represented, more than 95 percent are members of five churches. The Methodist leads with 311. Baptists have 224, the Church of Christ is the choice of 73. The Christians number 70 and the Presbyterians 61.

Other preferences named are Church of Christ, Scientist; Episcopal, Lutheran, Adventist, Nazarene, Congregational, Unitarian, United Brethren, Roman Catholic.

## Historical Meet Program Complete; Opens Next Friday

Plans for the annual meeting of the Panhandle-Plains Historical society on April 10 are maturing satisfactorily according to the officers of the society. The programs for the three sessions have been carefully worked out and practically all of the persons who have been asked to appear have expressed an enthusiastic desire to take part on the program.

The treasurer, W. L. Vaughan, states that a large number of tickets are being reserved and there is every reason to believe that the attendance at the banquet this year will be as large or larger than ever before.

A topic which has never been emphasized on a Historical society program is that of the archaeological treasures of the Panhandle. This subject will be discussed at the afternoon session by Floyd Studer of Amarillo, who is probably the Panhandle's foremost authority on archaeological and paleontological subjects.

It is the hope of the Historical society officers that all the people in Canyon who are interested in the organization will attend the meetings. The first session will be held at 11 o'clock in the college auditorium, and following it persons who wish to do so may secure luncheon for a small amount and enjoy an informal social hour at the college cafeteria.

The afternoon session will begin at 2 o'clock with a short memorial service. The afternoon meeting will be held in the auditorium of the education building. The banquet will be at 6 p. m. at Cousins Hall.

## ALL-COLLEGE STUNT NIGHT FINDS FAVOR

### FACULTY AND OTHER STUNTS BRING DOWN HOUSE AT FIRST PROGRAM

The faculty stunt had the crowd in the aisles Thursday night in the Administration Building auditorium. The stunts were given to a capacity house and there was no doubt as to the success of the idea of an all-college stunt night.

The judges decision was a divided one, the W. A. A. stunt winning the prize of \$5 after considerable debate. The Pi Omega stunt held a close second place. The Y. W. C. A. should be proud of such success and they were true to their promise of the "most fun ever given for a dime."

All of the stunts were excellent, but it was for the welfare of the other stunts that the faculty was not competing for the prize. Miss Graham alone as bride and groom, preceded by Miss Swisher as flower girl, would have carried off the laurels.

The Cousins-Sesames opened the evening with a stunt that was a howling success. Following them, the Red Men uncorked the mirth bag with a style show of unusual models. Next came the Pi Omegas and their concoctions of potions that emitted various tunes when hammered with small ping-pong balls on the end of sticks. The winners followed with three giant colonial tap dancers, who danced off with the five dollar gold piece. Last on the program was the Antler-Elaphian stunt. Giant Joe Fortenberry and his shadow stood in the lime light of a group of songs sung and acted out in the form of old school-day memories.

The Canyon Novelty Orchestra, made up of J. T. Marshall, violin; Elzie Price, violin; C. T. Marshall, cello; H. C. Roffey, guitar; E. C. Hawes, guitar; E. S. Furlow, guitar, and W. M. Gordy, piano, added much to the swing of the program, and the enjoyment of the audience. Even the judges caught the spirit and gave a Mutt and Jeff act, personified by Rev. Kunze and Mr. Charlie Burroughs.

## Geraldine Green Attends A.A.U.W. Meet in Boston

Mrs. Geraldine Green of W. T. who is on leave of absence studying at Columbia University, will attend the Fiftieth Anniversary convention of the American Association of University Women in Boston from April 8 to 11.

The convention will be held in the Hotel Statler in Boston. A splendid educational program has been worked out and the work of the convention will be centered on pre-school, elementary, and adolescent education and the junior college.

**STORK SPECIAL**  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Mitchell of Houston, Tuesday, March 24, a seven-pound boy. Mrs. Mitchell will be remembered as Miss Corine McReynolds of Canyon, and an ex-student of W. T. S. T. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelley of Pampa are the parents of a baby girl born March 14. Mr. Kelley was formerly associated with A. E. Terry in his studio here. He is now a member of the public school faculty at Pampa.

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## ATTENTION!

Have you bought your year-book? Students and faculty members, come by the Publications office and sign for one.

The 1931 Le Mirage promises to be one of the best annuals that W. T. S. T. C. has ever had. Did you know that—

The size of the book has been increased to a 9-inch by 12-inch standard college annual?

The 24-page feature section will be the first thing in the book?

Our T. I. A. A. tennis and basketball teams have individual pictures?

There are 18 pen and ink sketches of articles from the P. P. H. S. museum?

The ex-libris page is the map of the Panhandle drawn by Miss Isobel Robinson, head of the art department?

The "grind" section is the first one for W. T.?

Each of the six college beauties will have a full page picture?



## THE PRAIRIE

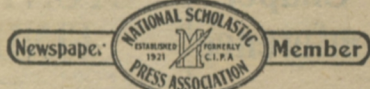
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## REMOVING LITERARY BOUNDARIES

Two women were chatting as they waited at the desk of a large city's public library. One confided that she had decided to discontinue her membership in a book club because "they send so many translations of works by foreign authors." The other answered that she was keeping her membership just to get such books. Their discussion causes one think of several comparatively recent changes which have tended to remove the world's literary boundaries.

Book clubs, syndication, improved reviews and more ingenious advertising by publishers account partly for the fact that writers may gain world-wide attention within a few months. Whatever objections may be raised to the book clubs' methods, they have reached thousands of readers in the United States for authors who were hardly known except by critics, college professors and a few literary students.

Weekly and monthly reviews have called attention to publications which acquaint readers with contemporary literature ahead. Several critical journals in the United States devote columns regularly to books published in other countries. The broad appeal of these journals is illustrated by comments on such subjects as literary London, anthologies of Australian, Italian and Swiss literature, new novels in Soviet Russia, book news from Buenos Aires, French and German views of America, and modern Italian humor.

Meanwhile, publishers are alert to new possibilities, and the serial publication of novels and memoirs in newspapers reaches millions of readers who rarely buy books. From these developments a distinct benefit may be expected. Even those who may not travel widely have a better opportunity to learn about other countries by reading their contemporary literature in translation.—Christian Science Monitor.

## IN DEPRESSION LET CHILDREN SUFFER LAST

Many of the gains made by the schools during the past decade will be lost unless the American people adopt the policy of letting children be the last to suffer from the present depression.

In one state it is seriously proposed to close the doors of every school for a year. Another state has just voted away its fundamental tax provision for schools without substituting any other means of support. It is proposed in other places to reduce the length of the school term. Classes are being increased in size until they cannot be handled effectively; appropriations for teaching and equipment are being reduced—the services of the schools weakened.

At no time in the history of our nation has the unifying and stabilizing influence of the schools been so greatly needed. Upon the schools the nation depends largely for developing loyalty to the institutions and principles of American government.

The schools promote loyalty to American ideals. They teach respect for law and the Constitution, admiration for our great national heroes, and a knowledge of the nation's struggles for freedom and independence. They make our diverse peoples one.

They develop the vocational skills which are necessary to fit our citizens to the new conditions and demands of industry. They foster the ideals and habits of character which are needed to meet the peculiar temptations and conditions of today's life.

Educational leaders feel that it would be a great mistake at this critical period to weaken the services of the institution upon which we must rely in large measure to correct the adverse conditions which now exist among our people.

## John W. Edgell, First Publisher In Randall County, Has Been Invited To Attend Annual Meeting of P. P. H. S.

An invitation has been extended to the first editor of a newspaper ever published in Randall county, to be present at the annual meeting of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society to be held at the college on April 10, at which time hundreds of the old-timers of the Panhandle will be present to visit with friends of former days and relieve in their memory happenings of a day when this country was yet a little less than an open frontier.

A very urgent invitation has been extended by John Knight and others to John W. Edgell of McAlester, Okla., who established the Canyon City Echo, here in 1890 and edited it for several years afterward. The paper, according to Mr. Knight, was established less than a year after Randall county had been organized. Mr. Knight and Mr. Edgell had been friends in Oklahoma several years before. It was through Mr. Knight that he learned of this section of the country and decided to move his small newspaper plant here.

The press upon which the first newspaper was printed is now in the museum of the society located at the college. It was donated from the plant of the Warwick Printing Company about a year ago by Clyde W. Warwick. Mr. Knight believes that it will be a treat to the others who will attend to have Mr. Edgell present at the meeting next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgell celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary only a few days ago. The following is a part of the newspaper account of the celebration:

"Sunday, March 15, will mark a special milestone in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Edgell, as they celebrate their fifty-first anniversary of their wedding.

"Mr. Edgell is now 76 and his wife 74. They came to 'South' McAlester from Rind Creek, Mo., 36 years ago and at once established a printing plant in which they issued a paper known as 'The Wasp' and long to be remembered by the pioneer settlers here.

"Quite a few citizens had their ambitions stung by sharp jabs of Edgell in campaign times and the cleverly gotten up sheet undoubtedly figured in the line-up of early officials in the first town government. His wife always aided in the publication of the paper.

"Both Mr. and Mrs. Edgell retired to a more quiet life some years ago. Mrs. Edgell's hobby is roses and flowers. John Edgell finds it an advantage to share honors when the wife's garden is praised by visitors."

In football it's grit; in spinach it's terrible.

## Tricky Swede



Here's El Brendel, ace of comedians, who is co-starring with Fifi Dorsay in "Mr. Lemon of Orange," hilarious Fox picture.

## Olympic Theater

## KAMPUS KNICK KNACKS

BY COL. GOWDY

We've heard quite a lot of griping lately about people hogging the tennis courts, and not giving those that are coming out for the tennis team a chance to play. This is a shame, boys and girls, in spite of the fact that W. T. is too poor to fix up a few decent extra courts. We're indeed surprised. All I know is that it's none of my business and that it's been happening for years. So don't be alarmed. If you want a court just go knock a few hogs on the head and take one unto thyself.

**GOLFERS NOTICE:** A new rule has been passed on the college golf course: Lost balls are not to be picked up until they have stopped rolling.

Bill Dawes gets credit for the following Scotch joke—see if you can figure it out. This certain Scot had a number of relatives hurt in a car wreck and he wished to write his folks concerning the accident. To get a certain rate on the telegram he had to cut it down to ten words. Here's how it read:

Brusses hurt erased afford erector analysts hurt too infectious dead. (Translated next week).

Well, well, well, the week passed with only two snows . . . sumpin's wrong. April 1 went by like any other day; in fact, most of the school didn't know what day it was. Well, that's just a freshman for you anyhow.

If the Col. don't miss his guess some of these Panhandle farmers will be filing in the registrar's office trying to sign up for a course in watching young ladies dance. Well, there is some difference in that and the farm, and we're glad to entertain our fellow sufferers.

We're glad that students from various colleges gathered at the college Saturday for a modern student get-together. If there is anything that colleges need it's more student authority and individual thinking. The trouble today is that the college student is taught to think with some one else's mind. Here's for more individuality.

Stunt night was a wow! The faculty stunt was a knockout featuring Graham in a double role of bride and groom!

The Antler-Elapheian program in chapel Tuesday typified the modern court room in the battle for the life or death of a man who tried to get an education at W. T. It was punctuated by Sheriff Haley's big gun.

Wouldn't it be great if: Your girl was ever on time for a date; the bookstore would give a reduction sale; people would tend to their own business; nobody got mad; it never would snow in the summer any more; more people would smile; you could see a show for fifteen cents; money grew on trees; newspapers would quit making mistakes; and politicians would quit making speeches?

The Col. takes a little nip of hair tonic and turns out the following play in one act.

Jonah and the Whale, or Who Swallowed Jonah.

## ACT I

Scene 1: The curtain rises on a wide ocean. Jonah is swimming in ocean blue. Lightning and thunder flash and roar. Rain makes ocean swell.

Jonah: (Reaching out to catch his breath) This is the biggest creek I was ever in. (Whale appears).

Jonah (seeing whale): Gosh, I'd better hide. Here comes a submarine.

Whale (rolling his eyes over Jonah): Jonah, you're my meat. (Ocean roars mockingly).

Jonah: Swallow me, whale, and I'll cut your heart-strings.

Whale (blowing bubbles): I'm hungry

Jonah (pleadingly): Remember my wife and children, my poor old

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mother. (Whale weeps salty tears.) Whale (opening mouth): But I must have food. (Swallows Jonah.) (Jonah reaches in his pocket and gets a match. He sets whale oil on fire. Whale explodes, throwing Jonah far out across the water.) (Fish sigh.)

Jonah (reaching for a stick of gum): Well, back to the old grind. (Ocean swells.) Curtain.

## WINTER QUARTER HONOR ROLL

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Bourland, Ethel  
Blythe, Dee  
Bryan, Eugene  
Collins, Ethel Ruth  
Cabe, Ernest  
Clark, Ira G.  
Cooper, Hazel  
Cox, T. J.  
Cox, Helen  
Cox, Madeline  
Cronin, Kathleen  
Cleveland, Sam M.  
Cliff, Carl  
Dawes, William R.  
Day, Jean  
Devin, Thomas L.  
Dellis, Ruth  
Ferguson, Charles  
Gillham, John  
Griffith, Leona  
Grisson, Addie Mae Carmack  
Hunt, Malcolm  
Haley, D. H.  
Hazelwood, J. D.  
Horton, Mrs. Armine Park  
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Heard, George  
Harrison, Jake  
Hargrove, Robert  
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King, Virginia  
Lowrey, Mrs. Dee  
Laycock, Scott  
Laycock, Annie Alice  
Matthews, Clarice  
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McCuan, Marvin  
McMinn, Thelma  
Murray, Mrs. C. A.  
O'Keefe, C. Wallace  
Pearson, Mrs. B. F.  
Paltenghe, Bertha  
Padgett, Velma  
Pyeatt, Clara  
Plaster, Johnny  
Roark, Elsie Fae  
Rowan, Bob  
Rusk, Dorothy Fay  
Sears, Farris  
Smith, Mildred  
Sparkman, Willo  
Slack, Ila  
Stewart, Esther  
Sternberg, Mary Lockwood  
Tucker, Claude  
Walker, Myrtle  
Weaver, Lonie Beth  
Weigman, Grace  
Wrenn, Neville  
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Wilder, Athalie  
Williams, Bennie Mae  
Watson, Ruth  
Wilson, Pauline.

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## Los Tejanitos

The Spanish Club met Saturday in room 304, and elected the following new officers for this quarter. Maurine Wilder, president; Hilda Miller, vice president; Mildred Cook, secretary; Leona Myer, treasurer, and Ruth Palmer, Tumbleweed reporter.

## Seniors to Banquet at Tarry Tavern

Arrangements are being made to have the annual Senior class banquet at the Tarry Tavern Tea Room, in Amarillo. The banquet will take place about the middle of May.

## Osgood Addresses Students

Saturday at assembly, Prof. L. A. Osgood continued his series of talks on his experiences in England last summer, in a very interesting manner. He told some of the favorite ghost stories and fairy legends centered around the places he visited, verifying two of the stories by his own experiences. The remainder of the discussion was devoted to a description of a few of the customs which are peculiar to the English people.

## Swimming Party

The members of the Girls' Athletic Association were guests at a swimming party given by the W. A. A. in the college swimming pool Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock.

## AN APRIL FOOL

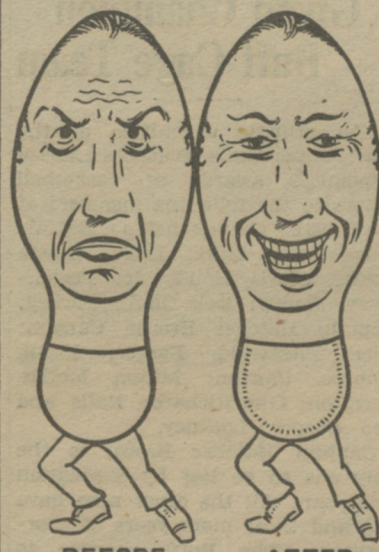
I would be an April fool  
In this madcap weather,  
I would seek out other fools,  
We would run together.

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Whether feet be wet or dry,  
Hair be wild or frowsy,  
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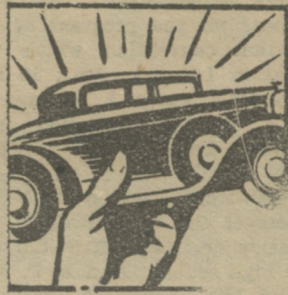
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## Society and Clubs

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### THELMA SMITH BECOMES BRIDE OF ANTOINE YARROW

Of interest to many Canyon people was the marriage March 28, of Miss Thelma Smith and Antoine Yarrow of Coronado, Calif. Rev. R. C. Snodgrass, pastor of the First Christian church of Amarillo performed the ceremony. The couple was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith of Vernon, parents of the bride, and Miss Arsula Angell.

Mrs. Yarrow is a teacher of English in Amarillo Junior College, and taught English in W. T. High School during the summer of 1929. Mr. and Mrs. Yarrow are at home at the Herring Hotel, Amarillo.

### MISS FRANCES USERY HONORED WITH DINNER

Honoring Miss Frances Usery on her birthday anniversary, Miss Jessie Louder entertained with a lovely dinner bridge at her home last Friday evening.

A large birthday cake formed an attractive centerpiece for the beautifully appointed table at the dinner hour. The honoree was the recipient of a number of lovely gifts. Bridge was enjoyed during the remainder of the evening.

Those present included: Miss Usery, guest of honor; Miss Lucy Jo Louder, Joe Hill, Jr., Winston Savage, Ernest Cabe and the hostess.

### MARY LOUISE ANDERSON IS EASTER BRIDGE HOSTESS

Miss Mary Louise Anderson was a charming hostess at an Easter bridge party given at her home at 1317 Third avenue, Monday evening, April 6.

Refreshments of apple cider and pudding were served to Misses Alice Dawes, Dalma Fry, Beth Pitts, Margaret Justice, Hazel Allen, Josephine Duflot, Laura Christopher, and the hostess.

### D. A. R.'s TO CONDUCT PROGRAM IN AMARILLO

The Canyon members of the Daughters of the American Revolution will have charge of the program at the meeting of that organization in the Federated club rooms in Amarillo Monday, April 13th. Mrs. John S. Humphreys is chairman of the entertainment and refreshment committee and Miss Florence McMurtry of the program committee.

An interesting program of talks and music is being planned, and tea will be served later in the afternoon.

Canyon members of the D. A. R. are Mrs. Humphreys, Mrs. Clyde W. Warwick, Mrs. Tom Knighton, Mrs. O. M. Shore and Miss Florence McMurtry.

Margaret Camp was one of the ex-students visiting on the campus last week-end.

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### DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR GIVEN AT HILL HOME

With Joe Hill, Jr., and Frank Monroe as hosts, one of the most delightful affairs of the past week was the 7 o'clock dinner given at the home of President Hill Saturday night, April 4.

The Easter motif was effectively used in the table decorations and courses.

Those seated for the occasion were Miss Frances Usery, Miss Jessie Louder, Miss Kathleen Cronin, Miss Lucy Jo Louder, Miss Martha Nell Lang, Ernest Cabe, Winston Savage, Lekis Shirley, Frank Monroe, and Joe Hill, Jr.

### CONTRIBUTIONS PROVE INTERESTING AT WRITERS

Writers Club held an interesting meeting at the home of Dr. Grant McColley Wednesday evening, April 1.

Contributions of a miscellaneous nature from Gene Elo, Alvord Swafford, Velma Padgett and Sally Mary Campbell were read and criticized.

Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served by Mrs. McColley.

### MRS. YARROW COMPLIMENTED BY DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Mrs. Antoine Yarrow, who before her recent marriage was Miss Thelma Smith, was complimented by a lovely affair Friday evening in Amarillo when members of the Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority entertained with a miscellaneous shower at the Patricia Tea Rooms.

Those attending from Canyon were Miss Hattie M. Anderson, Miss Anna I. Hibbets, Miss Tennessee Malone, and Miss Edna Graham.

### KAPPA OMICRON PHI HOLDS PLEDGE SERVICE MARCH 29

Kappa Omicron Phi held a pledge service in the Home Economics dining room Sunday morning, March 29, at 8 o'clock.

Jean Day, Ruby Thomas, and Dena Fay Jameson were the girls pledged to the honorary sorority.

A delicious breakfast was served in the kitchen after the service. None of the out-of-town members were able to be there because of the weather.

### ON OBSERVING A SPIDER'S WEB

It is early June. I stand by the open window. I hear the hum of a mowing machine as it is driven forward and back across the deep lawn, and the slow occasional footsteps of a gardener, followed by the metallic clip, clip of his shears as he trims a hedge. Birds chatter in the trees that line the driveway, and the sweet note of a blackbird flitting high above the twittering chorus pierces the clear stillness of the morning. Two pink buds have opened on the rose bush that grows by my window. Tiny drops of dew like jewels sparkle on the torn fragments of a spider's web, that in spite of its misfortune is still clinging faithfully to the bush.

My life is a web and I am the spider. Strengthened with hope and ambition, I begin to weave my web into an intricate pattern of lovelessness that clings to its surroundings, becoming a part of them. The drabness of the endless weaving is lost in the mysteries of dreams and the silver elusiveness of an air castle in the clouds. The mass of airy threads take form; a few more turns and another twist and the web is completed. But the careless shears of Fate clip my web and I am left to struggle, entangled in the shorn threads of my own life. My web sags with the weight of the dew of disappointment. The gardener, Death, catches me, the spider, and nothing shows of the endless toil of years but the torn fragments of a frail web, that clings still to a thorn and two fresh roses.

Yes, my life is a web, and I am the spider. Yet, I am in but the early June of my weaving. When my torn empty web is left as the only reminder of the spinner, will the sparkle of the dew on my web touch that cord of beauty in the soul of another as the dew on the spider's web has touched me? I wonder.

Laura Christopher spent the week-end in Miami.

## Ex-Student Notes

BY L. N. GEORGE

Mrs. M. I. Reeves, a W. T. ex-student, teaching in the Woodrow Wilson school at Pampa, has organized a "My Weekly Reader" Club. She has 36 members, and they are supplied with reading literature. The club is correlated with geography, nature study and health. The literature comes weekly, and contains individual work for the students. It also has self directing seat material work in reading, arithmetic and language. This club encourages the students to read. The issues of the paper contain news of foreign countries, the people, their lives and habits.

Students in Pampa public schools are to be taught thrift and the advantages of saving money if plans of the Western Building and Loan Association are successful.

This association is installing a savings system in local schools which every student may take advantage of and thereby lay aside money for future use. The system is installed in the Woodrow Wilson and Sam Houston schools. The plan will be worked out in other schools of this city.

The plan carries the sanction of the school board, the superintendent of schools and the Parent-Teacher Associations.

School savings banking is now a national movement and a definite part of the educational program in more than 15,000 schools in the United States. According to the tenth annual report on school savings published by the American Bankers Association, there are 4,222,935 children now saving through the schools. These children have a bank balance today of more than \$50,000,000, drawing interest.

### The Swisher County W. T. Ex-Students Banquet

Friday, April 3rd, at the Presbyterian church, Tulla, Texas, was held the annual W. T. Ex-Students banquet. The decorations were in maroon and white. The table was arranged in the form of a "U." Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hill, C. E. Strain, Miss Martha Strain, Charles Strain, Winston Savage, Meredith Ashby, Ormand Joiner, and L. N. George made up the Canyon group that attended.

There were many jokes, and quite a large amount of wit displayed by the various ones present. The orchestra played before and during the program. Everyone was introduced, and most of the program rendered during the banquet. Mr. Hill called attention to many interesting details of the college from the president's viewpoint. Mrs. Hill called attention to some of the outstanding accomplishments of the college.

After the regular program, the officers for next year were elected. Mr. J. G. Jones, Happy, was elected president; Mrs. E. K. Hulsey, Tulla, vice president; Skeet Miles, Tulla, treasurer; Miss Alta Mae Serton, reporter, and Miss Effie Mae Sorenson, secretary.

Swisher county is beginning to play now to have a large turnout to the State Teachers Association to be held at Amarillo next Thanksgiving. Abernathy is in the southern part of Hale county on the Santa Fe railroad and Highway 66. There are fifteen teachers, with twenty-five seniors in the high school, and three hundred ninety-five pupils in the school system. The school plant cost \$85,000. Miss Inez Murphree, Mrs. Ruth Forbes Cook, and Mr. L. P. Shaw are W. T. ex-students teaching there.

Petersburg is east of Highway 66 between Hale Center and Abernathy. It has ten teachers, seventeen seniors in the high school and two hundred seventy-five pupils in the school system. The plant cost \$58,000. Mr. Jack Webster and Miss Mary Kent are the W. T. ex-students teaching there.

The following are W. T. ex-students teaching in Hale county: E. M. Adams, Hale Center. Mrs. Grace Wood, Runningwater. Gladys Daniels, Plainview. Mamie Daniels, Plainview. Carra Hacker, Runningwater. Leona Hacker, Runningwater. Florine Formby, Runningwater. Mrs. Paul Wendwehen, Hale Center.

W. S. Graham, Plainview. Murice Williams, Plainview. Amelia Wendwehen, Plainview. Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Abernathy. Mazel Crouch, Abernathy. Iola Crouch, Abernathy. Evelyn Shanklin, Plainview. L. W. Sloneker, Hale Center.

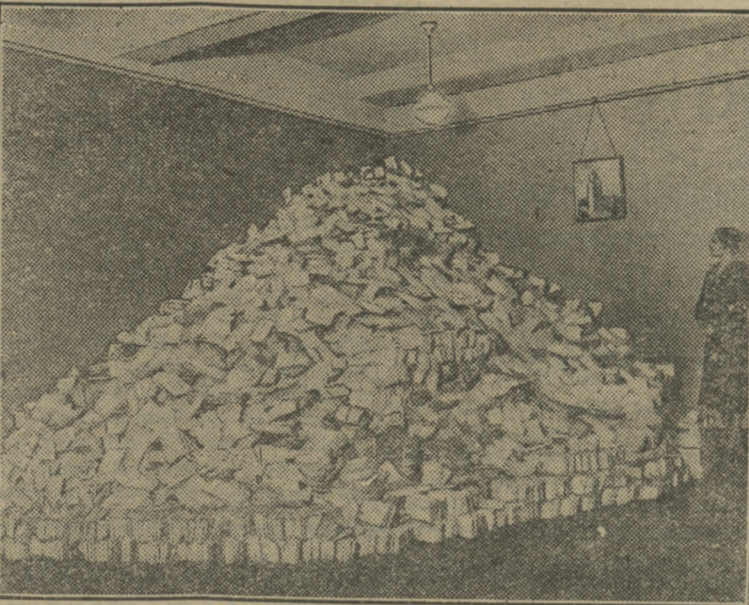
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Adelaide Slaton, Plainview.

L. A. Cooper, Plainview.

Dorothy Hicks, Plainview.

Augusta Uhl, Plainview.

Faye Perkins, Hale Center.

Mrs. Julia Kelley, home demonstration agent for Hale county, is a W. T. ex-student. Frank R. Davis, who is a leading attorney in Plainview is also a W. T. product.

Mrs. H. S. Hilburn, wife of a Plainview editor, is a W. T. ex-student. There are several other W. T. exes in Hale county whose names we do not have.

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I'm strong for you, kid.—Samson.

You can't keep a good man down.—Jonah.

The bigger they are the harder they fall.—David.

So this is Paris.—Helen of Troy.

I don't know where I'm going, but I'm on my way.—Columbus.

Keep the home fires burning.—Nero.

It floats.—Noah.

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Gertrude C.: "So you went out to dinner with him again? What did you have?"

Lois: "The same old things—bologna, applesauce, and razzberries."—Tech Talk Bi-Weekly.

Milton Sanders spent the week-end in Canyon visiting friends and acquaintances on the campus and in town.

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#### Book Selection

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4. Ferris, Helen Joseph, and Moore, Virginia. "Girls Who Did"; stories of real girls and their careers; 1927; Dutton, \$2.50.

"Contains nineteen sketches based on interviews with contemporary American women, representing different professions and vocations, written in readable style."

5. Harris, Franklin S. "Young Man and His Vocation," 1916; Badger Co. Suggestive and inspirational rather than informing. Gives brief treatment of opportunities in the leading occupations and the personal requirements and training desirable for those entering each.

6. Barnard, James Lynn. "Getting a Living," (a vocational civics reader), 1921; Franklin Publishing and Supply Co., \$1.

Edited by the director of social studies, department of public instruction from a series of write-ups of various available occupations by busy people who have stopped to write about their own work.

7. Davis, Jesse Buttrick. "Vocational and Moral Guidance," 1914. Ginn and Co., \$1.56.

An excellent book for the teacher, giving details on organizing vocational guidance in the high school, illustrated by forms used in Grand Rapids, Mich. Has a chapter on the use of the library

in connection with vocations, and a bibliography. The second part has ten contributions by other practical workers. Gives suggestions on combining study of ethics with vocational instruction, correlating these with the work in English composition.

#### Interest Held In Museum Revealed In Visitor's Book

During the past year a visitor's book has been kept in the rooms which are being temporarily used by the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society here, to learn who are the people who visit museums, and whether a real museum building would contribute to the pleasure and culture of the great North Texas region.

The register is itself enough to convince the most doubtful that the people are interested in the records of the region's past, in the photographs of its citizens and scenes, in the records of their achievements.

Two thousand seven hundred eighty-four have visited the rooms in which the property of the Historical Society is shown. But these visitors did not all live in the Panhandle. Many of them were passing through or visiting relatives in Northwest Texas and included the displays in their planned trips. They came from Oklahoma, New Mexico, California, Kansas, Illinois, Washington, D. C., Colorado, North Carolina, Arkansas, Tennessee, Arizona, Mississippi, Missouri, Indiana, Nebraska, Iowa, Louisiana and Georgia.

Many distinguished men and women have stopped here for a time. Pat M. Neff, former governor of Texas, inspected the exhibits and commented with great interest upon them when he was in Canyon last Saturday. Marion Talley stopped off in Canyon to see the relics and to learn something of the songs and ballads of the range region.

A large number of teachers have brought their history classes to see the museum and so add to the materials for the class discussions. Boys especially, are always interested in the miniature chuck wagon which was made at the J A ranch. They visualize buffalo hunts on the western plains by seeing the mounted buffalo heads and stroking the buffalo hides which are on display. Indian fights become real to them, and Indian homelife takes on meaning by the sight of arrows, tomahawks, metates, cradles and pottery.

Older people renew the days of their youth on the frontier by seeing again the objects which were household equipment in other days. Many festive occasions have been recalled by the sight of the dining table which graced the Goodnight home for many years. Branding irons suggest ranches that have ceased to exist. Mounted animals such as the great lobo wolf are reminders of hunts that can never be repeated.

The register might almost be used for learning the names of the towns in Texas. Houston and Hedley, Hereford and Dallas, San Antonio and El Paso, Sweetwater and Perryton, Waco and Borger, Sunset and Dawn, Amarillo and Corpus Christi, Fort Worth and Dalhart—towns in every section of Texas have sent visitors, curious or interested. Many have written back to tell of their enjoyment and appreciation of the things seen.

The two thousand seven hundred and eighty-four names that appear in the book are so many separate reasons why President T. D. Hobart, Field Secretary L. F. Sheffy and several hundred members of the Historical Society are making every possible effort to bring to early fruition the building project. The Panhandle of Texas should have one of the richest museums in the nation and it can have if a fireproof building of ample size is erected before the invaluable materials of the region are secured by enterprising museums of the East.

The coming meeting of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society on April 11 will be largely devoted to the interests of the museum.

Question: Would you please tell me where elephants are usually found?

Answer: So far as I know elephants aren't usually lost.—Tech Talk Bi-Weekly.

Red Keith, '30, now teaching in New Mexico, was in Canyon, Saturday.

Leola Hayes spent the week-end in Portales with her family.

Emma Lou McKinney was here over the week-end.

#### Gum - Chewing and Chewing Gum, by a Gum-Chewer

Go to the cow, thou gum-chewer; consider her ways, try to improve on them." With these words Miss Richardson led the crusade against the army of gum-chewers

that have invaded our fair land.

By far, the majority of the faculty enlisted in Miss Richardson's army. Mr. Murray believed that gum and calculus won't mix, and hinted that a word to the wise is sufficient. One of the pet arguments is that chewing gum aids digestion. Dr. Pierle, however, dispelled that illusion by promulgating a new law to the effect that, "It is not an aid to the digestion of the user, but it does aid the indigestion of the observer."

Dean Cook led minority by declaring truculently that, "I presume it's all right for a fellow to chew gum if he chews his own." Such a lucid observation, stated after only a few moments' deliberation, is truly remarkable. Mrs. Shaw presented another argument in favor of the gum-grinders. "I think," she said, "it does very well at basketball games; it keeps one from pounding the person in front

on the head."

Mr. White went on record as believing that gum-chewing counteracts halitosis; but Professor Allen, while admitting that he indulged occasionally, opined that "Chewing gum to prevent halitosis is like burning incense to dispell tobacco odors; I'd just as soon smell one as the other." These two worthies were about to come to blows when President Hill intervened with words of moderation befitting his position. He declared that, "Gum-chewing is a private enterprise and should be indulged in only as such." He admitted, however, that it is helpful in cases of high nervous tension. Perhaps this is why he chews so industriously at ball games.

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