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Buchanan, Condrion, Back Win Positions

Tri Tau Plans MacArthur Day

Special Assembly Program and Dance To Be Event Features

Working with the Defense Sales Committee, Tri Tau fraternity will sponsor a GENERAL MACARTHUR DAY for defense stamp buying, Tuesday, April 28.

A plan which should add tremendous impetus to collegians' support of the National War Effort has been evolved by the Michigan College of Mining and Technology whereby colleges over the nation will sponsor a similar day.

Each college and university is to arrange its program as best fits its own needs, but the basic idea is that students and townspeople shall march en masse to their various U. S. Post Offices and defense stamp booths to purchase large quantities of stamps and bonds.

In the evening, dances are to be held on every campus sponsoring the plan. Admittance to the dance will consist of the showing of Defense Stamps bought that day. At Michigan Tech they are inviting U. S. Coast guardsmen gratis. Part of the afternoon is to be devoted to parades and victory rallies.

Here at West Texas State a special and interesting assembly program is being tentatively planned. Dr. Ima C. Barlow and the groups sponsoring the event have asked the speech department to present a portion of the program. Some sort of informal band music is also tentatively planned.

The dance Tuesday evening will be held in place of the weekly Student Senate dance. Admission will be the purchase of Defense Stamps at the door.

Faculty Urges Complete Unity

Resolutions Urge Congress To Remove Factors That Cause Available Delays

The faculty of West Texas State has approved resolutions which, after stressing the importance of high morale in the prosecution of the war, point out the existence of circulated reports "which lead our citizens to fear that our war effort is not progressing with all the speed and efficiency possible."

After declaring their desire to go on record as "sincerely declaring our devotion to our American way of life and our loyalty to our leaders, civil and military," the faculty declared:

"That we regard as reprehensible and unpatriotic any disposition of any individual or group to profit materially or politically from the conditions incident to the grave emergency created by the war, feeling that we would all make our supreme efforts for this cause in the same spirit of sacrifice and devotion to duty expected of the men in the fighting services; and

"That we express our confidence in the President and Congress to institute such measures and legislation as will remove avoidable delays in our war effort, and thereby allay the fears of our people and promote their unity."

The resolutions committee included Dr. S. H. Condrion, chairman, Prof. Herschel Coffee, and Prof. C. A. Murray.

Corp. Doyle Bunch Is Candidate for Officers School

Corporal Doyle Bunch, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Bunch of Vernon, was ordered to report to the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., on April 2, where he will enroll in an officer candidate course. Upon satisfactory completion of the three-month term he will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the infantry and assigned to active duty.

Corporal Bunch is a graduate of the Camp Wolters Non-commissioned Officers School. He entered the Army as a selectee last July 12 at Fort Bliss, Texas. On July 16 he was sent to Camp Wolters for basic training with Company B. When the 13-week cycle was completed on October 28, Bunch was made corporal.

Hud Prichard Selected As Prairie Editor by Senate; No Opponent

Recommendations for appointment of the paid publications executives of The Prairie and Le Mirage, college yearbook, were made by the Student Senate, after its meeting Thursday, to Dr. J. A. Hill.

The Senate recommended Hud Prichard as editor of The Prairie and Stuart Condrion as business manager. Charlotte Buchanan and Mabel Back were approved again as editor and business manager of Le Mirage.

Although all positions were contested except that of the Prairie editorship, each victorious candidate won by a large majority.

Both the editor and business manager of Le Mirage are juniors. They held the same position during the present year. Prichard was elected by the Senate and appointed by Dr. Hill early in the Spring semester to complete the unexpired term of Delbert McGuire.

Stuart Condrion is the only executive new to his position. Condrion is a freshman and is president of the Freshman Class.

All recommendations await the final approval of Dr. Hill.

Panhandle Scenes Contribute to Plains Exhibit

A very interesting exhibit is the display of photographic pictures in the Mary E. Hudspeith Room of the Panhandle-Plains Museum. The exhibit, the fourth annual Panhandle-Plains Salon of Photography, will be shown until April 15. Some beautiful and clever photographs are shown. Special merit mention will be given the best pictures.

Those pictures on display are: "Panhandle Gold," "Why Don't We Start, Mister?," "First Lady," "Breakfast at Dawn," by Olin E. Hinkle; "Facing the Future," Stuart Condrion; "The Blooming," "Nancy," Fred Hart; "Winter Sorrow," Hollyce Hinkle; "Morning Fog," Margaret Snook; "Wheat Harvest," "Fun in Winter," "Sled Ride," "Reflections," Maurine Bush; "Three's a Crowd," "Spring Thaw," Cy Clemmons; "Harriet Ann," Watchful Waiting; "At Last, The Letter from Pearl Harbor," "Vacation Time," W. J. Morris.

"Mountain Road," "Dethorned," "Gossamer Wings," "Wild Berries," Edwin Snook; "Evening," Margaret Snook; "Winter's Disguise," "Bayou," "Spices," P. R. Rose; "Wind Blown," "The Last Mile," Bill Jenkins; "Ocotillo," "Admiration," "For Our Arsenal of Defense," "The Night Male," O. Dale Smith; "Embryo and Maturity," "The Good Earth," "Stairs," "First Bloom," D. W. Godsed; "Mexican Pottery," "Chrysanthemums," "The Country Club," "Entrance," M. Edquist.

Requests for Band Directors Come To Placement Bureau

The teacher placement bureau is beginning to receive a large number of calls for teachers for the 1942-1943 school year. Superintendents and school boards are alarmed over the growing shortage of qualified teachers. Superintendents are urging young people who are close to their degrees to get into summer school and finish them.

While there is a general shortage of teachers, it is most acute in the fields of mathematics, science, physical education for men, industrial arts, and commerce. It is probably safe to say that West Texas State College could place a hundred qualified band leaders during the next six months if they were available. Public schools have always preferred men as band directors, but this year requests for teachers in connection with band positions, "either man or woman."

Rooms Wanted

Mrs. Geraldine Green, dean of women, requested yesterday that all townspeople and householders who had rooms which they would provide for girls attending the Older Girls' Conference should notify her.

From 175 to 200 girls are expected for the meeting and housing has been promised for only about 50 so far. Meals will be provided elsewhere, Mrs. Green said.

"Even if you know someone who is coming and plan to keep them, please notify me so the records can be kept in accordance," she requested.

Madrigal Club Sings Tonight

Both Old and Modern Part Songs Are Taken From Big Library

West Texas State's far-famed Madrigal Club will draw upon its large library in presenting its annual spring concert in the auditorium of the Education Building this evening.

The free concert will begin at 8:30 p. m.

Old madrigals will be sung in the first half of the program. After a short intermission, the club will sing a group of more modern part songs.

The complete program follows:

"O Vos Omnes," Motet (Morales), 16th century.

"Gloria Patri," (Palestrina), 16th century.

"Hard by a Fountain," (Waeltrant), 16th century.

"All Creatures Now are Merry," (Benet), 17th century.

"From Lyons as I Journeyed," old French.

"April Is in My Mistress' Face," (Morley), early 17th century.

"This Sweet and Merry Month of May," (Byrd), early 17th century.

"When Icicles Hang by the Wall," (Brooks).

"O Peaceful Night," (Edw. German).

"The Fairies," (Stanford).

"One Morn," (Corbin).

"Row, Gently Row," (Cowen).

"Merry Wind of the West," (Elgar).

"Let the Canakin Clink," (McEwen).

"Prayer for Peace," (Johnson).

Oil Magazines Are Given to Museum

Earl Van Dale of Amarillo has given the Panhandle-Plains Museum files of the Oil & Gas Journal, National Petroleum News, and the Oil Weekly—magazines which tell the story of the development of the Panhandle oil field.

The files begin with 1925 issues. The data will be supplemented by material to be given by Frank J. Storm and N. D. Bartlett. This will be valuable for both history and geology students.

Otis Tole, '37, who has been teaching for several years at Vernon, is now located at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.

Pan-American Fiesta With Brilliant Program and Dancing Is Announced

This community's first Pan-American fiesta will be offered on the evening of April 14 by Spanish clubs of W. T. It will be an observance of Pan-American Day and will begin at 8:30 p. m. in the Education Building.

Faculty members will assist students in the production. A varied program in the auditorium will open the festivities, featuring Latin American music, songs, and dances by well known Panhandle entertainers. Later oldtime dancing and Spanish dancing will be enjoyed in the gymnasium of the Education Building. The federal orchestra of Amarillo will play and dancing will be directed by Miss Dorothea Martin of Amarillo, assisted by the Canyon pioneer dance club.

Entertainers already engaged include Margaret Harris Heiny, pianist, of Amarillo, Senorita Linda Irizarri, dancer; Senor Fidel Reyes of Amarillo, baritone; Conchita Reyes of Amarillo, singer; Senores Jose and Ignacio Palacio of Amarillo, singers; the Buffalettes; a children's costumed chorus from the Mexican school of Amarillo, and Dixie Dice's Spanish dancers. Surprise numbers will be added.

Physical education majors will sell pies, coffee, candy, and cold drinks at tables on one side of the decorated gymnasium.

Sponsors of the fiesta are calling it a friendship party open to all persons in this territory. The Good Neighbor Policy will be furthered in spirit by the occasion. Those who wish may wear Spanish or oldtime garments. A prize will be given the wearer of the best gentlemen's costume and the best lady's costume.

Admission to the fiesta will be 25 cents. Tickets may be obtained from the Book Store, Bob's, Buffalo Drug, and student sellers.

County School Superintendent Marvin Sweatmon of Qanah was a campus visitor Thursday.

College Choir—One of Most Popular Singing Groups

Pictured here is the College Choir, new West Texas State musical organization directed by Prof. Houston Bright. It has more engagements than any other college organization excepting the Buffalo Band. Those in the picture: Front row—Beth McCaslin, Florence Clark, Nola Margaret Blue, Jackie Wofford, Eleanor Louder, Hallie Nell Sligar, Edwina Tooley, Louise Roach, Jeanne Lively, Hilda Hinds, Meribelle Hazard, Anabelle Lard. Back row—James Harmon, H. R. Fulton, Jack Nicholas, Jack Andrews, Weldon Bright, Steve Self, Julius Meeker, Lawrence Hohlaus, Olin Huff.

Marriage and Family Life Conference Is Under Way

Gus Miller Comes Home; "Delighted" Says New Coach

"Tickled to death," he said, Gus Miller arrived Saturday to take over his duties as assistant coach and instructor at West Texas State.

He gave up his position as coach and director of athletics at Texas Wesleyan College to return to his alma mater, Mrs. Miller and the two Miller children will come to Canyon about June 1. Billy, 12, and Marian, 9, are in school at Fort Worth.

"I regard West Texas State as one of the greatest colleges in the state, and the athletic setup here is one of the best in this region," Coach Miller told The Prairie. "I am delighted to have the opportunity of working with Al Baggett and Leslie Van Meter, who have done one of the finest jobs here I've ever seen."

Coach Miller is being welcomed by his former teachers, former classmates, friends, and others who know of his good record as an athlete here and his exceptional record at Texas Wesleyan. Both in football and in basketball, the Miller-coached teams were noted for their fight, finesse, and long strings of victories.

Nola Margaret Blue In Senior Recital On Thursday, April 9

Nola Margaret Blue, soprano from Hereford, will be presented in her senior recital Thursday, April 9, in the auditorium of the education building at 8:30 p. m. All students and friends are invited.

Superintendent C. H. Dillehay of Vernon was on the campus Friday seeking teachers for immediate employment.

Le Mirage Copy in Hands of Printer

All copy and engravings for the 1942 Le Mirage are in the hands of the printers.

This year's book follows a scrapbook theme, reprinting many clippings from The Prairie and other publications. There are some drawings and cartoons. Photographs of exceptional quality have been made of activities by Hud Prichard. Full color pages are by Olin E. Hinkle, director of journalism.

College beauties have been ranked by Jack Benny, radio and motion picture star.

The book will contain 232 pages, and probably will be the largest until after the war. It has been difficult to obtain materials for this yearbook. Delivery of Le Mirage will be made shortly after May 15.

Sam King, '37, who has been teaching mathematics at Vernon for the past two years, expects to go into the military service soon. He has been assistant football coach under Pat Gerald, '30. Recently he was presented a gift by the students who said, "We want to be sure to have the opportunity to give this to you. We were afraid you might be called so suddenly we couldn't do it when the time came; so we give it to you today."

New Voters Will Be Recognized at Program May 17

Sunday, May 17, has been declared by an act of Congress as Recognition Day for all new voters of the nation. Dr. S. H. Condrion will be chairman of the program for this county. He has held this position for the last two years.

A program will be held in the Administration Auditorium and an outstanding speaker will address the new voters. They will be presented with certificates to acknowledge their new position. There are expected to be 150 to 200 persons qualifying this year. All persons who become 21 during this year or since the last recognition day are eligible to receive the certificates. Also newly naturalized citizens are asked to participate.

A boy and girl who come within the age limit will appear on an assembly program soon and will speak to service clubs in town. More than ever it is necessary for young voters to participate in this phase of the government's organization, Dr. Condrion said.

Older Girls' Conference on Friday Brings 200 Delegates

Two Outstanding Speakers To Be Brought Through Hogg Foundation Office

West Texas will supply two of the main speakers through the Hogg Foundation for the Older Girls' conference to be here April 10, 11, and 12. Dr. Grace Sloan Overton will be on the campus during the week and Dr. Bernice M. Moore will speak to the group on Sunday. The theme is "Victorious Living."

Registration begins Friday afternoon in the Education Building where all of the meetings will take place. All meals will be served in the Home Economics dining room. Friday night's dinner will be served to the girls and Dr. Overton will speak on "Marriage Relations" immediately following.

On Saturday morning a breakfast will be given in the dining room. Hereford girls will have charge of the devotional and the rest of the morning will be taken up with forums directed by Harold Nichols, director of Amarillo.

The convention will recess for two hours for a sightseeing trip around the campus. Dr. A. M. Meyer will speak on the theme of the convention at the afternoon session. A banquet will be given at night with the Student Christian Association in charge. The college will have charge of the program. Among those to appear are Mildred McPherson and Jean Tarlton.

After the Sunday morning breakfast the devotional will be led by the Rev. Joe Finley, pastor of the First Christian Church. Dr. Moore will give the main address of the day. The convention will be adjourned at noon.

Girls will be housed in dormitories and homes.

Count De Prorok Will Tell of African War Scenes and History

Because of the timely interest in the African battle scenes, the lycum committee of West Texas State College will bring Count Byron de Prorok, famous explorer, to the campus for a lecture on April 22 and talks to smaller groups on the following day.

The count also will spend some time at the Panhandle-Plains museum and on field trips in this area. While here two years ago, he declared the local museum was remarkable in the completeness of many of its exhibits. He expressed a desire to study the archaeology and paleontology of this section more thoroughly.

The lecture will be illustrated with motion pictures, including exclusive scenes of the siege of Tobruk. These were obtained through a special concession of the British government. The talk will deal with the drama of Libya, the tank battles in the desert, lost cities, Haile Selassie and Ethiopia, the death of Balbo, Cleopatra's lost emerald mines, and the current military situation.

De Prorok is perhaps the youngest of the eminent explorers and archaeologists.

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All club pages must be paid for by May 10.

Type High will meet Wednesday April 15 at 8 p. m. in the home of Fred Hart. Officers for the next regular session will be elected.

Dr. Overton in Busy Schedule

Comes to One of Biggest Matrimonial Agencies On Panhandle-Plains

Spring is the traditional mating season, and with timely forethought West Texas State has brought to the campus Dr. Grace Sloan Overton, outstanding authority on marriage and family relations.

Dr. Overton arrived last night and thirty minutes later was addressing the Student Christian Association on "Are You a Good Human Being?"

She will remain the rest of this week to fill a busy schedule of assembly talks, group conferences, vespers, and personal conferences.

This third annual Marriage and Family Life Conference will be directed by a committee headed by Mrs. T. V. Reeves. Other members are Prof. J. L. Dufloot and Dr. A. Kirk Knott.

The complete program follows:

April 6
7 p. m.—Room 101. Student Christian Association and guests. "Are You a Good Human Being?"

April 7
11 a. m.—College Auditorium. "Why Physical Integrity?"
2:30 p. m.—Room 118. Discussion Groups: "Pre-marital Experiences and Happy Marriages." Also 3:30 p. m.

*7 p. m.—Dinner, Phebe K. Warner Home Management Cottage.

*10 p. m.—Cousins Hall Vesper Service, Agnes Horning, house president, presiding.

April 8
9:30-10:30 a. m.—Room 109a. Personal Conferences.
11 a. m.—Home Economics dining room, Merle Myers, president Kappa Omicron Phi, presiding.
2:30 p. m.—Room 116. Discussion Groups: "Personality Integrity in Choice of Mate." Also 3:30 p. m.
*6 p. m.—Randall Hall, Jerri Dromgoole, House President, presiding.

April 9
9:45-10:45—Personal Conferences. Room 109a.

11 a. m.—College Auditorium. "Making Romantic Marriage Socially Sound."
2:30 p. m.—Room 118. Discussion Groups: "Why Engagement?"
*7 p. m.—Home Economics dining room before A. A. U. W. "The University Woman and Peace."

April 10
10:30-11:30—Personal Conferences.
1:30 p. m.—Amarillo Senior High School.

3:30 p. m.—Christian Church before Youth Council and guests.

8 p. m.—Education Auditorium before Tri-Y, Older Girls' Conference and guests. "Civilian Girls and Soldier Boys."

April 11
9-10:30 a. m.—Room 109a. Personal Conferences.

11 a. m.—College Auditorium. "Marriage and the Family after the Duration."
2:30 p. m.—Christian Church, before Randall County Co-ordinating Council, Home Demonstration Clubs and guests.

*These occasions are not open to the general public; all other meetings are open to any interested persons.

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Selection of Students Is Needed

Some students look forward to college with the purpose of having a good time. It seems that most high school graduates have the wrong conception of college life. They seldom stop to think what problems others confront as a result of their careless actions. The fact that they are spending the money of the State which was collected from their parents and friends never enters their thoughts. However, after the first week at college, higher ranking students decide there is more to college than just a good time. As a result, they settle down to work and derive some benefit from the money that the State is spending to support the institution.

We find others who do not have the mental ability to do college work. There is nothing for them to do but waste their time in jovial living. It is unfair for the State to share the expenses of such students, because they will contribute nothing to its welfare in the future. If they desire to attend college for this purpose, their parents should pay all of their expenses. They are probably keeping others away who really deserve an education. Parents are usually responsible for students wasting valuable time. When encouraged, this waste of time develops into a bad habit with young people.

There are many reasons why persons with mentality below the average should not be admitted to the college and universities. Schooling will not help them. In fact, it will probably discourage them because they can not attain the same level of advancement as those with whom they are forced to compete. There are other types of work that they can go into which requires motor skills instead of mental skills.

One slow student in a class can disrupt the entire group because the class tempo must be slowed in order that this student may continue with the group. As a result, the other members of the class lose interest, because the teacher is required to spend too much time on each unit.

At the present time we are striving to keep our standards of our higher educational institutions as high as possible. If we permit our standards to be lowered by people with below average mentality, our work will not be recognized by universities of foreign countries. This would be a terrific blow to the educational system of the United States, since the nation rates first in many other fields.

College students will no longer be given special consideration because colleges are taking the attitude that they should fit students for real life instead of a supposed ideal life. An unsuccessful student reflects on the school, while a successful student boosts the school. In the event that an employer finds several employees from the same institution unsatisfactory, he goes to another school to pick his next employee. For this reason, colleges must strive to train and graduate competent people. The graduate level should be placed on such a high standard that only a limited number can attain it. In this way the college graduate field will not be overflowing in the future.

Therefore, to save money, to prevent useless effort, and to keep up our higher educational standards, we should carefully select students for State supported colleges and universities.—J. K. M.

Campus Speed Limit Needed

Fast-moving cars are becoming less frequent since the tire shortage began but nevertheless, there are still places where city speed limits are dangerous. One of those places on this campus is the drive which runs just outside of the west entrance of the Administration Building.

Not long ago a student was knocked down by a car, while crossing that street. Placing of the fault is not important. Time and again near accidents have been avoided in a split second. Sometime that life-saving second may not be there. Drivers who use this street should be especially careful in watching for pedestrians who are continually entering and leaving the building. On the other hand, students should watch more closely for approaching automobiles.

A lower speed limit law for campus drives, if it could be enforced, might help the situation. But, at any rate, let's all dust off our safety first and put it to use. Exercise a little caution now before a serious accident makes us aware of the situation.

High School Students Cooperative

While the summer vacation is a celebrated American school tradition, surveys indicate that high school students are enthusiastic about the federally sponsored "speed up" program. The idea of finishing a college course in less than the traditional four years is gaining wide acceptance.

Northwestern University found that nearly half of the nation's spring graduates of the high schools are willing to forego their summer vacations in order to cooperate in the war effort. Others, mainly boys, were in favor of the plan but felt they had to work to help support their families or to start a college fund for themselves.

The accelerated college program is particularly adapted to the Navy's officer training plan. College men, including freshmen who enroll at colleges in May or June, can enlist in the Navy at once and remain in college to take courses the service requires. The average high school boy, moreover, can finish work for his A. B. degree before reaching induction age if he goes to college next summer and during each successive term.

West Texas State has geared her program to this national need. The summer session will last fifteen weeks, beginning May 27 and closing September 5. Many courses for freshmen will be available. No Panhandle spring high school graduate need go farther than Canyon to obtain the "speed up" program which has been worked out on a national scale.

Are College Degrees 'Watered Stock'

While the English Department quite wisely requires passage of an examination for all students who are recommended for positions as teachers of English, this requirement is only a part of a program which, it appears to The Prairie, should be adopted here. It does not go far enough.

The free and easy granting of college degrees, based upon the book-keeping of the clerks in the office of the Registrar, has the effect of reducing the value of graduation. This situation is found in most senior colleges of this region. The absence of standard, basic attainments is a serious one.

A certain competency in use of the mother tongue should be required of every person receiving a college degree. Persons who lack this attainment, but have other skills, should not be given degrees, but instead should leave with some kind of certificate or diploma. Every degree

Yesterday's . . .
OVERTONES
. . . Today

By Joe Crisler
"Words are things . . ."—Byron.

"Love and luck are birds That soar from sight; Arrows are in vain To stop their flight."

—Carlos Rubio.
("Love has a tide! said Helen Jackson. Luck also has a tide as all of us have noted. To prepare for the low tide of luck, you can save money when the going is good. To prepare for the low tide of love presents a difficult problem. It is probably a radical suggestion to advise those in love to have a prospect or two in case he loses his present heart-beat.)

In spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts that the women have been thinking of all year.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Bob Nardelli, author of "Noodles by Nard" column appearing in the "State Press," Arizona State, at Tempe, says "too many people are influenced by the adominably irrational statements of Walter Winchell" . . . We surely would like to be the nation's No. 1 newsboy on Mr. Winchell's salary. . . . To us, W. W. is one of the most patriotic Americans.

ASIDES

Discussion arises in the Senior class that for the seniors to make their annual trip would be unpatriotic. It seems to be a matter of transportation. But it's like a professor said, many of the seniors are leaving for the Army and that they should have something enjoyable to look back upon.

PASSING BY

Prof. and Mrs. D. T. Swineford, Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Caballero . . . chatting and sipping coffee after the Tau presentation. . . . Hud Prichard and Dorothea Harter with cokes at another booth. . . . Betty Clark cheerfully massaging the cash register. . . . Eugene Melcarek radicalizing in assembly. . . . Jack Jouette, sunning at the tennis courts before the matches began. . . . Roy Cheatham, teaching government or economics, it doesn't make any difference, it comes out the same. . . . Profs. Baker and Alexander, watching water mains being cleaned. . . . Dr. Pierle, jovially kidding the freshmen. . . . Mary Kay Bird, "How do you spell realized?"

MY GAL SAL SAYS

Ex-student, Leta McDougal, is wearing one of those stones on the left hand. . . . A cheerful place to loaf, the suite of offices of the Speech department. . . . Good-looking babe: Bettye Perryman. . . . Fred Hart and Bob Patterson coffeeing. . . .

THE DAY WILL COME!

Hanussen, the Nazi's own sooth-sayer, says Hitler will fall May 23, 1942. He will be betrayed by his closest colleagues.

The Hanussen prophecies were made at a time when even Europe's most astute statesmen visualized nothing of the world today.

Ten years ago, this vaudeville comedian, predicted the Reichstag fire, the blood purge of 1934, the rape of Austria, the Nazi-Soviet pact of 1939, and the fate of Poland.

Hanussen also predicted: Dr. Paul Goebbels will die in 1943 by hanging from a lamp-post! . . . On July 7, 1942 will occur "the triumphal entry of the victors." . . . July 1942, a powerful leader of the Yellow Race will fall victim of an attempt on his life."

(What above is actually worth, only time will tell. . . . But you can see how accurate Hanussen's other predictions were.)

Resurfacing of Highway to Park

Highway 217 between Canyon and the Palo Duro Park will be resurfaced as a result of a contract let in Austin last week.

It has been four years since this highway was resurfaced. The State Highway Commission does this kind of work at regular intervals in order that the foundations do not deteriorate.

Must Turn in Tubes In Order to Buy

You cannot buy tooth paste, shaving cream or other merchandise which comes in tubes unless you turn in your old tube.

The government issued this order last week, and all stores must collect an old tube before selling a new one.

graduate should have passed a standard English test given by the Department of English. This could be offered several times prior to the semester or graduation. It should be available to juniors and seniors. Failure in one test would indicate the need of serious study for the next. Such a plan is used in many universities.

Similarly, graduate students should reach certain attainments apart from credit hours and thesis. Written and spoken English, culture, and general ability of a Master of Arts degree recipient should be above reproach. In the absence of such attainments, some award other than a degree should be given. No more serious problem confronts Southwestern institutions at this time.

A BOOK REVIEW

Splendid Passages of "Cross Creek" Mark It as an Unforgettable Book

CROSS CREEK, by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings. New York: Scribners' 1942. \$2.50.

Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, the author of "Cross Creek," was until twelve years ago a Rochester, New York, newspaper woman. In discouragement she gave up all hope of making a name for herself as a writer, and bought an orange grove at Cross Creek in Florida. Here she has written: "South Moon Under; The Yearling," a juvenile classic; and, recently, "Cross Creek." This new book is now running serially in the "Atlantic Monthly," and is the April choice of the Book-of-the-Month Club.

Cross Creek "is a bend in a country road, by land and the flowing of Lochloosa Lake into Orange Lake, by water." The inhabitants include five white families: 'Old Boss Brice,' the Glissons, the Mackays, and the Bernie Bases; and two colored families, Henry Woodward and the Mickenses. These people are the characters used in "Cross Creek," in which Mrs. Rawlings writes of a little section of Florida, and a small group of relatively unimportant inhabitants. One may say that her success is attributable to the fact that she is writing of the life and people she knows, and that, like Jane Austen, her real is "a little bit of ivory" on which she works "with so fine a brush as produces little effect after much labor."

Passages in Cross Creek are reminiscent of splendid passages in great poetry. Her "to walk under the arched canopy of the jadelike leaves," brought Milton's "to arched walks of twilight groves" to mind; her love of solitary walks shows a kinship with Wordsworth and Cowper, despite the fact that there are snakes in the grass:

"I walk at sunset, east along the road. There are no houses in that direction, except the abandoned one where the wild plums grow, white with bloom in springtime. I usually walk halfway to the village and back again. No one goes, like myself, on foot, except Bernie Bass perhaps, striding firmly in rubber boots with his wet sack of fish over his shoulder. Sometimes black Henry passes with a mule and wagon, taking a load of lightwood home to Old Boss; sometimes a neighbor's car, or the wagon that turns off toward the turpentine woods to collect the resin, or the timber truck coming out from the pine woods. The white folks call 'Hey!' and children wave gustily and with pleasure. A stranger

driving by usually slows down and asks whether I want a lift. The Negroes touch a finger to their ragged caps or pretend courtously not to see me. Evening after evening I walk as far as the magnolia near Big Hammock, and home, and see no one.

Folks call the road lonely, because there is not human traffic and human stirring. Because I have walked it so many times and seen such a tumult of life there, it seems to me one of the most populous highways of my acquaintance. I have walked it in ecstasy, and in joy it is beloved. Every pine tree, every galberry bush, every passion vine, every Joeey rustling in the underbrush, is vibrant. I have walked it in trouble, and the wind in the trees beside me is easing. I have walked it in despair, and the red of the sunset in my own blood dissolving into the night's darkness. For all such things were on earth before us, and will survive after us, and it is given to us to join ourselves with them and to be comforted."

Descriptions of this kind are numerous, and the semi-jungle Florida landscape is shown in all its beauty, mystery, and difficulty. Mrs. Rawlings knows the snakes, "Toady-frogs, lizards, antses, and varmits" and makes many references to her efforts to overcome her fears and aversion to them.

She lives within "screaming distance" of two of her neighbors. She found this out on an insufferably hot day when after undergoing torment from poison ivy, a cow loose from pasture, sandburs, and puppies left alone in her home, she screamed. The scream satisfied her, but a little later two meh strolled cautiously up to her gate. Upon being asked if "everything was all right inasmuch as we thought we heard a call for help," Mrs. Rawlings dismissed the matter with the statement: "I was singing. Perhaps you heard me sing."

The characters are unforgettable. Tom Glisson, Martha Mickens, 'Geechee, Black Kate, or any of the others, could make the book worth reading. Their local pride, primitive economic system, and uncompromising sense of justice stand out in stark relief in a war torn world. With Chaucerian aloofness, accuracy, and humor, Mrs. Rawlings gives her readers a delightful picture of her neighbors, their homes, and her own philosophy of life. —G. G.

Mounting Teacher Shortage Studied By School Men; Solution Difficult

Warwick Tells of Labor Dispute

Editor Clyde W. Warwick of the Canyon News drew interested comment during and after his discussion Saturday in assembly on the conflicting problems presented by capital and labor difficulties and their connection with the speeded up era of national defense preparations.

Mr. Warwick, a former member of a typographical union, criticised severely the obstructions which are daily being placed in the way of progress by organized labor.

Labor organized because of necessity, Warwick said, but the common laborer is not the one who benefits from high wages on account of large fees charged by union leaders. Mr. Warwick heatedly defended the right of the people to write their governmental representatives showing their disapproval of labor-capital bottlenecks in defense industry. He cited that the President has never shown disapproval about the numerous letters which reach his office daily with suggestions for bettering the government. Labor leaders are crying "Sixth Columnists," he said, because of the letters and petitions.

Text of Mr. Warwick's speech illustrated how lopsided the salary scale was becoming because of organized labor's influences.

"When high school boys, without mechanical training and no college education draw more than college professors with 20 years of training, don't you think something is wrong? That's what is going on. At Muscle Shoals the common laborer receives from \$50 to \$75 and higher per week. If he earns that—fine—pay what every man is worth."

The speaker warned the people to keep in mind that they were "paying the bill" when large sums of union dues went to treasurers which had to make no statement as to how the money was spent.

President J. A. Hill has returned from a meeting of teacher training agency heads in Austin, called to consider the acute teacher shortage in this state.

A survey made by Charles Tenyson, public relations director of the Texas State Teachers Association, showed that the teacher loss this year has reached 15 per cent, and the prospect for a much greater loss was noted.

More attractive salaries in the Military services and industry, the selective service, and other related factors account for the loss. The greatest number of losses were in mathematics instruction, and these accounted for 60 per cent of the total. Physics and music instructors also are scarce. The movement of young people into war industries also is cutting off the teacher supply at the source.

There are 455 white teachers in Texas who draw less than \$600 a year; 2,336 who draw between \$600 and \$800; and 15,885 who draw between \$800 and \$1,000. The total number of white classroom teachers is 36,842. The average salary for the classroom teacher is \$1,177 a term. Administrators average \$2,202 a year.

Shrinking tax incomes of many common school districts make it difficult to maintain these salary schedules, whereas industry if offering more attractive positions. With the end of war, industrial payrolls will shrink and, it is feared, a teacher surplus will appear with suddenness.

No ready solution of the problem was suggested, Dr. Hill said. One possible source of teachers is the married group of former teachers. But these women will wish to teach in their home towns. Some women of incomplete college training could be certificated in a short time, and will be encouraged to go to college.

Additional surveys will be made and school superintendents will be encouraged to canvas their communities for prospective teachers. Longer summer terms in the teacher-training institutions will hasten the training of future teachers.

STORK SPECIAL

A daughter, Patricia Ruth, was born March 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shanklin of Portales, N. M. Mrs. Shanklin was formerly Ruth LaFon. Mr. Shanklin, a nephew of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Hill, is with the Soil Conservation Service.

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Frosh Reign Supreme For a Day---Only

"Every doggie has his day" and the freshmen did! Long suffered pains of a whole year were taken out on upperclassmen as "slimes" led them through their paces or took out their vengeance with the aid of a well-rounded paddle.

The Freshman flag waved from the flagpole during the morning and upperclassmen were required, individually or in groups, to salute it. Pigtails, excessive make-up, ridiculous dress, high heels with anklets, and aprons were worn by the older girls who were routed out of their beds at 6 a. m. by the freshmen of the dormitories. Victims were required to eat their meals with their knives, hop out of the dining room backwards on one foot, and provide a program at noon.

Cousins Hall girls were the recipients of stacked rooms. The horse play nearly ended in a riot as the end of freshman day drew to a close.

Buffalo Courts freshmen render-

ed their own brand of hazing to upperclassmen. A new version of "Deep in the Heart of Texas" was originated. Members of the "T" club were made to sing the song in front of the Buff with Buffalo frosh administering the clap-claps with paddles.

Some of the punishment was dealt half-heartedly as fish had visions of what might happen when their day was through.

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Bufs To Meet Tech, Simmons Tracksters in Tri-School Meet

Meet Saturday Will Be First for West Texas Team in More Than Ten Years

The first West Texas track team in over ten years will trade spike for spike with the Tech Red Raiders and Hardin-Simmons Cowboys Saturday, April 11 in a tri-school affair to be staged at Lubbock.

The mainstay of the Simmons crew will probably be W. T. Johnson, sophomore, who has placed high in several recent city college meets in Abilene. Johnson has been heaving the javelin near to 175 feet. His other victory was chalked up in the pole-vault at 10 feet 9 inches.

For West Texas, J. P. McMahan will carry the colors in the 100 yard dash. His top time for the century run has been 9.8 sec.

Beryl Clinton, two miler, has gotten his fastest time at 11 minutes 44 seconds, but track coach, Leslie Van Meter expects Clinton to get his time down to ten or eleven minutes before Border Conference competition.

Other West Texas entries and their time include Price Brookfield 440 yard dash (52 sec.), Leslie Curb 220 low hurdles (26 sec.), Olin Reed shot put (41 ft.), Frank Stockman high jump (6 ft.), Johnny Thomas 220 yard dash (23 sec.), Alva Thornburg broad jump (21 ft.), Weldon Dowlen 120 high hurdles (17.1 sec.).

Alphamae and Jean Shafer of Tulsa visited their sister, Frances, here last week. Jean is a 1941 graduate of W. T.

White Face Cattle Soon Will Return to T-Anchor Home

Hereford Breeders to Buy Registered Cows for Farm Feeding, Laboratory Work

Hereford cattle will soon return to their early T-Anchor ranch home under plans perfected by West Texas State and the Panhandle Hereford Breeders Association. The ranch headquarters is now the College Farm.

President J. A. Hill of West Texas State has given officers of the breeders' association a sum of money for the purchase of a number of bred registered Hereford cows of good type. This foundation stock will be used in experimental feeding as a commercial venture. Only stock of the highest quality will be used.

For several years only dairy stock has been used at the College Farm, where students of the Department of Agriculture have made a portion of their expenses. About thirty boys live at the farm. The new project will be in charge of Alex Gray of White Deer, who has shown cattle at several Amarillo Fat Stock Shows. Gray believes the Herefords, also, will make a contribution to the expenses of college men who care for them.

Prof. T. M. Moore, faculty farm manager, said "The Hereford breeders have agreed to act advisers in all purchases in order that the boys may have at all times a uniform type of animal for laboratory studies and the feeding project."

E. B. Meyer, W. M. Gouldy, W. E. Bennett, and Mason King of Ama-

Literary, Track, and High School Stars Coming Here Interscholastic League Meet

Field Events April 16, 17, 18

District events of the Interscholastic League will be held at West Texas State on April 17 and 18, although the one-act play contest has been moved up to April 16.

Most literary events will be conducted on Friday afternoon, April 17. Preliminaries in sports events will start at 10 a. m. on Saturday, April 18, and the finals will begin at 2 p. m.

Officers of the district meet include Prof. F. E. Savage, director-general; Coach Leslie Van Meter, director of athletics; Prof. James Butler, play director; R. B. Norman of Amarillo, director of debate; Supt. Blake Bolton of Dalhart, director of declamation; Supt. J. W. Reid of Dumas, director of extemporaneous speech; Supt. W. O. Cherry of Bovina, director of ready writers' contest; G. M. Hudson of Hereford, director of 3-R contest; Miss Maude Cuenod of West Texas State, director of typewriting and shorthand contests; Miss Ada V. Clark of West Texas State, director of music memory contest; Miss Mary E. Hudspeth of West Texas State, director of Spanish contest; Miss Hazel Evans of West Texas State, director of girls' tennis and volleyball; Coach Gus Miller of West Texas State, director of boys' tennis; Richard Kilgore, director of golf.

Naval Expansion Program To Get Junior Officers

In an effort to secure additional junior officers, the Navy last week expanded its program to make juniors and seniors of accredited non-technical colleges eligible for appointment as ensigns in the Naval Reserve. It was announced by Eighth Naval District Headquarters.

In the past, only students attending technical colleges were eligible for probationary commissions. Now, for example, seniors who are candidates for a degree in business administration or commerce will be recommended for appointment as ensigns. Qualified applicants will be commissioned immediately and not ordered to active duty until graduation.

The program applies specifically to the following:

1. For juniors and seniors majoring in aeronautics, geology, and electrical engineering specializing in high frequency radio electronics to be assigned to aviation duty.
 2. For majors in architecture to be assigned to civil engineering duties.
 3. For majors in electrical, mechanical, diesel, civil and chemical engineering, and physics and radio electronics, for assignment to the engineering corps.
 4. For majors in mechanical, electrical, chemical, industrial and radio engineering for assignment in the ordnance section. This class also includes majors in physics with a background of mathematics including differential equations.
 5. For majors in business administration or commerce for assignment as deck officers in specialist capacities.
- All applicants should communicate with the nearest Naval Recruiting Station.

Wartime Studies Are Continuing

Demand for Students of Business Department Is Exceeding the Supply

War service courses being offered this semester are progressing smoothly according to department heads and, in the case of the Business Department, there are more jobs being offered than there are students ready to accept them.

The business department is offering several courses in one semester that usually take two to complete. Beginning typing, bookkeeping, and shorthand classes are meeting every day to make up six semester hours this term. The advanced typing class is overloaded, as also are some of the other advanced classes. There are 487 students enrolled in the department.

This training will prepare future stenographers and secretaries for office work in defense factories and plants.

Welders In Demand

The Department of Industrial Arts has three war service courses. In the welding course there are three sections, two for college students and one for townspeople. There should be another class of out-of-school students if there were enough room, said Prof. John A. Gillis, head of the department. His assistants in this course are William Schmitz and J. T. Mitchell. There are fewer competent welders than in any other branch, so this course will lead to a big field in defense work and will give a preferential rating in army service.

The internal combustion engines course is taught by W. Holmes Smith to a class of twelve.

Since it takes "five men on the ground" to keep one plane in the air there is a great demand for good mechanics in all types of army transportation. Smith is also in charge of the blue print and map reading course. Many could not take it that wanted to because of class hour conflicts. Map reading will be used in all branches of service in scouting and planning initiative offenses. Factories and construction plants use blue prints for laying out work. Students who have had these courses will be able to obtain better paying jobs because of their primary training. These courses are probably the most practical ones being offered in the whole defense set-up. They will continue to be offered for the duration of the war.

Safety Course Is Completed

In the Physical Education department a course on traffic safety education has just been completed. Safety of pedestrians, automobiles,

TRAILIN' the Herd

By STUART CONDRON

TENNIS RACKET

Those of you who saw the tennis match with the School of Mines the other day, got a real exhibit of playing on both sides. If Skeen and Jones had been in their usual form, the story would probably have been different . . . but things like that happen in the best of families. Any way that it is taken the match was split three and three.

HOLD IT KIRK!

Coach Jack Jouette said that he was going to have to make Duncan Kirkpatrick quit hitting balls so hard . . . the reason he gave was that the government had stopped sales on them and by the time that Kirk had hit a ball two or three times, all the hide was gone off of it.

Manager Ralph Davis was out on the track field the other day taking some action pictures and was using his exposure meter to get the correct lighting. Some little kid who is always hanging around the field asked him what it was. He told him that it was an exposure meter. Another kid looked at the first one in disgust and said, "Why you sap-head, didn't you know what that was? Why anybody ought to know that. Any fool can see that is one of those things that you keep time to music with."

OFF TO LUBBOCK

When the West Texas track team go to their mark in Lubbock next Saturday, there is liable to be a sack full of points dumped into their lap. Mack Winters has been blasting away in the 220 in plenty good time. So far in the season he has been doing it in 23.1 seconds. That is just 2 of a second behind the time that took the Border Conference tournament last year.

A PHYSICAL IMPOSSIBILITY

Dean Jarrett has just released this one on himself. . . . He said that he was at one of the basketball games during the past season, the one with Texas Tech to be exact, when a very enthusiastic fan rushed up to him and said, "This game sure is a hair-raiser, don't you think." It might have been one for the fan, but things like that just don't happen to the Dean.

The full length picture of the Buff game with Creighton shown in Buffalo Courts last Thursday, brought back sad memories of the one point loss. It was in the last ten minutes of the last half that Creighton had a nervous breakdown. They started throwing the ball to every one but the right person. They threw it to the Buffs, they threw it to the referee and once when a Creighton fan yelled shoot, they threw it to him.

The way things look now, the Buffaloes are going to be back up there next year . . . and not to lose either!

and bicycles was considered. In a camping class, evacuation of school children is being taught, since so many of the children will be sent from schools to camps in case of air raids.

The most popular courses offered are in Red Cross work. There are three classes taught by the local doctors with a total enrollment of about 150 students and townspeople. These classes terminated last week. Another is being organized for men taught by Dr. R. A. Neblett. The course is especially for fire wardens, although several faculty and townsmen will take it.

The two home nursing courses are doing excellent work, according to Miss Helen Hickman, school nurse. The classes meet four hours a week and the one taught at Red Cross headquarters will be concluded this week. The college class will not finish until the semester ends.

The nursing course is of especial benefit since it prepares students for nursing when regular nurses are called into army and navy base hospitals. During war there is a great dearth of competent nurses and this course teaches persons how to take care of members of their own family in cases of illness. It is not, however, a course in nursing to prepare students for professional work.

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Tennis Matches Here Divided

Skeen and Jones Are Off Form but Matlock and Kirkpatrick Win

West Texas State's tennis team broke even in the first inter-school match of the spring season Thursday as it took three and dropped three matches to the racqueteers from Texas School of Mines.

Skeen and Jones of W. T., lost both of their single matches. Skeen went down to Shaffer 6-2, 6-4, 8-6, 9-7.

Duncan Kirkpatrick had a battle royal with Munoz and came through to win 6-2, 6-3, 7-5. In the other singles match, Matlock blasted Kluger 7-5, 9-7.

In the doubles division, "Kirk" and Matlock put on the heat to pull over Kluger and Rabell 9-7, 6-2. Skeen and Jones seemed to be off their usual form, as they bowed to a hard hitting couple, Shaffer and Munoz, 10-8, 6-3.

"Had the West Texas team had more experience, they would probably have done much better," said Coach Jouette. "The Texas Mines team had the advantage of two other matches, as they had clashed with Hardin-Simmons and Texas Tech prior to their trip here."

The W. T. team has another match tentatively set. Hardin-Simmons may come here on Friday, April 24.

Exploitation of Indians Told in Book by Debo

"The Indian is now on the road to disappearance. . . . We . . . are facing the evening of our existence and are nearly at the end of the trail. . . . In time, perhaps, our own language will not be used but that will be after our days," was said by Siah Hicks, and his words furnished the title for the third book by Angie Debo dealing with the Indians who no longer exist as tribes but who still furnish a part of the life stream of Oklahoma and much of the Southwest.

In 1934, her "Rise and Fall of the Choctaw Nation" was published, followed in 1934 by "And Still the Waters Run," and in December, 1941, by "The Road to Disappearance," which relates the history of the Creeks from their dim beginnings to the end of their tribal existence early in the twentieth century. Although historically accurate and carefully documented this is a dramatic and moving tale of the struggle of a minority group caught in the push and grab that was one feature of the westward movement in the United States.

The Creeks, so called by the English because of the many streams which watered their domains in Alabama and Georgia, were also known as Muskogees, since that group was the most powerful of their tribe or nation. They formed one of the Five Civilized Nations; they had a highly developed and very democratic government; their agricultural practices kept them well fed and prosperous; their religious and social customs kept them strong at home and usually at peace with their neighbors.

"The Road to Disappearance" is largely the story of a short century during which the Creeks were robbed, moved, and robbed again, and finally stripped of all the rights given them in a long series of treaties. It includes a little known chapter of the Civil War, the part played by the Indians who were among its tragic victims. It describes a simple people so tenacious that they rebuilt their prosperity in a new land far less friendly than the well-watered valleys and hills of the Oconee and Ocmulgee Rivers. It is a history of railroads, lumbering, and ranching as these penetrated the Indian lands and forced them to statehood as Oklahoma. It is the story of endless litigation with the white man's superior knowledge and experience pitted against the Indian's bewilderment and longing to keep that traditionally his.

Through the pages move men worth knowing—Hotulke Emarthla (Edward Bullet), Pleasant Porter, Samuel Cheeote, and many others.

This is a significant book for all who wish to understand the composition of Oklahoma and the Southwest, and it is thought provoking for any who view today's world scene of exploitation and destruction of minorities.

Dr. Angie Debo was formerly a member of the history department of West Texas State College and curator of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society Museum at Canyon. Her preparation to write books of history has included study in the University of Oklahoma and Chicago. Her Ph. D. having been conferred by the former. She is a native of Oklahoma and does much of her writing at Marshall.—THE ROAD TO DISAPPEARANCE, Angie Debo, University of Oklahoma Press, Norman.

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Arizona Prepares For Conference Track Meet

TUCSON, April 4.—Pointing into the stiffest competition since the Border conference was formed in 1931, the University of Arizona Wildcat track and field squad will open its twelfth consecutive championship year, on March 28, against the University of California at Los Angeles, in Los Angeles, in a non-conference dual meet.

Strength gathered last year by the Arizona State Teacher's college of Tempe, and possible strong competition this spring from new conference members, Texas Tech, Hardin-Simmons university, and West Texas State college, will be top threats in the title race this year for the Cats.

The Arizona squad will go into the annual conference meet, on May 2, at Tempe, with only four dual meets under their cleats. San Diego State college will be in Tucson on April 4; Tempe is to come to the Cats track on either April 11 or 18, date as yet undecided; and New Mexico university, conference opponent, will provide dual competition here on April 25.

The Arizona strong points already have asserted themselves to be the 100 and 200-yard dashes, the 880 and mile runs; and discus and high jumps in the field events. The Arizona pole vault should go 12 feet six inches, a leader among conference opponents only, however.

Strong track competition will develop in Jack Carter, El Segundo, Calif., sophomore, who broke and set three new intramural records here a short time ago, the 880, mile, and two-mile runs.

Jim Upchurch, Winslow, freshman in competition this spring under conference rules, already has broken the Arizona field record in the discus, a toss of 142 feet and 10 inches; better than the existing mark of 141 feet, nine and one-half inches. It also bests the Border conference record of 139 feet, five inches.

Six feet is a fairly easy leap for Tim Ballantyne, sophomore high jumper, who is expected to push the existing Arizona track and field record of six feet, two and one-eighth inches. The conference mark is six feet, five and one-fourth inches.

Bob Johnson, grid halfback now in track suit, is expected to skip the 440 run a shade under 50 seconds, before the season closes. Bernie Singer, 10-flat performer early this

Creighton Gets Bufs' Votes

Tall Team Selects Its All-Opponent Fives—Turns to Track Work

In looking back over their 31-game season, the Buffaloes of West Texas State have concluded that Creighton University of Omaha, Nebr. was the most formidable club they faced. The Nebfaskans defeated them by a single point in madison Square Garden.

The Oklahoma Aggies stood second in the list of opponents, and St. Joseph's College of Philadelphia was third. All-opponent teams were selected as follows:

First team—Butz of St. Joseph's and Gilbreath of Texas Tech, forwards; Belser of Creighton, center; and Enggleston of Oklahoma A. & M. and Brown of Pittsburg, guards.

Second team—Doerner of Evansville College and Langer of Creighton, forwards; Holub of Long Island U., center; and Newman of Oklahoma A. & M. and Pitts of Arkansas U., guards.

The tall Buffs, champions of the Border Conference and winners of 28 of the 31 games, are turning to track with the coming of warm weather. All American Price Brookfield is trying out for the 440-yard dash, discus, shot put, and high jump. Douglas Groom is out for the 440-yard dash and relay. Paul House is out for the 120-yard high hurdles, broad jump and high jump. Olin Reed is a weights man. Leo Steinkoenig will try in the mile run and discus throw. Captain Frank Stockman is a fine prospect for high jump, discus, and pole vault. Six foot 10 inch Charles Halbert will try the discus and shot put. He may run a bit.

fall may drop his time in the century with training.

The Arizona squad this spring is coached by Bud Robinson, the regular coach, Tom Gibbins, being on active duty with the nation's armed forces.

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Tri Tau Fraternity Presents New Members

**Dance in Cousins Hall
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Tri Tau fraternity of West Texas State College presented 11 new members Friday evening in the ballroom of Cousins Hall at its annual spring presentation dance.

Introducing the new members to the guests as they were escorted from a platform decorated in the red and gray colors of Tri Tau, was Bernard Warren, club president.

Former pledges who had undergone formal initiation earlier in the evening and their guests were: Billy Patman, Freda Shuttlesworth; Clark Jones, Yvonne Hendrix; Emilio Cabellero, Mary Cabellero; Stuart Condon, Bobby La Fon; Oliver Dobbs, Dorothy Jean Dixon; Rex Lovelady, Katherine Stone; Gerald Matlock, Margaret Davis; Steve Self, Nancy Coley; Kenneth Freberg, Willene Jennings; Clyde Bray, Thelma Maye Osborn.

Vernon Casey, fall semester pledge, was unable to be presented because he is in the U. S. Air Corps as a flying cadet.

Members of Tri Tau fraternity and their guests present were Roy Cheatham, Nell Spann; Hud Priehard, Jr., Dorothea Harter; Jack Cross, Jerri Dromgoole; Bernard Warren, Gladys Hill; Dwight Howard, Mrs. Howard; John Zimmer; Prof. Derald T. Swineford, sponsor, and Mrs. Swineford; Jack Jouette, sponsor and Mrs. Jouette.

Guests of Tri Tau and their dates were Carl Hills, Velma Osborn; Olie Buchanan, Wilma Helton; Roger Barton, Ruth Cole; Wayne Lovelady, Vergie Crowell; Arley Barnett, Anne Wofford; J. D. Swift, Ruth Milan; Maurice Wingo, Charlotte Word; Jack Hessey, Betty Martin; Jack Maddox, Lynne Edwards; Sam Young, Arlene Gillespie; Red Weatherly, Lois Flowers; Ervin Beltz, Mary K. Byrd; Jimmy Fite, Gerry Smith; Paul House, Jeanne Lively; Norman Trimble, Janice Jones.

Wendell La Crosse, Christine Hicks; Connally Lockhart, Mary Kate Baker; Richard Craig, Betty Perryman; Dick Kilgore, Frances Kilgore; Elmer Hazlett, Marion Crain; Guy Hazlett, Doris Kenyon; Louis Griffin, Dorothy Jane Day; B. A. Davis, Janie Beth Hibbits; Henry Baker, Wilda Dixon; Andy Anderson, Mary Louise Medlen; Donnell Foster, Martha Frances Campbell; Cecil Ivester, Helen Studer; Jack Haley, Dorothy Warwick; Jack Kassohn, Jean Claborn; Walter Word, Avanelle Hill.

Other special guests included Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Meyer; Ardis Patman, Frances Wilroy; Mr. and Mrs. W. Holmes Smith; Mr. and Mrs. James Butler, Dr. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Geraldine Green, Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Condon, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith, and Mrs. C. W. Freed.

Kappa Tau Phi Celebrates Birthday In Amarillo Event

Active and ex-members of Kappa Tau Phi met Saturday evening at Mother Madsen's in Amarillo for the annual celebration of the club's birthday.

A large cake formed the centerpiece for the table and Easter-cup favors were place markers. Madsen's Hines-famed "chicken biscuits" were served to the group.

After dinner the girls attended a movie before returning to Canyon.

Active members for this semester are Marion Evans, Avanelle Hill, Mary Kate Baker, Maurine Boswell, Winifred Carroll, Mary Dale Mitchell, Ida Martha Plerle, Natalie Flesher, Billie Bee Flesher, Catherine Tatum, Irene Hunt, Wilma Helton, Nell Green, Ethelyn Drennan, Viola Holmes, Doris Ball, Thelma and Velma Osborn, and the sponsor, Miss Florence McMurtry.

Special guests present were Mrs. Geraldine Green, Marjorie Ratcliff, and Frances Grady.

Elizabeth Dunn, fall semester graduate, visited on the campus this last week-end. She is working in Amarillo.

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"Shorty" O'Dell, Gib & Floy, Gamma Phi Presents Stage Show for Student Assembly

Bright, Buffalettes, Shine

By BETTY WHITLOCK
Prairie Society Editor

"Sounds as bad on this side as it did on the other," was Dr. Freed's comment on Gib Howard's solo. Contrary to popular belief, it was not an example of West Texas discourtesy to visiting artists, but only a part of the Gamma Phi assembly program, Tuesday morning. And Gib, alias "Tilfred," not only took the remark in stride, but went right on singing "Dig Me a Grave In Oklahoma."

Starting out to be serious and educational, the program was a surprise to bored students who were sure when Lucille Weast, president of Gamma Phi, introduced the speaker for the day, that it was going to be "just another lecture."

But snore came to an abrupt halt, and students sneaking out the back doors stopped in their tracks at the first break in Tilfred's voice. And by the time he got around to calling "Howdy" to Uncle Mitch Jones the auditorium was filled.

Almost entirely musical, the program consisted of both local and Amarillo talent, mixed with enough comedy to make the whole thing laughable.

Tilfred, master-of-ceremonies, allying now and then with some home-spun Oklahoma humor, introduced each act. He took the spotlight first, with a guitar solo, ("Steel Guitar Rag" and "Stumblin'") accompanied by Vesta "Shorty" O'Dell.

Next, and in order, came Jack Andrews swinging out on his accordion to the tune of "Concerto in B-flat Minor" and "Nola"; the Bottle Chorus, with Louise Roach bringing down the house in her stuffed costume, and with her solo "Lucy Lee." The chorus was done to a turn by Gamma pledges, Louise Roach, member, making the funniest looking and the most temperamental leader ever seen. And when the pledge playing the first note came in late, running down the length of the auditorium, the audience fell out of the seats. That was Anne Wofford. Oh, yes, this number was called "The Merry-Go-Round Broke Down."

Weldon Bright was featured next with a little of his left-handed "boogie-woogie." If you noticed, his feet kept going but he couldn't find the pedals.

When Weldon left, Tilfred introduced the Ellis sisters, that talented tap team from Amarillo. Their dance was that difficult "Chain tap," and they didn't miss a lick.

Now again Tilfred managed to steal the show, but this time with his sister, Floy Howard. They did their little brother and sister act . . . a masterpiece of clever "corn." When they sang "The Old Apple Tree," West Texas studes cried tears of pure joy; but when they did their "friendship" number, they howled.

And again, this time a bit of the sublime, the Buffalettes, pride of the college, gave out with "Miss You" and "Baby Won't You Please Come Home." They were accompanied by "Shorty." And here let it be said that Vesta O'Dell is one of the best pianists ever to hit West Texas, so give her all the appreciation due her accordingly.

Next to the last number on the program was the Ellis sisters' military tap with twirling batons. At the end of their dance the curtains were drawn back to show a lighted American flag blowing in an artificial breeze. As the dancers stood at attention on either side the trio sang "We Did It Before." For the finale, the Buffalettes called on the audience to stand and sing "God Bless America."

Brother of Miss Evans Dies from Car Accident Injuries

Miss Hazel Evans of the Women's Physical Education Department, received word that her brother died yesterday morning from injuries received in an automobile accident.

He was in a car wreck near Dallas in which several people were injured last Wednesday.

Censure is the tax a man pays to the public for being eminent.—Swift.

Cobina Is Goat; Does Nothing But Exercise

Dear Cobina:

I really don't know why I'm writing this one. There ain't nothin' to tell you about, but I'll make a try at it. Guess what my latest is? And I don't mean man! Cobina, is that all you ever think about? I'm exercisin'. Cheee, reminds me of my childhood. Ya know, it wasn't so very long ago when I was jumpin' in rope, ridin' bicycles and such just for the fun of it, and now I'm doin' it to keep down the old waistline. And incidentally, Cobina, while we're on th' subject, I didn't like that remark of yours about people actin' their age. So I did graduate from high school ten years ago. Can't a person have no ambition? You might use a college education to advantage yourself! Also, don't make no cracks about my childhood memories. You're just jealous because you can't remember yours. The last time you jumped a rope was when they was still usin' grape vines. All I got to say is, Cobina, you're awful caty to me after all I've done fer ya.

Cheee, war talk is all ya hear anymore. The kids is even beginnin' to make jokes about it. I guess they think I'm a pretty good sport, 'cause they always make me the goat. But I don't mind. . . . I know they don't mean a word of it. Fer instance: There was the cutest man come up here to visit one of the fellers. So he was interducin' his to everybody in the hall. Well, I inched in . . . not wantin' to miss nothin'. When I got the chance I casually struck up a conversation tellin' him that the campus is somethin' he oughtn't to miss, and that I'll be glad to show him the points of interest. He took one look at me, turned to the feller he was visitin' and said, "Is that her original face, or is it a retread?" They laughed fit t' kill, and to show ya' what a sport I am, I laughed right with 'em. He couldn'ta meant nothin'. I'd just had me one o' them free facials. And speakin' o' the facials, I certainly didn't like that gal's attitude! Seems to me, people oughta teach their employees to be more respectful. She had the nerve to ast me not to noise it around that I'd got one of her facials. I don't know what she meant, but somethin' tells me it wasn't no compliment.

Cobina, don'tchu feel bad about that fella who ast you fer a dime fer a cup of coffee. Looks like he woulda jumped at th' chance to get that chicken dinner if he'd let you go with him. Wonder if he ever got a dime? Oh well, like I said, don'tchu worry. He's probly the kind of a guy that would marry Hedy Lamarr for her money.

I got the nicest compliment the other day. It ain't often a girl gets one on this campus, so I felt kinda pleased about the whole thing. Ya' know, I was tellin' you about that cute Jimmy Fite? Well he tole me that I would stand out in any crowd . . . m' face had a worn kind of distinction. Cheee, distinction. I like that word. Never thought I'd hear it used on he though. Although I have heard that my face was different. Now there's a real gentleman fer ya. I must talk to him more often.

I was kinda indignant about you're tellin' me how I was really too old to be in school, Cobina, but now that I've cooled down and thought the whole thing over, sometimes I think you're right. I was talkin' to one o' these smart aleck little Freshmen boys th' other day and somehow the conversation got around to ages. I ast something about hatin' to think of life at forty-five, and he said, "Why, what happened then?"

Oh well, I guess ever'one's got to get discouraged once in a while. Well, Cobina. I guess I better go. I got a class now. I can't cut like ever'body else can. Seems like th' prof's always notice when I ain't there. I must have that kind of a face . . . conspicuous by its absence.

Write me right away 'nd tell me how your latest trap worked out. You know, th' one where you used th' dropped billfold over a camera-flaged man-hole.

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BRENDA.

Randall Hall Girls Have Pajama Dance

Randall Hall girls treated themselves to a pajama dance last week for the first time since the last semester. It lasted for an hour before lights-out at 11 p. m. Vesta O'Dell, commuting student from Amarillo, an overnight guest, played the piano for part of the dancing.

Money talks! United States Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps shout "Victory!"

AAUW To Meet Thursday Evening

Members of the American Association of University Women will meet for a formal dinner in the dining room of the Home Economics department, Thursday evening, April 9, at 7:30 o'clock.

Special guests of the local organization will be officers of the Amarillo branch.

Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton, who will be on the campus during the week for a series of lectures on marriage and family relations, will be the speaker.

A. A. U. W. members who expect to attend the dinner are asked to telephone number 357J and make reservations by Tuesday night. Reservations for personal guests may be made by calling the same number Wednesday morning. Tickets are priced at 65 cents.

Jewelry Adds That Final Touch To Spring Wardrobes

Reaching its zenith in sophistication and refreshing delirium is this season's novelty jewelry, which adds the final touch to mylady's spring wardrobe.

Even with the war and priorities, the novelty jewelry department can prove to be one of the most interesting departments to modern women.

If pastels are your choice for date-time ensembles, dress them up with stylish necklaces of jet. Or is it vice versa? Are you going exotic in black? Clear necklaces that reflect every color of the rainbow and give the appearance of misty soap bubbles do much to add sparkle. For the ultra sophisticate, ornate antique silver chains are popular.

Campus clothes call for flippant jewelry of the casual variety. Daisy chains made from cantaloupe and watermelon seeds or thick chains of sunflower seeds painted in dusky shades set off to coquettish perfection those roomy pullover sweaters. Pastel birthday candles strung on velvet ribbons also flatter sweater costumes.

Seventy-One Students Completed Correspondence Work Last Nine Weeks

Seventy-one students have completed correspondence courses from West Texas State College during the last nine weeks, the courses ranging in length from two to four semester hours.

W. T. offers correspondence work in twenty departments. At the present time there is a greatly increased demand for mathematics courses and more interest than usual in science offerings. The departments of education and government have the heaviest enrollments. A great number of the government enrollments are those of out-of-state people who are now teaching in Texas and who must take a course in Texas Government before they can qualify for certification.

Mrs. Green Purchases Record Player with Recorder, PA System

To help in teaching her classes of English, Mrs. Geraldine Green has a collection of records for instruction to play on her record player. In her collection, she has Shakespearean speech, and great poetry records.

Her record player is an attachment to a new 7-tube radio, with a public address system, and a record-making device.

Practicing for the interscholastic league debating contest, eight Amarillo High School students discussed the question, "Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Equalize Education by Grants in Aid to the States."



Bud Abbott (L) and Lou Costello in Universal's hard-riding, fast-laughing comedy sensation, "Ride 'Em Cowboy" at the Olympe Saturday Midnight, Sunday and Monday.

Collecting Personal Philosophies Is Hobby of West Texas State Junior

Psychologists stress the value of hobbies. Certain magazines are devoted entirely to the subject, many others like to feature interesting hobbies, and there is a radio program broadcast over a national hook-up called "Hobby-Lobby."

And, speaking of hobbies, W. J. Williamson, a junior, has an interesting one. Williamson is collecting expressions of personal philosophy from members of all professions. He sends out letters to outstanding men in national and world affairs, enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope for their convenience in replying. The letter, the body of which is mimeographed asks the question, "What do you consider the chief purpose of the human life?"

Williamson has received answers to approximately 40 per cent of those which he has mailed out. Some write that they cannot answer the question within the limits of a letter. They refer him to certain documents, books, and works of philosophers. The president of Columbia University referred him to his book, "Philosophy to Find." Dean Lynn Harold Hough, of Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, N. J., sent Williamson a copy of his book, "Christian Criticism of Life."

Williamson has been working on this hobby for about three years. He plans to continue it so long as he lives. He has mailed one hundred letters since January 10.

"It is an expensive hobby," he explained, "but it is one of the best ways of growing that I know. I learn to know people, the great and simple, the Christian and the pagan."

Right now, Williamson is anxiously waiting to learn whether his friend, Sam Hilburn, who was a missionary in Japan for 18 years, will be able to secure an answer from Toyohiko Kagawa, who is credited with saying, "If there had been one million Christian people in Japan there would have been no war."

This student, who is a transfer from McMurry College in Abilene, likes going to school in W. T. Besides being a student and a hobby enthusiast, Williamson has pastored the Methodist churches at Adrian and Wildorado.

Latin Motifs Are Found In Spring Fashions, Jewelry

Latin American gaiety combines with brilliant colors and forceful designs in spring fashions.

From the south comes much individuality of character in the costumes worn by natives of Latin-American countries and colors and designs have been successfully interpreted in fabrics which will bring a festive spirit to our northern spring season. Patterns and tones have been selected with fine discrimination to blend with styles preferred by North American girls.

It took 20,000 miles of travel for these fashions to come north from Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, and Chile. From Mayan temples or festivals of Guatemala come a riot of color from native costumes embroidered in motifs that have been traditional since ancient times.

Woven into materials that will whirl in rumbas are patterns evolved in days long ago by the Incas of Peru, patterns that live today in the ponchos of the natives. Resplendent in color are designs from objects by the Conquistadors from Spain. Lovable and amusing are "aminalitoes" or little animals that figure in the hand weavings of the Indians.

Colors figure importantly in this Latin-American pageant. There's the red of Indian hand woven material, the blue of the seas as seen from divvying heights; the yellow or humming birds wings; and the green of jade.

Leona Meyer Armstrong, '42, who teaches in Midland, visited on the campus Friday.

Geology Studies To Be Broader

Dr. A. J. MacAlpin to Give Entire Time in Summer To Museum Development

Dr. A. J. MacAlpin will devote all of his time next summer to work in and for the museum and in preparation of new courses for the 1942-43 long session.

He will file and index materials, prepare specimens for display, make fossil-hunting trips, write papers, collect materials for a geological library, and preserve fossils which are received. Re-arranging of some museum materials will be undertaken.

Oil men and geologists of the Panhandle who have been approached by Dr. MacAlpin are giving maps, logs, magazines, and other materials to the new library. The bibliography of materials on the geology of the high plains region will be of great value when substantially completed.

The department of geology has received many new maps, including county maps of this region, federal oil and gas map of Texas, a state structural map, and a federal topographical map. These will be used in a course in structural geology, to be offered next fall, and a course in the geology of the high plains region, to be taught next spring.

Through the efforts of Floyd V. Studer of Amarillo, the museum will soon receive a fossil of an ichthyosaur, a marine reptile of great interest. This is being sent from Florida by Dr. Theodore E. White.

Dr. MacAlpin likes to relate how his students continued their classes recently while he was ill for two weeks. He had no substitute, but the classes appointed discussion leaders and continued their work. He was pleasantly surprised when he checked the amount and character of work accomplished.

Additions to museum collections also are coming through the efforts of Boone McClure, field man and assistant curator.

ENGLISH MAJOR AND MINOR EXAMINATIONS

"English major or English minor examinations must be passed satisfactorily before members of the English department may recommend the student as a teacher of English. These examinations are to be given near the first of May." (page 108 General Catalog.)

Every student in the college is required to have a second minor in English. This leads many to believe that they are prepared to teach English in high schools and the grades. Of course, some who make very high grades on freshman English are prepared to teach, while others are entirely too weak to undertake to teach English.

If you intend to ask English teachers for a recommendation, see the head of the English department concerning the date and nature of the examination.

B. F. FRONABARGER,
Head of the English Dept.

TEACHES IN LUBBOCK

Miss Audie Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Johnson, resigned her position in the Borger Public Schools recently to accept a position teaching chemistry in Lubbock High School.

Plans for the black-out of West Texas State College buildings have not been completed, according to Dean R. P. Jarrett.

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COUNTY HISTORY RECEIVED

A copy of a "History of Brazos County," the M. A. thesis of Elmer Marshall of Garwood, has been received by the Panhandle-Plains Museum. It will be copied and returned to Mr. Marshall, who is a former student. The work was done at the University of Texas.

ZIMMER IN AIR CORPS

John Zimmer, member of Tri Tau fraternity here last year, was inducted into the U. S. Air Corps Thursday at Lubbock. Zimmer will enter as a flying cadet.

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