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Seventy-Sixth Commencement Sunday

Dr. Hill To Make Main Address; 109 To Graduate

The seventy-sixth commencement of West Texas State College is scheduled to take place Sunday morning, August 22, at 11:00 a.m. Commencement will be held in the Main Auditorium.

The main address will be made by Dr. J. A. Hill, retiring president of West Texas State. He has chosen as his subject "Roadside Observations."

It has been thirty years and sixty commencements since this college has given degrees.

At the end of this commencement, Dr. Hill will have himself conferred 4,216 degrees during his presidency at West Texas State.

Moving pictures are to be made in color of the graduation exercises with the school's recently acquired movie camera.

The public is cordially invited to attend commencement. The processional will begin at 10:45 a.m.

Receiving Master of Arts degrees are: Frank D. Barnhill, Robert L. Bates, Sam A. Begert, J. B. Best, Wilma Lee Pope Boothe, Mildred Solomon Bosler, Lavenia Mayneil Boykin, Annie Lula Burgess, E Burroughs, Martha Nelle Burton, Isabel Sharpe Cousins, Dean P. Cox, Charles Patrick Flanigin.

Helen Hague, R. Melvin James, Gwendalyn Johnson, Agrie Jones, Pollyanna Pitt Kimmins, Thelma A. McMinn, Luella Hedrick McNew, Stella Dodson Matherly, Edgar Leon Neal, Ernestine W. O'Brien, Jimmie Lucille Park.

Grace E. Paul, Martha Elizabeth Patton Posey, Viola Price, Mary Ethel Proctor, Oba Thornton Red, Maxine Sloneker, Della Stagner, Ralph W. Stewart, Pearl Lane Vernon, Jack H. Walker, Essie Mae Walters, Kenneth Paul Walters, Velma Raney Weaver.

Mary Jeannette Wilson will receive her Master of Business Administration degree.

Bachelor of Arts degrees will be received by June Russell Malone, Anna E. Quattlebaum, Fay Porter Smith, Mary Thomas Stewart, and Ima Faye Kirk Stowell.

Bachelor of Business Administration degrees will go to Earle H. Christian, Jr., Calvin E. Hampton, Jacob Vincent Huber, Tom Kell Newberry, Rex Markel Shearer, Carl Alton Small, and Truman T. Vineyard.

Receiving Bachelor of Science degrees are: Eula Priddy Abbott, Kit-tie Glascock Allison, Joseph Monroe Baker, Jack Alvis Barnett, Blanche Begert, Tillie Harlan Black, Callie Hill Bradley, Wynema Robbins Brotherton, Robbie Anderson Buck, Velma Fennell Cheves, Zulette Louise Conatser, Oleta Crump.

Dexter Fincher Davenport, Irene Chaney Draper, Theda Mize Elmore, Willie Buford Emler, Ann Sheridan Gaines, Charles P. Halbert, Joe Smith Harcastle, William C. Harter, Sue Perry Holt, Frances White Huber, Albert J. Jacobs, Rosa Lee G. Johnson.

Mary Nell Earnest Kelley, Lois Burns Kent, Edwin Metz LaFollette, Joe A. Landreth, Mollie Belle Lan-

How To Get Into First Buff Game:

The answer to many students' questions concerning admittance to the September 11 football game between West Texas and Arizona State was answered yesterday by Clark Jarnagin, ticket director.

"Since school will not start until the following week," announced Jarnagin, "prospective students who wish to attend this game on the 11th may come by the Student Union and purchase a ticket for \$1.80. They will also be given a receipt. The following week, when they enroll, and receive their Activity Ticket, they then must bring their receipt and their Activity Ticket to the Student Union at which time they will be refunded \$1.50."

"The thirty cents," continued Jarnagin, "is the amount necessary to pay the tax on the ticket."

The Student Union will be open starting September 5 to enable students to purchase their ducats.

TO STUDENTS AND FACULTY:

This is a note of appreciation for your extraordinary thoughtfulness and kindness during the summer. You have kept the tradition of friendliness on our campus. You have cooperated well in keeping our college home clean and beautiful. Most of you have worked hard and have exhibited a fine understanding of values. You have used well the facilities we have to offer and have seemed to appreciate and enjoy them.

These facts have been most gratifying to me in these closing days of my administration. I trust that you will give the new administration the same quality of support, whether you are on or off the campus. He will need it and he will deserve it.

West Texas State is a great institution whether measured by its achievements or its prospects. Students, ex-students, and faculty have it in their power to make it outstanding. It will be the part of enlightened selfishness to do so; also the part of good citizenship.

My abiding and fervent prayers will be with you as long as life shall last.

Your friend,
J. A. Hill, President

drum, Luther B. Lawless, Dorothy Palmer McClure, Cecil Marvin McCollough, Charles Eugene McDonald, Mary Ruth McDonald.

Charles E. McLeroy, LaWanda Jean Moore, Mattie Hout Moreland, Berdell Nelson, J. E. Osborn, Leonard C. Pack, Phyllis Irene Perkins, Ira Sherrod Reavis, Dorothy Scott, Frances Shaw, Doris Sheddlebar, Alta Wynona Smith, Dorothy Fisher Smith, Patricia Jean Smith. Pauline Flowers Strickland, Clyde M. Teague, Jr., Dalton Myron Teague, Mildren Clement Thomas, Billie J. Thompson, Margaret Wharton Waggoner, LaNelle Phillips Wal-drop, Elizabeth Estelle Walter, Wilma Watkins, Harley D. Wright.

Charles Halbert is president of the senior class. Charles McDonald is vice-president and June Russell Malone is secretary.

There are 109 graduates.

Graduates Should Have Pictures Made For '49 Le Mirage

All students who are receiving Masters or Bachelors degrees this summer who have not had their pictures made for the 1949 Le Mirage should have their pictures taken Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at Autry's Studio, 118 W. 6th, Amarillo.

Space fees should be paid in the Publications Office Wednesday or Thursday.

Social Schedule

Tuesday

"The Rock", Administration Auditorium, 8:15 p.m., admission, free.

Wednesday

Square dancing, tennis courts, 8-10.

NOTICES

Special Notice to Seniors and Graduates:

Rehearsal for the graduating exercises will be Saturday afternoon, August 21 at 4:00. All seniors and graduates are urgently requested to attend. If for any reason you are unable to be there, please have someone represent you.

All seniors and graduates are expected to be at the Museum not later than 10:40 Sunday, August 22. If weather does not permit, seniors will meet in Rooms 211 and graduates in the Graduate Reading Room.

D. A. Shirley

Notice to All Faculty Members:

The processional for the graduating exercises Sunday morning will form in front of the Museum building at 10:40. Those members who have not already seen Mr. Henson

Dr. Hill Makes Gifts To Library, Museum

Dr. J. A. Hill has recently given the library of West Texas State 783 books, bulletins, magazines, and other publications.

Dr. Hill has also given the Pan-handle-Plains Historical Museum three framed documents pertaining to the United Nations. One of these is a copy of the United Nations Charter.

relative to masters gowns will please do so immediately.

(Signed) D. A. Shirley

Caps and gowns will be issued Wednesday, August 18, in the storeroom west of Room 11 of the Administration Building. Hours for issuing caps and gowns will be 9-11:30 and 2-4:00.



Pictured are Wendell Cain, who has the title role of Simon Peter in "The Rock" and Dr. J. A. Hill. The play is given in honor of Dr. Hill.

'The Rock' Presented Tonight

8:15 Time of Play Honoring Dr. Hill

"The Rock" will be given in honor of Dr. J. A. Hill tonight in the Administration Building Auditorium at 8:15.

There will be no admission charge for the play and everyone is urged to attend.

"The Rock", a Bible drama, was written by Mary P. Hamlin. It concerns the character development of Simon Peter, played by Wendell Cain.

Other members of the cast are: Sybil Ann Gillis, Frances Lynn Townes, Harold Mayfield, Patricia

Jean Smith, Wayne Rankin, A. B. Smith, and P. J. Neff.

Betty Jean Brown is student director of the play.

Special music will be furnished by M. J. Newman and the brass choir.

The setting for the play was designed and painted by A. G. Kieselbach, of the art department, assisted by students.

Some of the costumes for the play came from the Amarillo Little Theatre and some are from the Colorado Costume Company. Patricia Jean Smith, Sybil Ann Gillis, and Frances Lynn Townes designed and made their own costumes.

Special attention is called to the armor worn by the Roman soldier, played by A. B. Smith. It is authen-

tic armor that was made in Germany.

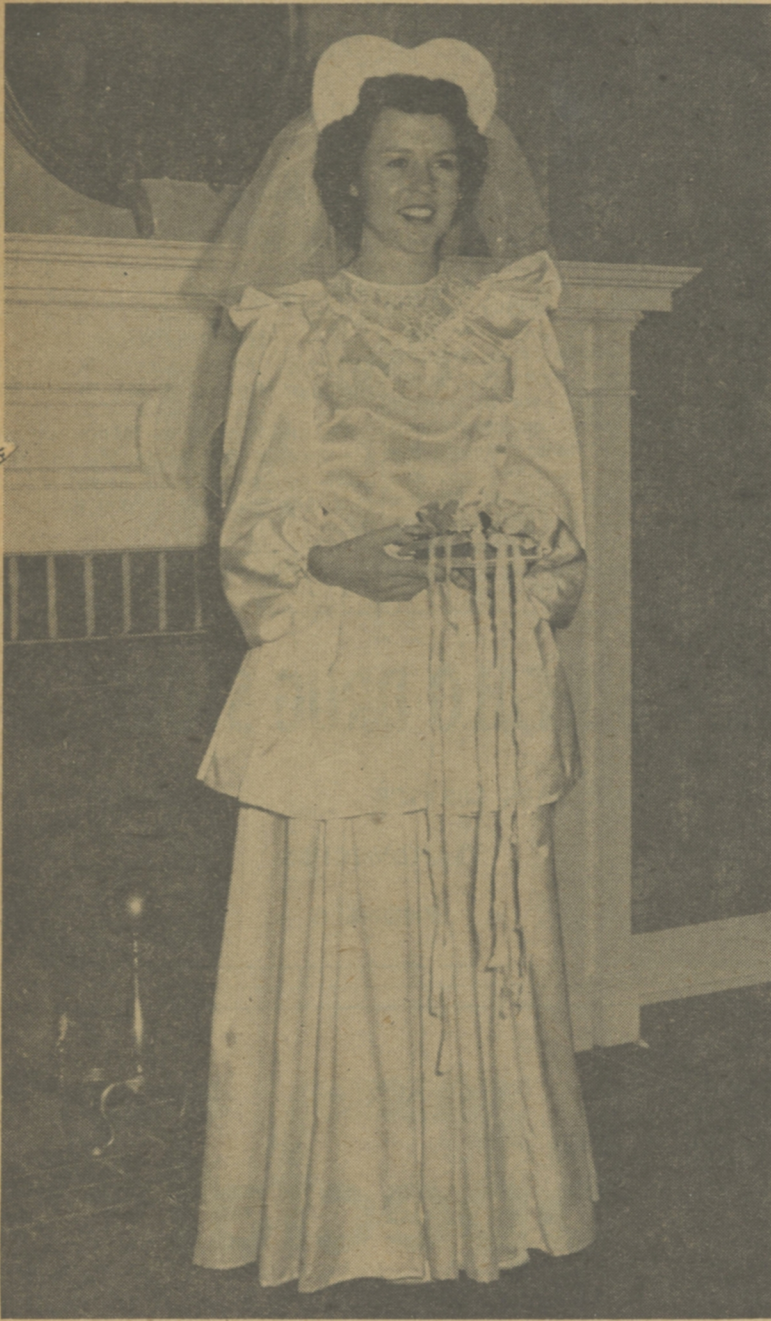
Virginia Hunter is head of the property crew for the play and Sue Smith McMahan heads the costume committee.

Rosie Bates was in complete charge of the programs.

Ushers for the play will be members of the Greek Letter clubs on the campus.

Hosts are: Dr. and Mrs. James P. Cornette, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Shirley, Dr. and Mrs. James L. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. A. Kirk Knott, Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Sheffy, Dr. and Mrs. Lee L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Savage; Miss Eleanor C. Boyd, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell Jones.

Wedding To Be Performed In Home Management House



Nell Latham and Bruce Baumann will be married Sunday, August 22 at 9:00 in the morning in the Home Management House. This is the first wedding ever to take place in the Home Management House.

They plan a formal wedding. The double-ring ceremony will be read by Reverend Hubert Thomson of the Canyon Methodist Church.

Helen Woods is to attend the bride as maid-of-honor. Paul Dowers, of Raton, New Mexico, will be best man.

Nell Latham is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Latham of Mineral Wells. A home economics major, she will graduate next February. She is a member of the Home Economics Club and the president of Kappa Omicron Phi for the coming year.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Baumann of Perryton, Bruce Baumann will be a senior this fall. He is majoring in business and vocational education.

Mary Cook Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook of Higgins are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Elmer Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ward of Glazier.

The wedding is scheduled to take place September 15.

Faculty Has Picnic On Dr. Hill's Lawn

Members of the faculty and their wives and husbands met on Dr. J. A. Hill's lawn for a picnic last Thursday evening.

This was the annual picnic held on the President's lawn every summer.

About 130 attended.

Haggard Passes Exam for CPA

William F. Haggard has recently returned from Mineral Wells, Texas, where he passed his Certified Public Accountant examination.

The rating of Certified Public Accountant is a high rating for accountants. Only one out of every five persons who take the examination pass it.

Mr. Haggard teaches accounting and auditing at WT.

Stolen Car of Miss Welch Recovered

The car of Miss Nola Belle Welch, which was recently stolen in Canyon, has been recovered in Abilene.

The car was not badly damaged, but most of the tools and extras had been removed. The car was on a used car lot. Men having the car at the time were held by officers in Abilene.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Hill will have the cast of "The Rock" over to their home for refreshments following the performance of the play tonight.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE FOR SIX WEEKS SESSION ENDING AUGUST 22

All 7:30 classes meet from 7:30 to 9:30 on Friday, August 20th.
All 10:30 classes meet from 10:00 to 12:00 on Friday, August 20th.
All 3:00 classes meet from 1:30 to 3:30 on Friday, August 20th.
All 9:00 classes meet from 7:30 to 9:30 on Saturday, August 21st.
All 1:30 classes meet from 10:00 to 12:00 on Saturday, August 21st.

Alpha Psi Omega Initiates Three

Initiation of new members into Alpha Psi Omega and a dinner at King's Cottage in Amarillo were held last Sunday night.

The new members are Frances Lynn Townes, Patricia Jean Smith, and Rosie Bates.

As part of the program at the dinner, Mrs. Charles Harter, Mrs. Tommie Montford, and Wendell Cain, charter members of Alpha Psi Omega, told of their early memories and the organization of Alpha Psi Omega.

Bill Hutchinson, recently returned from the Little Theatre of the Rockies, Colorado State College, Greeley, Colorado, told of his experiences there this summer.

These former members of Alpha Psi Omega were here for the initiation and dinner: Lin Welch, Twitty; Jody Marsh, Crosbyton; Charles Bruce, Vega; and Bill Hutchinson, Pampa.

Dr. and Mrs. Hill Will Leave for Vacation Sept. 1

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Hill are leaving on an extended vacation September 1.

They plan to tour Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, and possibly go to the West Coast. They will return a little before the Christmas holidays.

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MEMBER OF 'THE ROCK' CAST



A. B. Smith completes the cast of "The Rock." He plays the role of the Roman soldier. Other cast members were pictured last week.

Caroline Barber Will Teach Next Fall in Venezuela

Caroline Barber, a graduate student, will leave the last of this month for Venezuela where she will teach this fall.

She has recently returned from Houston where she had an interview and shots prior to her trip to Venezuela.

A graduate of WT, Miss Barber has taught for the last two years in Carlsbad, New Mexico. She is from Coffeyville, Kansas.

She will teach primary work in Port La Cruz, about one hundred miles from Carraccas.

Fern DeVries Takes Work in Japan

Miss Fern DeVries, English teacher in the Demonstration School, has resigned to take up work in Japan with the War Department.

She will be working on the War Department's Civil Information and Education Program in Japan. This program includes such things as reorganization of the schools, re-education of Japanese teachers, developing demonstration classes in the schools, work with teachers' organizations, work with youth organizations, adult education, and reorientation of the female population in their rights and responsibilities.

Miss DeVries holds both bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Iowa. She has been at West Texas State since last September. She was sponsor of the senior class of 1948 at West Texas High School.

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AROUND THE CAMPUS IN 40 CLICHES

(with apologies to S. J. Perelman)

By Pat Smith

Now that the gruesome summer is drawing to its last gasp and the rainy season approacheth (been dropping in on rehearsals of "The Rock") we find of a sudden that there are many seekers after light who grope their studious way about the local think-factory with little thought of what lies beyond their own little orbits. So we will take a quick journey to view as loyal students the places where the other two thirds work and sweat and play.

As we drive into our fair city the eye is smote by letters of fire above the hurry and bustle of the highway spelling We-- Te-as State. The cries of stricken (or struck) pedestrians mingle with the screech and whine of tires for today's student is motor-borne.

On the corner where the great highways cross we find—entirely surrounded by filling stations—the 20th century West Texas equivalent of the Elizabethan Coffee House—Bob's Coffee Shoppe, owned by a man namgd King. It is here that students attain broad and understanding human concepts as they rub elbows with their fellows in the red leather (?) boothes. The walls are adorned with relics of last year's social lights interspersed with works of fine art. As we leave the favorite rendezvous—the haunting strains of "You Call Everybody Darling" pursue us on our tour of the campus proper.

Rounding a corner—or cutting through a vacant lot if you would really be among these denizens of this hallowed place of higher learning—we find what is lovingly and laughingly known hereabouts as the Stupid Union. He we find books for sale! All the worlds of learning between the covers of dusty books stacked neatly upon shelves! The cheerful sounds of revelry are interrupted only slightly by yelps of agony (someone just stepped on a dog or asked the price of a book). Looking down on the current mass from his exalted position like a ro-tund and genial angel can be found Clark Jarnagin, empressario.

Passing through the Post Office with hopefuls ever peering into boxes for that check that seldom comes—we emerge into the street, dodge two convertibles and a baby carriage and, dragging ourselves safely back to the sidewalk, regard with awe the magnificence of the mess hall still shining in its pristine newness.

Now we enter the inner sanctum of learning. The Education Building looms before us, whose title carries the endless connotations of the term.

Skirting this gingerly we find at the end of a well-worn path across a narrow brick street a couple of modest white frame buildings like wistful Cinderella's hanging on the fringe of the campus. They are labeled variously Speech Arts (Branding Iron Theatre) and Band Building.

The latter can be identified by mournful and dissonant strains and toots emerging at odd hours of the day and night.

The next building brings to mind the ancient House of Usher with its faintly discernible cracks from roof to foundation. We pass Burton Gym (as it is called) at a safe distance—gaze down a long street where can be observed an athletic field, a swimming pool, and unhal-owed halls where men students do not grow into plaster saints.

We progress and discover the tennis courts (used chiefly for square dancing). We observe the English Building, peek at the Home Management House (where people—mostly girls who study the fine art of homemaking—practice living in a house).

Turning our faces toward the south we approach the seraglio of venerable Cousins Hall where many

maidens are pent in durance vile. We see from a distance the abode of those seekers after truth—the scientists. Approaching, we turn back hastily as a great stench assails our various nostrils.

Now we know the reason for its isolated majesty.

We hurry by the Administration building and turn—pleased with a vista of a field of colorful geraniums—south again along a shady walk to where the ponderous bulk of the Panhandle Plains Museum sits looking at Randall Hall—home of beautiful damsels and—uh—girls.

We find a shopping area but only once a month is it populated by those who matriculate at our institution.

We have not lingered as we would have liked to. To explore the unknown regions—to look into those mysterious buildings which are huddled so mysteriously about the campus—even to have penetrated into the nether regions—where—men say—there is an infamous abode called Conner Hall. Those must wait for another day.

The sun is making a dramatic exit in the west and as he goes down in a final blaze of glory we take reluctant leave of the place where we have spent many happy hours—chatting with the strange but friendly natives.

Patronize Prairie Advertisers.

Miss Ruth Lowes Received Ph.D. Degree at Iowa

Iowa City, Iowa, August 5—Violet Ruth Lowes of Canyon received the degree of doctor of philosophy at the State University of Iowa Commencement August 4. Her field of study at Iowa was education.

Miss Lowes graduated from West Texas State College with a bachelor of arts degree and received a master of arts degree from Teachers College, Columbia University in 1930.

The topic of her doctor of philosophy thesis was "The Relation of Certain Near-Reading Activities in the Home to Reading Readiness and Reading Progress."

Alvis Redden, summer instructor in the art department, has been released from the hospital where he was confined because of injuries received in an automobile accident July 21.

Mr. Redden resumed the supervision of his practice-teaching class (Education 442) yesterday.



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