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Wayland Beaten 28-12 by Buffs In Opener; Baptist's Defense Found Difficult To Penetrate

Captain Hale and Kelly Share High Point Honor
With Nine Points Each; Pearson and Reeves
Show Ability to Hold Down Their Positions.

BY FELIX PHILLIPS
Swish! was the sound that accompanied Otello Herm's first shot at the little iron ring, and marked the scoring of the first tally to be registered by the Buffs in the initial step of their march toward the T. I. A. A. Basketball Championship. Wayland opposed Hale's men on the home court here Friday night. A tough defense was their chief strong point, and only by settling down to fast and accurate form were the Bisons able to swamp them to the tune of 28 to 12. The fans watched Pearson, the long boy from Tulsa, show his stuff and were pleased. Bivins showed his competency to take the place of Cleatis Crump, who is out of the game but will return next week, playing a remarkably fast offensive game.

The fans were loud in their praise of Hill and Herm, and acclaimed them the best pair of guards in the state. Well this pair of defense men earned the praises of the throng, for they showed spurts of form which last year won them a permanent place in the sports annals of W. T. S. T. C. Reeves supplanted Bivins on the plastered court in the second period, and showed himself a man of value to the reserves of Hale's original five, scoring in a couple of instances and proving his ability in every department of the game.

Captain Hale himself broke loose soon after the initial counter, and scored six points in quick succession, and from then on the issue was never in doubt. Several fans have raised a question as to Hale's ability to score, contending that he serves only as a feeder to Crump. This is a falsity, as the play proved last Friday, and even if it be true, last year's record shows it to be a policy of worth.

The Baptist Quintet has a defense of unusual strength, but Pearson and Hale pierced it often, owing largely to the low, quick passing of their mates. Kelly was the man who showed good form on the defense for the Plainview boys, but was lost to his comrades in the second period because of the assessment of four personals.

Big Coach Burton is working daily with the Teachers Cagers, and is rapidly wearing off the rough spots in his scoring machine in preparation for the pair of Daniel Baker tilts here January 27 and 28, as the N. M. M. I. contests have again been canceled. Coach Burton is attempting to secure games for Hale's men for this week, but has had no success as yet. He is looking for exceptional difficulty when he meets the strong A. C. C. and Denton quintets, and Daniel Baker has had a remarkably successful season thus far. The Brownwood men have defeated both A. C. C. and Austin College. Their men are of untied mettle with the exception of Chambers, Huggins, and Miller, three former Brownwood high school men and represent an unknown quantity in the T. I. A. A. race as yet.

The line-up:
Forward ----- Hale
Forward ----- Bivins
Center ----- Pearson
Farmer ----- Hill
Guards ----- Herm
Stroup ----- Reeves for Bivins;
Wise for Kelly.
Referee—Woodward (Fordham).

Yearling Stock Rises

Yearling stock prices rose 43 points last Saturday night when they defeated Panhandle High to the tune of 43 to 12. The Yearlings were a little slow getting under way owing to early season shape, but Bennett, Kelly, and Sanders showed the fans that they were Buffaloes to be. Goodlett and Nipper showed up well on the defense, and Mobley did not score heavily but showed up well as a ball hustler. Bartlett of Panhandle led his mates in their attack, and all of them played a fast, aggressive game.

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EAST TEXAS COL- LEGE DEDICATES NEW AUDITORIUM

DIGNITARIES FROM OVER THE
STATE ATTEND INAUGURAL
OF PRESIDENT WHITLEY

PRESIDENT HILL IS AMONG SPEAKERS

Governor Speaks at Ceremony Dedicating Education-Auditorium Plant at Commerce College

Institutions of higher learning all over Texas were represented at the dedication of the new Education-Auditorium at the East Texas State Teachers College last Saturday. The inaugural of Dr. S. H. Whitley as president of the college to succeed Dr. R. B. Binnion was held jointly with the dedicatory ceremony.

President J. A. Hill was one of the principal speakers at the dedication of the new building. He represented the Teachers Colleges of Texas and was their spokesman at the ceremony.

Mr. Hill told of the problems which the Teachers Colleges had met and solved in the years of standardization and in their fight for nation-wide recognition.

"In the inauguration of President Whitley," said Mr. Hill, speaking of the East Texas school, "there is positive assurance that the high standard of service at the East Texas State Teachers College will be maintained. This is a volatile age and the first responsibility for the stability of a college organization is its president. In this respect the East Texas State Teachers College is fortunate, for whatever happens, the man at the helm will maintain his own equanimity."

"The Texas State Teachers Colleges have met and faced the following problems with success," stated President Hill, "(1) The adjustment and enforcement of entrance requirements; (2) the reconstruction of the curriculum; (3) the improvement of the scholarship and professional preparation of the faculty; (4) the enlargement of the faculty and the expansion of the physical equipment; (5) much larger financial support, making possible a better salary scale, and general improvements; (6) no small measure of public distrust; (7) recognition from the educational world, including both the secondary and collegiate institutions; (8) the practical absence of professional standards for teachers and that fatal weakness entrenched in the law and fortified by public opinion."

"The scholarship and professional preparation of the various faculties have been greatly improved through numerous leaves of absence for study and through the additional of more well prepared men and women. A better salary scale has been put into effect, and larger financial support in general has been accorded by the Legislature. Much of the public distrust has been removed; the people as a whole having accepted as wise and beneficent the larger problem of the Teachers College."

Mr. Hill gave the high points in the recognition received by the Teachers Colleges, as admission into the American Association of Colleges in Class A; rating as senior colleges given by the State Department of Education; recognition by a special committee of the University of Texas; and, finally, admission into the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools—the final step in a campaign to gain national recognition.

Outlining the needs of the Teachers Colleges, President Hill said that it was very desirable that a minimum of \$3,000,000 should be appropriated by the next legislature for buildings and improvements at the Teachers Colleges. The salary scale of members of the faculty should be such as will attract and hold the best teaching staffs than can be gotten together. Physical education deserves special emphasis also, President Hill pointed out. A campaign should be inaugurated to improve the efficiency of this department.

"Some plan should be worked out whereby a much larger per cent of our students will have opportunity to profit by the training schools."

"The Teachers Colleges should throw their resources without reserve."

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Prexy Outlines Privileges Due Seniors of '26

Conduct in keeping with the ideals of the College and portraying the highest marks of an educated man or woman are the only restrictions placed upon the Senior Class by President Hill last Wednesday morning in outlining the privileges of that class.

By his definition of the privileges and self-directing ability that should prevail in a senior college class Mr. Hill removed the powers of the Deans of Men and Women from over the Senior Class and left them only advisory in nature. Liberty to do right is all that is given," said Mr. Hill. "Our conduct here should reflect on what we would be willing to apply and be judged by in our life following college life."

Mr. Hill outlined why it was that it has never been the policy of this institution to circumscribe the liberties of any student only when circumstances demanded, and that what restrictions there were were brought on by the students themselves and would be raised as soon as the students justified the raising of any restriction. He continued, "Free development is necessary to wholesome development, and college men and women should be able of wise self-direction for such is one aim of a college."

No enumerated list of privileges or restrictions was outlined but the Senior class was put on the same level as the faculty when administrative control is concerned. The individuals own idea of conduct anywhere on the campus is the controlling power, that is as long as they stay within the proprieties of good society. "If seniors in a teachers training college are not able to control themselves they will not be able to control others and the institution has failed in its highest purpose," declared Mr. Hill.

SENIOR SWEATERS

Borrowed by Slimes, For Vengeance
Reasons—Returned in Trade

For Six Green Caps
A daring robbery occurred at Cousins Hall last Tuesday when six sweaters belonging to the Seniors of '26 were taken from the rooms of the owners.

Clues pointing to the culprit were conspicuous by their absence. One unusual feature of the affair came to light when articles which had been in the sweater pockets were returned. Suspicion pointed toward certain members of the Freshman class.

The sweaters were returned Thursday morning in exchange for six Freshman caps. The Seniors disclaim any connection with the caps. The Freshmen protest any knowledge of the disappearance of the sweaters.

The Seniors have expressed themselves, unofficially, branding the situation as deplorable. The possession of a Senior sweater is an honor to be gained only by three years of hard work, and is a symbol achievement, so say the Senior sages.

The Freshman have little to say in reply but they have shown themselves to be adroit second story men if the gull is ever placed definitely upon them.

A man who is always looking back can see where he was, but not where he will be.—Altoona Mirror.

BOOKS

"In our schools we spend literally millions of dollars to equip laboratories, kitchens, carpenter shops, machine shops and what not, to be used each by a small part of the pupils for a small part of the school day. For books, the essential tools of every form of acquisition, we spend, outside of new books, a few paltry thousands. Of all teaching laboratories there is one which is plainly of supreme importance—that of books. Print, gathered in a library properly indexed and kept up to date is simply the master key to the world's advance."

John Cotton Dana.

One of W. T.'s greatest needs is adequate library facility.

COLLEGES PLAN TO FIX CREDIT FOR MAIL STUDY

WACO MEETING RESULTS IN
ORGANIZATION OF EXTENSION
PROFESSORS

DR. H. K. TAYLOR OF S. M. U. IS CHAIRMAN

Topics of Value in Correspondence
Work Discussed by Delegates to
First Session of New Body

Mrs. T. V. Reeves, director of the Public Service Bureau, attended the convention of the Extension Teachers' Association at Waco, January 11. Standardization of correspondence work by colleges throughout the state is made possible by the permanent organization perfected at this meeting.

Permanent officers were elected and formal organization of the Texas Association of Extension Teachers and Administrators of Texas Universities and Colleges was the order of business at the afternoon session Monday at the Raleigh Hotel. Many of the leading universities and colleges of the state were represented.

Dr. H. K. Taylor of the Southern Methodist University, Dallas, was elected president of the new association. Mrs. Reeves was chosen as secretary of the organization and also appointed on the committee which will draft a constitution for the organization. A. C. Ferguson of Commerce and L. O. Campbell of Simmons University, Abilene, were appointed on the rules committee with Mrs. Reeves.

Fifteen colleges, all offering extension work, sent representatives to the meeting, evidencing the interest throughout the state in this type of college work. Five of the Teachers Colleges were represented, Stephen F. Austin, Nacogdoches, East Texas, Commerce, Southwest Texas, San Marcos, North Texas, Denton, and West Texas, Canyon.

Topics discussed at the meeting included the number of hours credit to be given for correspondence work, and as to whether correspondence courses could be counted as residence work.

Mrs. Reeves visited the extension department of S. M. U. and found that hundreds of students were doing work in extension classes at Dallas Y. M. C. A. S. M. U. offers correspondence work from high school to graduate students in International Law. The majority attending these classes work during the day in Dallas offices and attend the school at night.

The annual business meeting of the Dallas Y. M. C. A. was visited by Mrs. Reeves. She reports that the Y. M. C. A. building in Dallas is the most beautiful and best equipped for its work of any in the United States.

RULES FOR AGGIE CONTEST LISTED

Rules for the coming Panhandle-Plains Vocational Agricultural Students Judging Contest are soon to be sent out by Professor T. M. Moore of the College agriculture department. Professor Moore is general superintendent of this contest. These rules are identical with the State Contest rules with few exceptions. One very important new feature is the contest in shop work. The boys are to compete in four phases of their agricultural work: (1) stock judging, (2) grain judging, (3) poultry judging, and (4) shop work, the latter being added to the contest for the first time. The Panhandle-Plains contest is to be held about two weeks before the State Contest.

Last year something like 170 boys took part in this contest and it is speculative as to whether there will be any less number this year because of the influence of Texas Tech on the south plains.

The college team won first place in the state judging contest last year. The team of three boys, George Love, James Oden, and Everett Sherman, raised the standing of the College in the agriculture circles of the state.

Students in agriculture are working now to win a place on this team. Out of the 50 students trying for the team 8 or 10 will be selected, but only four will make the trips. Try-outs for membership of this team will be held about the first of February.

Voters to Choose Celebrities for Le Mirage Section at Election Today—Plea Made for Support

Voting Starts This Morning on College Celebrities;
Contest Promises Little Excitement as Only
Two Tickets Are Posted.

DRAMATIC CLUB SEES NEW PLAY

Mrs. Braudt's "The Blunder" Draws Approval
From Art Class

Mrs. Cora Lee Braudt presented "The Blunder," a short one act play, in the Dramatics Club Wednesday afternoon. The play was written and directed by Mrs. Braudt and was very effectively produced by members of the club.

The inspiration or background for the play came from a joke published in some current magazine, and Mrs. Braudt handled her material in such a way as to make its dramatic value as a farce comedy unquestionable, both from the standpoint of the dialogue and dramatic technique.

This is the first of several plays written by Mrs. Braudt, and quoting Professor Osgood, "Her work is very commendable and if given the proper contact, she will be a well-known playwright in future years." Other instructors in the departments of Public Speaking and English are very much elated over this production, thinking that this will be the first of a number of plays written by students of W. T. S. T. C.

Along with editorials, news stories, feature stories, poems, essays, and other forms of composition, one act plays are sent to the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association contests each year. The West Texas State Teachers College has made a very commendable showing in previous years in most of these phases of literary work, but has made little progress in playwriting.

"Something should be done to create more interest in play writing," said Mr. Bryan, of the Public Speaking department. "We hear much about visualization in education. Playwriting furnishes an avenue of visualizing and studying actual life, and in submitting plays, the students will not only develop their own literary abilities, but will help W. T. S. T. C. to gain higher literary recognition among the Colleges of Texas."

Judges for Poetry Contest Announced

Judges for the annual Southern Methodist University national poetry contest will be Witter Byner, Hervey Allen and Lizette Woodward Reese for the \$100 American undergraduate prize, and Lew Sarratt for the \$50 Texas undergraduate prize. Dr. Jay B. Hubbell, head of the English department and director of the contests, announced Monday. The contest closes March 15, 1926, and is open to all undergraduates in American colleges.

Work on College Life Going Slowly

Work of the editors of "Le Mirage" has progressed slowly, due to lack of response from the students. Many plans have been made, but can not be completed until more material is submitted. Pictures of the halls, of the Oasis, the Buffalo, or anywhere on the campus can be used, especially those showing "corridor courses" in progress, or of close associates. Over-emphasis has been placed on the pictorial character of this section, jokes and witty sayings will be accepted.

This is one division of "Le Mirage" that belongs to every student in College and the representation of phases of student life will depend upon the interest shown.

Any club or group securing adequate material will be given a separate page, and will be permitted to assist in making it up. For instance the one handling the pictures in should be better prepared to choose a title for the page, since he knows the circumstances under which the snaps were taken, than the College Life Editors.

If you have negatives of pictures that could be used for this section but do not have the snaps, a loan of the negatives is asked for. These will be returned.

ANNUALS MAY BE PURCHASED TODAY

ORDERS FOR LE MIRAGE WILL
BE ACCEPTED UP UNTIL 4
P. M. BY MANAGER

College Celebrities will be elected to-day under the auspices of the staff of Le Mirage. Two tickets have been posted.

Under the rules of the contest each student in the College is entitled to one vote. One extra vote will be given each individual who had his picture made at the time scheduled. Five extra votes will be given each purchaser of Le Mirage.

Two tickets are in the field sponsored by the Cousins and Sesame Literary Society and the Freshman Class. The Cousins-Sesame ticket nominates Margaret Good as Freshest Freshman, Johnetta Anderson as Sanest Sophomore, Mr. and Mrs. Irby Carruth for Jolliest Junior, Fannie Cash as Sagest Senior, for the class candidates. Miss Amy Daniel is on the Cousins-Sesame ticket for the Most Valuable Girl to the College and Ray Daniel as the Most Valuable Man.

The Freshman ticket lists Delbert Lowes for Freshest Freshman, Ward Golden for Sanest Sophomore, Mr. and Mrs. Irby Carruth for Jolliest Junior, and Fannie Cash for the Sagest Senior. Miss Fay Lockhart is a candidate on the Freshman ticket for the Most Valuable Girl and Weldon Thompson is being run as the Most Valuable Man.

Miss Amy Daniel, editor of Le Mirage, announced that voters are not forced to vote a straight ticket but may cast ballots for people from each of the two tickets. Votes will be accepted for candidates who have not been nominated on any ticket, also, said Miss Daniel.

The polls are open at this time and will close late this afternoon. Students will be allowed the five votes for purchases of Le Mirage made to-day.

ART CLUB FORMED FOR FIRST TIME

Thirty-One Members At
Present From Student Ranks

Art students formed an Art Club on last Tuesday, November 9. Miss Robinson, professor of Art, sponsored the new organization. The following officers were elected: Miss Robinson, sponsor; Mabel McQueen, president; Vera Denton, vice president; Mamie Landrum, secretary-treasurer; Goldia Brumley, publications representative.

The permanent meeting time and place of the club was set for each Tuesday night at 7 o'clock in room 206.

The purpose of the organization is to sponsor exhibitions, to develop individual hobbies, and to study the works of modern artists.

The Art Club consists of thirty-one members and eight honorary members. The honorary members are: Mr. Osgood, Mrs. Sheffy, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Bryan, Mrs. Fry, Mrs. Henry Gamble, Miss Boulware, and Mrs. J. A. Hill.

The members have been working on crafts and sketchings, and various other things. This is the first time a club of this kind has been organized in this institution, and the Art students are striving to make it a permanent and worthwhile club.

College Calendar

TUESDAY
Chapel—Music department.
7:00—Art Club meets at home of Mrs. John Fry.
WEDNESDAY
Chapel—Rev. Charles G. Kelley.
4:30—Y. W. C. A.
THURSDAY
4:30—Y. M. C. A.
FRIDAY
8:00—Miss Brigham in piano recital accompanied by Mr. Clark.
SATURDAY
Chapel—Music Department.
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College Band

(an editorial)

In spite of the fact that a band is often thought of as a crowd of gaily uniformed men stiffly marching down the street blowing themselves red in the face on a variety of large and small horns and making a conglomerate mass of noise that can be heard a mile, the largest proportion of schools and colleges have seen fit to establish and maintain bands.

Band playing is something besides blowing into long coil of brass tubing and working valves and lips in accordance with dots on a system of five lines, or band work would never have reached the high degree of perfection that it has. There is as much technique combined with band work as there is in any orchestral or symphonical organization and as much real harmony can come from it as from any other instrumental combination.

Ball games and all forms of contests are often won because of an appropriate piece played by a band at the right time. This may not be true here, but it could be if there was enough support to justify additional energy along this line.

Aside from the main purpose for which a band is maintained it is largely an institutional organization working for the college in a way no other organization can and advertises it to people that would not otherwise be reached. The band also tries to do its part in pep demonstrations and to promote appreciation of high-class music in the student body and community on concert occasions.

—A. Bandit.

THE AFTERGLOW

Did you ever think that the sunset hour
Was the loveliest hour of the day,
When the colors blend—red, purple and gold—
Then gradually fade away?

Did you ever wonder what master-hand
Could have made it so perfect a way,
Such a splendid picture in colors so bright?
'Tis "The Afterglow of Day."

It's a picture that grips our inmost souls,
It speaks of peace and rest,
And finds response in the heart of man—
This painting across the west!

When the light has faded, when day is done
And the twinkling stars appear
Still the glory lingers, a memory
That recalls the things so dear.

When the twilight shadows of evening fall,
And we end all the toil and strife,
May the colors blend just as perfectly
In the Afterglow of our life!
—Thelma Duke.

BISON BULL
(PEDIGREED BRAND)

By Squint

Dear Ma:

Won't you please send us a library when you send us a science building, for we need one worse than Jesse James ever needed a horse. We are cramped into a library room that will accommodate eighty, and there are seven hundred of us. All we need to be pickled when we attempt to check out a book is the application of a few quarts of linseed oil. Immediately upon the sounding of the three-thirty gong, the rush for a book in the library closely resembles a band of starving Armenians fighting over a basket of hamburgers. The Christmas shopping rush is a forty-two party compared to our efforts to secure a book. Conditions are awful, Ma, and all the girls carry batpins for protection. We are so crowded in there the other day that one boy blew his handkerchief on somebody else's nose, and never realized his mistake. The other day a stranger within our walls came upon the library stampede and thought he was witnessing an old fashioned southern lynching.

Lovingly, your little boy,
W. T. S. T. C.

One: Every time I breathe, somebody dies.
Another: Why don't you try Listerine?

Charleston, North Carolina

Well, we ought to be satisfied, we borrowed our Jazz music from the Hawaiian and South Sea Islander, and now we hear that this new shindig, the Charleston, originated on the dark continent, Africa herself. They say the black boys used to gang around the campfire where the pig was roasting, and shake a mean fallen arch. They had practically the same steps that the Charleston dancers do in our own country, and added a few variations for the sake of the staccato-tom-tom rhythm. Then the Senegambians brought this spine twisting, shin barking, nerve racking shuffle to the thirteen colonies, nursed it along, and the civilized white borrowed it to fit his modern music in 1925.

Freshman Felt—Senior Wool

You've probably noticed ere now that several freshmen have been made happy by the return of their headgear, and that several seniors are again restored to their condition of platonic felicitude by the return of their all-wool sweaters. This practice of purloining one another's clothes is indicative of a healthy class spirit, but it's decidedly dangerous, so some other

means of enjoying ourselves must be developed. The Students' Council is responsible for the return of these goods, so doff your caps and sweaters to them, folks.

This summer when the semi-violent earthquake shook certain portions of the Panhandle, a rather amusing incident occurred in White Deer. The quake came early in the morning, and shook rather violently the bed of one Dick Hughes, a native of that city. He turned over in his bed upon feeling the quake, and said, "All right, mama, I'll be up in a minute."

He Paid Off

Professor Barnett tells this one: a Kansas tax assessor forced a man to pay a tax on his little boy's pet goat because the law read thusly: "all property running and abutting on the state highway shall be taxable."

Ikey: Give me a sentence with the word "viaduct."
Cohen: He threw a tomato at me, and that's viaduct.—Bowdoin Bear Skin.

Lies—White and Otherwise

Are all lies really harmful? Are there times when lies will really serve a useful purpose and work toward the good? They are to some people an "ever present help in time of need." Little compliments, insincere well-wishes, and "white lies" are present on every hand, and seem to be harmless at the time. The whole danger lies in one of two outcomes, one of which is that you may form the habit of lying, which is harder to break than a three year old mustang, and the other is that you may cause some person to count you a better friend than you really are, only to be disappointed and find you untrue when tested. Is anybody hurt by a lie which strengthens a disheartened listener's confidence in himself, and brings joy to the sad in heart? Is it useful, or is it even honest? Could a person get the same result with other words of commendation? We thank you.

Eula Smalley and Louise Walker Presented in Open Recital

Misses Eula Smalley and Louise Walker were presented by the Department of Music in a very delightful song recital Friday afternoon at Cousins Hall. The program was a combination of both classical and modern songs such as "Farewell," "His Coming," and "Out of My Soul's Great Sadness," from Franz, and "A Birthday" from Woodman, by Miss Smalley and "The Shepherd's Lament" and "Faith in Spring" from Schubert, and "Phyllis" from Whelpley by Miss Walker. The duets from Mendelssohn and Rubenstein were representative of the type of work the young ladies can do so well. The skillful accompaniment of Mr. Clark aided the singers in their interpretations of the songs. It is rare that one finds young singers able to give such a varied program of both classical and modern songs. The recital was thoroughly enjoyed by

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the large and appreciative audience of college and townspeople.

The Music Department appreciates the courtesy extended them by Mrs. Witt in the use of Cousins Hall which is truly a delightful place for such occasions.

Seniors Enjoy Oyster Supper at Cafe

Forty Seniors enjoyed a four-course oyster supper Thursday evening at the Palace Cafe Tea Room. The class colors of red and white were carried out in table decorations and the streamers suspended from the ceiling.

An extremely dignified but varied program was sandwiched in between courses. D. A. Shirley, toastmaster, first introduced Ray Daniel, president of the class, who delivered a welcome address "To the Eats."

T. M. Clark discussed the subject "Anything," including flappers. L. F. Sheffy gave a most serious argument, submitting proof for the proposition that "behind every human act there is some philosophic motive." The assembled body voted upon the question and decided that the collection of jokes just heard was ample proof of the question.

Miss Betty Smalley gave a reading, and Ann Mansell "told on" the sage Seniors.

Senator J. W. Reid was the last speaker on the program. He outlined patriotic problems that college men and women will have to meet in the next few years.

The party joined hands and sang the Alma Mater at the conclusion of the program.

Mrs. J. A. Hill, Mrs. L. F. Sheffy, and Miss Jennie C. Ritchie were guests of the class.

Surgeons are now able to lower a camera into a person's stomach and take photographs there. We may yet see moving pictures of an ice cream cone meeting a dill pickle.—Chicago News.

The acid test of public interest in radio religious services will come with the invention of a receiving set that will receive the offerings.—Congregationalist.

What Congress needs is more concrete laws and less concrete heads.

LOST!

A man's old Gold Elgin watch. Finder return to Jean McRee, Randall Hall, and receive reward.

A QUESTION OF SERVICE

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Campus Society And Club Activities

Many Girls Visit Over Week-End

The following girls from Randall Hall spent the week end out of town: Faye Jordan, Mary Frances Miller, Johanna Tolk, and Gladys Buchanan in Amarillo; Lonnie Witherspoon, Ethel Rice, and Benlah Lee Rutherford in Hereford; Helen Madden at home in Memphis; Hazel Kayler is attending the League Conference at Tulsa; Nola Brumley and Opal Cox at Miss Brumley's home in Hereford; Pauline Ray and Ethel Donnell at Miss Ray's home in Hereford.

The following Cousins Hall girls spent the week end in Amarillo: Ina May Hopkins, Johnnie Landis, Wanda Vincent, Wilida Neely, Ruth Forbess, June Kollaer, Elizabeth Chandler, Louise Palmer, Virginia Griggs.

Miss Hattie M. Anderson spent Saturday in Amarillo.

Rev. H. M. Terry was in Lubbock and Lamesa Thursday and Friday on business.

Miss Helen Surber, harpist with the De Marco Hays Ensemble from Chicago, spent Saturday with Maurice and Loraine Terry. She returned that evening to Fort Worth where her company had an engagement.

Y. M. C. A. Chooses Officers for Term

The organization of the Young Men's Christian Association of the College completed its organization last Wednesday night. The meeting was begun by a short prayer. Mr. Pierce then talked to the boys concerning the purpose and ideals of the organization, as well as the duty of the officers that were to be elected. After considerable explanation of the duties and merits of the different offices, the following officers were elected:

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| President | Pierce |
| Vice President | Powell |
| Secretary | Devin |
| Treasurer | Barker |
| Chairman Program Com. | Terry |
| Annual representative | Oden |
| Prairie representative | West |

There will be a meeting of the Y. M. next Thursday at 4:30 p. m. All men of the College who are interested in the upbuilding of the fellowship of the College are urged to come out and join a group of men who are trying to do such.

Home Ec. Elects Veda Swafford Leader

The Home Economics Club met on Monday, January 11, for the purpose of electing officers and outlining to some extent the quarter's work.

The new president, Veda Swafford, made some interesting suggestions and to quote her: "We are little bottles of pep and all we need is something to release us."

Last quarter we had a social after each program or business meeting—with different members of the club acting as hostesses. At one meeting, one of the Foods classes surprised the club with a buffet supper. At another, we experienced an interesting hike.

The biggest project of the quarter was our Christmas box, which we filled out and sent to the Children's Home in Amarillo.

We had several interesting and beneficial speakers on our programs at various times. One of these was Miss Hudspeith who gave us the social and home ideals of the Spanish Girl's Home in a most realistic way.

World Court Problem at Antler Meet

If the World Court question was to have been decided by the arguments that were presented in the meeting of the Antler Literary Society last Wednesday night it would be hard to decide whether the United States would be justified in adhering to it. The arguments on the question raged pro and con for a long time and the battle ended without deciding to have the United States either join or not to join the court. Such argument was presented that it was definitely shown that interest is daily rising in the Intercollegiate debate question.

President Thompson gave a short description of the Methodist Young Peoples Convention that he attended during the Christmas holidays. A short business session followed the program.

Kerrs Entertain Y. W. C. A.

The Young Women's Christian Association enjoyed a social hour in the home of Mrs. Kerr last Wednesday afternoon at 4:30. Friendship was the subject of the devotional read by Madge Day. A very delightful story of college girl life was told by Miss Richardson. Miss Richardson made the story so real that it might have happened to any girl present. Then all the girls joined in a "sing song." The hour had passed all too soon. The meeting was closed with sincere expression of enjoyment in the hours of entertainment.

Cousins Hear Canadian Politics Talk

Members of the Cousins Literary Society enjoyed the splendid program given at their regular meeting Wednesday evening, Jan. 13. "Girls," a song composed by Mrs. Charlotte Word was sung by Ira Powell. Willie McCarty gave a reading and Orland Turner discussed the political situation of our northern neighbor, Canada.

Eugene Kistler and Willie McCarty were appointed to work with C. W. West as a program committee.

Elapheians Install Officers on Call Session

Miss Ruth Lowes conducted a call meeting of the Elapheian Literary Society, Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, for the purpose of installing the officers for the winter quarter.

"Girls," a popular song composed by a former Elapheian, was sung very strikingly by Vida Savage and Josephine Dufort.

All Elapheians were urged to try out for the oratorical contest, and if interested to turn their names over to Miss Hazel Mathis.

Senior High Re-elects Thomas

Much enthusiasm was shown by the senior high school class Wednesday morning at a meeting for the election of officers.

Virgil Thomas was asked to again fill the office of president, with Nonnie Myers as vice president. Ben Mosely was chosen chairman of the social committee. The rest of the officers of the fall term were asked to retain their places. Mr. Thomas, the president, reports a full program for the term with a good time expected by all.

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Code of Ethics For Texas Teachers

A Code of Ethics for Texas Teachers has been adopted by the Executive Committee of the Texas State Teachers' Association. The Code is a sincere plea of the greatest in the teacher to strive to bring out the best in the children of Texas.

The text of the Code, as adopted by the T. S. T. A., in January, 1924, follows:

To teach the children of America aright is to guarantee the happiness of the people and the successful perpetuity of our government. This important task has been entrusted to the public free school system with its thousands of teachers. Those who engage in this great service must not only be trained technically and professionally for their duties, but they must possess those qualities of heart and mind that will insure that they themselves are worthy and patriotic citizens whose leadership will lift the level of human ideals and achievements a little higher than they found them.

Having dedicated my life to service in this vocation, I recognize that it is my duty as a teacher:

1st. To regard my profession as worthy and dignified, and as affording me an unusual opportunity to serve the present and future generations.

2nd. To work continuously to elevate the standards of the teaching profession, and to affiliate actively with the professional organizations thereof—local, state and national.

3rd. To improve myself physically, mentally, morally, and professionally, that I may give the very best service possible to the boyhood and girlhood of America.

4th. To adopt that my first and highest obligations are due not to myself or to the school officials, but to those who are being taught; and to agree that any doubtful ethical procedure be settled on the basis of its contribution to this primary obligation.

5th. To take a personal interest in the progress of each pupil and seek to know his parents and to understand his home environment.

6th. To regard it as a binding obligation to go before every class prepared in subject matter and with definite objectives laid out for the guidance of my pupils in profitable work.

7th. To refuse to take advantage of my position as a teacher to make a financial profit on sales of any kind whatsoever, or to coach pupils of my own classes for pay, without special permission of school authorities.

8th. To be loyal to my supervisors and fellow teachers so long as I remain a member of any organizations with them.

9th. To give the fullest co-operation to those in positions of administration, and to extend to them the benefit of doubt in matters of policy.

10th. To refuse to criticize fellow teachers or predecessors in the presence of pupils or patrons, or to bear tales from one teacher to another or to the administration about another teacher, unless the best interest and well-being of the school demands such action.

11th. To consider it unprofessional to interfere in any way in matters of discipline between another teacher and pupil.

12th. To refuse to underbid a rival applicant in order to secure a position, and to refuse to apply for a position until a vacancy has been announced.

13th. To be willing at all times to encourage and to help another teacher by giving information or counsel as long as in so doing it does not become detrimental to myself or interfere with my obligations to those I teach.

14th. To organize properly and

Tuning In With West Texas Exes Everywhere

Cora Mae Haley Marries

The marriage of Miss Cora Mae Haley of Midland and W. A. Clark occurred December 23rd. The bride was a popular student here in 1923-24 and 1924-25, and is the sister of J. Evetts Haley, editor of Le Mirage, 1925. Mr. Clark is an ex-student of the University of Oklahoma. He is now employed as an geologist by a company operating in West Texas.

Friena Faculty Has Many Exes

The public school of Friena boasts of number of W. T. S. T. C. ex-students on its faculty. They are Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Buckner, Preston Robinson, Kenneth Sherer, Miss Fern Bowman, Carmen and Grace Brewer, and Mrs. Jerry Mallin. The Friena school has been consolidated for sometime and is serving a large and progressive community which appreciates the work Superintendent Buckner and his staff are doing.

P. M. Bailey Sponsors Miami Seniors

P. M. Bailey, familiarly known as Jack, is sponsor of one of the largest senior classes ever graduated by the Miami high school. There are twenty-three in the class, and of this number fourteen are boys. Mr. Bailey is teacher of English and public speaking. He was a member of last year's student body here.

Ruth Cowser Haberier Dies

Mrs. Roy Haberier, formerly Miss Ruth Cowser, passed away at her home near Dimmitt, Tuesday, Jan-

uary 12. She is survived by her husband and three small children. Mrs. Haberier was a student here in the fall of 1920.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Foster of Hereford were Canyon visitors recently. They are both ex-students of this institution. Mrs. Foster was Miss Viola Vetesk before her marriage.

Miss Frances Melugin writes an interesting letter concerning her work at Archer City where she is teaching this winter. One of the big projects which she helped sponsor was a community tree on Christmas Eve. She is delighted with her work at Archer City. Miss Melugin was a student here last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ficke and little son, who live near Claude, were Canyon visitors last week. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ficke are ex-students. Mrs. Ficke was formerly Miss Hanna Swearingen, an assistant on the library staff.

Miss Ora Me Robbins, who left school last fall because of ill health, is recuperating at her home in Floydada. Her many friends hope to hear soon of her complete recovery.

Miss Alma Guenther is teaching history in the Central High School at Houston. She tells her Canyon friends that she is always glad to get the Prairie and delights in reading it each week. It comes to her through the High School library.

Misses Elizabeth Neely and Jean Vetesk of Amarillo visited friends and attended the ball game Friday night.

LOST—Man's old gold Elgin watch. Reward offered to finder. Jean McRee, Randall Hall.

leave for my successors such information, data, and records as may be needed in beginning the next year's work.

15th. To regard myself, when elected to a position, as the permanent incumbent until due and proper notice is given by the board of its intention to replace me at the end of the session or until notice is given by me of a desire to resign.

16th. To refrain from "talking shop" in the presence of strangers or those not engaged in the profession.

17th. To give a full measure of service both inside and outside the class room without reservations or limitations because of salary.

18th. To regard it as unprofessional to sign a yearly contract to teach for a wage insufficient to cover legitimate expenses for twelve months.

19th. To regard my contract as sacred, and not to resign without the consent of the board unless the contract provides for an automatic release upon proper notice.

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SHEFFY FINDS VALUABLE DATA

Wheeler County Records Reveal Law Code of Old West

A record of pioneer life that is as interesting as it is historically valuable has been found by Professor L. E. Sheffy in the minutes of the Commissioners Court of Wheeler County, a document begun in 1879 when the county was organized.

Mr. Sheffy spent a part of the holidays in Wheeler collecting material for the history of the Panhandle which he is writing. The accuracy and detail with which the minutes were kept and the fact that Wheeler County was the first county of the Panhandle to be organized combine to make this a most excellent and important source for the new history.

The doings of the Commissioners Court in the old days when the Panhandle was a frontier country make reading as interesting as fiction. On one occasion, according to the minutes, a man appealed to the commissioners to refund his poll tax, declaring himself insane. The refund was made. The allowance for smoking and chewing tobacco for the prisoners in the county jail was explained also.

Wheeler County Court

At the time these entries were made in the minutes book, Wheeler County was the seat of justice for the whole Panhandle region. All legal matters had to be attended to there or at Fort Griffin in Shackelford County.

A keen sense of justice and enforcement of the law as it was seen by the pioneers was characteristic of the court proceedings. Mr. Sheffy finds. The sheriff might drink and the jury might gamble—and such things were frequently done—yet the officials had a peculiar code of honor and fair play to which they adhered strictly. If a man killed another in a fair fight, where both parties had equal chances, he might go unpunished. But let him sneak upon a defenseless neighbor and harm him, and he was given the limit of the law.

To Visit Fort Griffin

Mr. Sheffy plans to visit Fort Griffin soon to look for material. The annals of Fort Griffin, like those of Wheeler County, show the very beginning of settlement of this western country.

It was in Fort Griffin that the Texas Cattle Raisers Association was permanently organized in 1877. On that occasion were gathered 5,000 cowboys, a cosmopolitan group of Irish, Jew, English, Mexican, and plain American representing ranches from the surrounding territory extending to the Mexico line. The main feature of the convention was a tournament, a sport which demanded splendid horsemanship, a quick eye, and manual skill. With his horse running at top speed, the participant held a seven foot pole high and with it took iron rings from posts placed yards apart. Another favorite entertainment of the gun-totin' cowboys was shooting out lights in saloon or restaurant.

Development of Ranches

The development of ranches is another phase of history on which Mr. Sheffy is working. Old-timers he has talked with told him how the unbroken prairie land was made into large ranches, then was fenced into smaller ones, later was reorganized into large ones by English capitalists, was divided into small tracts again, and at last was made into farms for diversified crops.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

The man who feels important seldom is.

Things you want most are generally not for sale.

The life of a fashionable girl is just beaches and bleaches.

Hill Speaks at Commerce Program

(Continued from page one)

serve into a study and solution of an adequate rural school system." President Hill was the first speaker on the lengthy program that featured the dedication and general celebration at the East Texas State Teachers College, President S. F. Whitley was formally inaugurated as the successor of former-president R. B. Binnion.

Ten o'clock.
A. C. Ferguson, Dean of Faculty, Teachers College, Commerce, presiding.

Invocation—Rev. J. A. Roper, Pastor First Baptist Church.
Greeting to East Texas State Teachers College.

J. A. Hill, President West Texas State Teachers College, for the State Teachers Colleges.

J. M. Bledsoe, President Texas State Teachers Association, for the Public School Teachers.

Music—Glee Club.
Mrs. E. E. Maloney, Ex-President Federated Clubs Third District, for the Federated Club Women of Texas.

W. M. W. Splawn, President of the University of Texas, for other Institutions of Learning.

Mrs. C. E. Maddox, President of the Parent-Teachers Association of Texas, for the fathers and mothers of Texas.

Vocal Solo—Miss Evelyn Flinty. Greetings—From delegates for various Colleges.

Two o'clock.
A. C. Ferguson, Dean of Faculty, Teachers College Commerce, presiding.

Invocation—Rev. J. A. Old, Pastor First Methodist Church.

Address—Hon. Eugene Blount, member Texas Legislature.

Address—Dr. R. B. Binnion, Provost George Peabody College.

Address, introducing the Governor—Hon. O. C. Mulkey, Commerce.

Address—Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson, Governor of Texas.

Address—Hon. James E. Ferguson, Ex-Governor of Texas.

Chorus—Glee Club.
Dedication—Installation Address—Miss Margie E. Neal, Vice-President Board of Regents of Teachers Colleges.

Inaugural Address—Dr. Samuel H. Whitley, President of the College.

Benediction—Rev. J. G. M. Ramsey, Pastor First Presbyterian Church.

The following were delegates to the dedication:

Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville, President H. F. Estill; North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, President R. L. Marquis; Southwest Texas Teachers College, San Marcos, President C. E. Evans; West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, President J. A. Hill; Sul Ross State Teachers College, Alpine, President H. W. Morelock; Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College, Nacogdoches, President A. W. Birdwell; South Texas State Teachers College, Kingsville, President R. B. Cousins; University of Texas, President W. M. W. Splawn; Agricultural and Mechanical College, President T. O. Walton; Texas Technological College, President P. W. Horn; John Tarleton Junior Agricultural College, Dean J. Thomas Davis; North Texas Junior Agricultural College, Dean E. E. Davis; State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs; Baylor University, Dr. Charles D. Johnson; Southern Methodist University, Dr. J. F. Kimball; Baylor College, Belton, President J. C. Hardy; Trinity University, President John H. Burma; Texas Christian University, Prof. Raymond Smith; George Peabody College for Teachers, D. R. B. Binnion, and Louisiana State Teachers College, President V. L. Roy.

Some people don't have to turn out the light to be in the dark.

The people who can do as they please don't know what to do.

Students Council Proposes Placing Le Mirage on Tax

The Student's Council held its regular meeting for the month of January at 4:30 Thursday afternoon in room 211. In the absence of President Hill, the administration was represented by Professor R. P. Jarrett, associate dean.

Many questions were discussed; one of which was the matter of adding the price of an annual to the Blanket Tax and giving each student a copy of Le Mirage. It was decided that this be taken before the student body and that the students vote upon it. The Council also suggested that the pep of the college could be better organized and more effective if a man were elected to assist in leading the yells. The Council also went on record as favoring the massing of the men at every contest.

Senator Reid Boosts Memorial Coin Sale

Senator Reid talked to the students Tuesday at Chapel concerning the memorial coins that are being sold for the Stone Mountain Memorial; and its relation to Dixie. Senator Reid's talk was emotionally patriotic in which the spirit of the Sons of the South figured prominently.

Senator Reid commended very highly the valor and fidelity of the women of Dixie as well as the brave and democratic spirit of the men. "We might have been in the wrong in some respects," the Senator remarked, "but I don't see why the people of the North permitted the Negro to put his foot on the head of the South in the period of trouble and turmoil."

"We can forgive but we cannot forget," said Mr. Reid in closing.

Here's Winter as Forecast 700 Years Ago

(Chicago Tribune Press Service)

PARIS.—Thomas Joseph Moul, who lived and died at Saint-Denis during the early thirteenth century, was known as a weather prophet in his day, and after his death it was found that he had left weather predictions in Latin as far ahead as the year 2063. Three centuries later these predictions were translated into French by Nostradamus.

The forecast for the winter of 1925-26 follows:

"The winter of 1925 will be long and quite dry, there will be heavy frosts and a considerable amount of snow up to the end of January, after which time the thaw will bring an abundance of rain. The harvest of grain for the year will be fair and the price will be moderately high."

WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING

Chicago now claims more than 800 women barbers.

More than one-third of the Federal employees in Washington are women.

Notre Dame Church in Montreal, Canada, bars women garbed in knickers.

Bombay has opened a public library and reading room exclusively for women.

The British postal service employs more than 4,000 women as letter carriers.

Women staff an engineering works and direct a steel company in Greater London.

South Africa was the first country in the world to have registration for women nurses.

California has the highest minimum wage law for women workers of any State in the Union.

Statistics show that more than half the people in America who live to be 100 years of age are widows.

Mrs. Edith Williams, of Dallas, Texas, has announced her candidacy for Governor of the Lone Star State.

Miss Kebe Shigeno, one of the few Japanese women aviators, has petitioned the government for support of her plans to establish an aviation school for women in Japan.

DO'S AND DON'TS FROM THE ETIQUETTE BOOK

Never listen to any gossip from servants.
Thoughtfulness for others often constitutes politeness.
Use a note to express thanks for a gift. A calling card does not suffice.
When calling and finding a hostess and guest out, leave a card for each.
Send a prompt note of condolence and sympathy to any friend in trouble.
Never make a so-called witty remark that will wound another's feelings.
Let your escort descend the steps of the street car first, in order to assist you down.
When you are the hostess, dress somewhat more simply than your guests are likely to do.
Do not overstay at an afternoon tea. Always remember that the hostess has the dinner hour coming on.
A young woman or an unmarried woman waits for an invitation to call from a matron or older woman.
Ascend the stairs ahead of your escort, but descend them behind him, so that in case you fall he can assist you.
Make your calls in a business office as brief as possible. Do not expect a man, whom you have called on on business, to escort you to the door.
"There is but one virtue: to help human beings to a free and beautiful life; but one sin, to do them indifferent or cruel hurt; the love of humanity is the whole of morality. This is Goodness, this is Humanism, this is the Social Conscience."—J. William Lloyd.
"Your sole contribution to the sum of things is yourself."—Dr. Frank Crane.
Mrs. Katherine Nelson, of Jersey City, N. J., is the champion iron welder of the country.
A man doesn't care if his hair keeps on getting gray as long as it keeps on.
Hold fast to that which is good but not when there is something better.
Unfortunately a fellow cannot use his obituary notice as a recommendation.
Nowadays it seems to be dollars rather than sense that interests the world.
The trouble with most men is that they would rather depend upon pull than push.
A faulty cog can wreck a whole machine; a faulty employee, a whole organization.
There is no perfect man. The nearest approach is the one who acknowledges his faults.
Many a man cannot even do his duty without expecting to have bouquets thrown at him.
Many a fellow has been accepted by a girl just to keep some other girl from getting him.
A man is entitled to his share, but he has no right to try to separate another man from his.
When a fool and a wise man are together there is but one that has a chance to profit.—Baltimore Sun.

It's a "Turken"



C. V. Nepper of Randolph, Mass., has crossed a chicken and a turkey and exhibited the species called "Turken" at the New England poultry show last week. Poultry men say it is a very toothsome fowl for the dinner table.

Million Enough



J. S. Donovan of Boston when a poor boy vowed he would quit work if he ever accumulated a million dollars. He made his million in automobiles and on New Year's Day retired to take life easy. He is just 46.

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