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Attend Pep Rally
Thursday Evening

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BACK THE
HUSTLIN' BUFFS

Pep Rally To Honor Hustlin' Buffaloes

Buffs Play Second Game
In Albuquerque
Saturday Evening

Thursday evening, 7:30 p. m., in front of the Administration Building, W. T. will hold its first pep rally of the year.

The Buffalo Band, under the direction of Mr. Lewis Chamberlain, will also make its first public appearance.

Mary Hensley, who was a pep leader during the last football season at West Texas State will be in charge of the yell. All girls or boys interested in trying out for positions as yell leaders are asked to contact Miss Hensley at Cousins Hall to receive instructions for Thursday evening. An election will be held early this month to select permanent leaders.

October 7 the Buffaloes will be playing the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque, so it is hoped that this rally will be a big success and thus help the team in its second game of the season.

All students are urged to learn the Alma Mater and Buffalo Fight Song before Thursday. New yells and songs will be presented, and other rallies will follow if this one proves to be a success.

"Back the Buffaloes" by attending the pep rally Thursday evening, 7:30 p. m. at the main entrance to the Administration Building.

Freshman Announcements

Freshman Tests will be given in Room 203 from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock, beginning today, Tuesday.

All Freshmen who have not taken the tests must complete them this week.

Freshmen Lectures will be held Tuesday and Thursday at 4:30 p. m. in the Education Auditorium. All Freshmen who have not been excused are expected to attend the lectures.

Mrs. Ocoee Warden, primary supervisor in the Friona Public Schools, visited on the campus Saturday. She was on her way to Friona after attending a meeting of Delta Kappa Gamma in Plainview. Mrs. Warden has done graduate work at W. T. for the past two summers.

EXTENDS SYMPATHY
Sympathy is extended to Estelle, Winston, Garland, Ann, Edmund and Sidney Burgess whose father died Friday morning. All six of the Burgess sons and daughters have been students of the college and four are graduates.

"West Texas Wings" Are Mailed To Members of Senior Classes

Mailing List Has
20,000 Names

In September and October one of the big tasks of the college is securing mailing lists and preparing stencils for addressing the small publication, "West Texas Wings."

Two editions of "Wings" are mailed each of the nine school months of the year. One edition is sent to members of the senior classes all over the State of Texas, and the other edition goes to teachers and school administrators from Texline to Orange and from Texhoma to Brownsville. There are usually about 20,000 names on the mailing list.

Mailing "Wings" is a big undertaking. First, tiny stencils are cut, one for each of the 20,000 names. These are all arranged by post-offices. Each month the 20,000 stencils have to be run through the addressograph, and the package for each post-office has to be tied separately. An expert addressograph operator can address about 1000 pieces in an hour, it is said, but W. T. has never had an operator who could do more than 700, and most of the workers are able to do only about 500. When all the pieces are addressed and the packages tied, the boxes must be taken to the postoffice; each month's mailing weighs 100 pounds or more.

The mailing lists are secured through the co-operation of county superintendents, school superintendents and principals, and senior classes. Sometimes the lists that come in have with them letters of comment. One senior class president from a school in the north Panhandle wrote, "We all thought Wings worth while, and voted 100% to ask for it; we will be glad when our first copies come. Thanks."

Another interesting letter came from the Blind Institute; it said, "... the senior class would like very much to receive Wings." From Agua Dulce, in far south Texas, came a letter which said, "The senior class wishes to thank you for giving us a chance to have 'Wings' to read this year."

Superintendents approve of the

College Orchestra Wants More Bow Pullers

Do you pull a bow? No, not the kind that is attached to pigtales; that kind of pulling won't do a bit of good right now. If, however, you play a violin, a viola, a 'cello or a bass viol there is plenty that you can do—and have fun doing it.

What? Join the College Orchestra. How? See Dr. Wallace R. Clark in Room 101, or go to the orchestra meeting which is Tuesday at 1:40, or Thursday at the same hour. Don't put it off; get started with all others.

W. T. has always had an orchestra which plays good music in a way to please the critical; furthermore, playing in the orchestra has always furnished a good time and pleasant friendships for the members. Dr. Clark will be glad to see you today.

Corporal Smith Visits Campus Of Alma Mater

Cpl. Glenn "Smitty" Smith, who is a former student of West Texas State, visited the campus last Tuesday morning. In school in 1942-43, Corporal Smith was assistant band director to Mr. C. E. Strain, and prior to that date he was enrolled in North Texas State Teachers College. His major was music.

Corporal Smith is now stationed in the Amarillo Army Air Field.

Professor Murray Attends Meet Held in Lubbock

Professor C. A. Murray, head of the Mathematics Department was chosen by the American Mathematics Association as its representative at the ceremonies which were held Saturday at Texas Technological College, when Dr. W. M. Whyburn was installed as president of that institution.

Dr. Whyburn was formerly a professor of mathematics at Texas Tech. Mr. Murray has appeared on the programs of the organization which chose him as a representative.

It is the customer who is the waiter in the restaurant nowadays.

Le Mirage Staff Is Beginning Makeup Plans

Ferguson Heads Staff For Second Year

Yes, Annual? That is the main topic with a few of the students on the campus from last year. The book of last year as compared with the book-to-be this year; who is to head up the work; what is the cover to look like; who is going to make the pictures; how will the whole thing be put together; will it look good; and how is it to be printed? All these things and more come into the conversation at some time or another whenever the Annual is mentioned.

For the benefit of Freshmen and new students who have not heard, the annual is called Le Mirage. The staff as yet have only been tentatively named. Would you like to work with the staff? Get in on the ground floor and help make this the biggest and best and most meaningful annual in all your college and school careers.

The staff like all other staffs of such a publication, is headed by an Editor. This year, the position is filled by Kathryn Ferguson. Have you any suggestions to give that might help her? Leave them in the box in the office of the College Publications or give them to her in person.

The other editorial positions to be filled are that of the Associate Editor and the Assistant Editor. These, with the Business Manager, form what might be called the "Head" of the staff, and must all be filled by responsible people who have no fear of work.

The "arms, hands and fingers" of the staff are the Photography, Art and Makeup departments. The titles of the departments will give a general idea of the duties to be performed. If you have an interest and working knowledge of a camera, if you have a little experience, and especially if you have a great deal of experience, come and join our Photography staff. The Art department will need those who are the least bit clever with the creative idea. And in the Makeup group will be found the fellows and gals who really, honest-to-goodness, put the book together and so must be dependable, and have good flexible fingers.

The "brain and tongue" will work together in the sections called Copy and Rewrite. Copy is all the writing to be found in the book and so if you can wield words and manage sentences and place commas, periods, etc. see if this suits you. The rewrite section will proof-read, rewrite, file, and help in every department of the entire staff. General flunky, you say? Maybe so, but it requires a mighty smart flunky to do all that—eh?

Each section, department, and group will need between four and five guys and gals to make the organization function smoothly. Why don't you see the editor or Mary Ann Tyler, and volunteer?

War Chest Drive Begins Monday

The kick-off meeting of workers in the United War Chest will be held at the Canyon High School auditorium on Friday evening, October 6. The annual drive will begin the following Monday, and college students will have an opportunity to donate to this fund.

A program is being prepared for this meeting, which will be of interest to all workers in the campaign and other citizens of the county. All citizens are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

After inspirational talks on the necessity of the War Fund drive the workers in Canyon will be given supplies and instructions by Milton Morris. Mr. Morris is acting principal of the West Texas High School and instructor in vocational agriculture, and is head of the drive.

In view of the fact that the people of Randall county raised \$3,900 for this fund last year, the amount should be raised in a few days, and workers will canvass all parts of the county.

Friends Honor Lt. Alton Paul

Lt. Alton Paul, U. S. Army Air Corps, and his wife were honored Thursday evening by his parents at their home in Amarillo. Most of the guests were friends from Canyon, the family having lived here during Alton's high school and college days. Among those who were able to attend were Misses Novella Goodman, Jean Moore, M. Moss Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Murray, and Mrs. Charles Harter.

Lieut. Paul was a speech major; he received his degree in 1939.

Mary Ethel Adams of the class of 1920 is a member of the high school staff of the Monahans-Wickett Schools.

Seaman Johnson Is Pre-med Student in Navy

A recent letter from Sam Johnson S2c, stationed at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, states that he has received his copy of The Prairie telling of the opening of school. He says it seems strange not to be enrolling here as usual. This is the first semester he has missed since the fall of 1931 when he enrolled in the kindergarten of the Demonstration School. Johnson, who is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Johnson, was doing advanced work as a pre-med student when he enlisted in the navy last June.

So far all of his training has been in San Diego. He has applied for an assignment to a medical school. While action is pending on his application he has been assigned to work in the office of the Recruit Transfer Unit. He spends some of free time working on a correspondence course from W. T. He is also a member of several musical groups.

Another former W. T. student, Andy Walsh, Jr., is in the same barracks with Seaman Johnson. Seaman Walsh was home recently and visited friends on the campus.

Hills Attend Funeral of Near Relative

Tuesday President and Mrs. Hill received a telegram telling of the death of Mr. J. W. Shanklin, at Houston, and they left Wednesday morning to attend the funeral at Belton, which has been the home of members of the Shanklin family for several generations.

Mr. and Mrs. Shanklin were residents of Canyon for a number of years. Two of their three children are graduates of West Texas State; Louise, now Mrs. Ira Jenkins, was a Spanish major of the class of '27, and Evelyn, now Mrs. Gene Sealand, was an art major of the class of '32. Both live in Houston. Harold Shanklin, an ex-student, is an officer in the U. S. Navy and is somewhere in the Pacific; his wife lives in Canyon.

Mrs. Shanklin and Mrs. Hill are sisters.

Professor Green Will Present First Lyceum

Ex-student Acts As Barber In South Pacific

Return Trip Home Proves Profitable

Shows sponsored by the USO are presenting entertainment to the fighting men in every battle zone in the world. These shows help keep the boys in touch with America. Soldiers relax to the tunes of modern songs, they enjoy watching latest forms of dancing, and they laugh at the corny jokes. By no means does West Texas State lack representation in these places, where morale building is needed.

Although E. L. Dysart, Coxswain Mate, Second Class, didn't dance or sing when he was in the South Pacific, he did his share of duties, then occupied his spare time by cutting hair and making souvenirs. His trade was terrific.

Barbers were scarce in Guadalcanal, so he took his scissors in hand, and practiced his profession. Hair cuts help morale. With a good hair cut the boys felt like real Americans rather than like a primitive type of human being. To them, their personal appearance mattered, so they tried their best at all times to appear at their best.

But, when the boys started home, to the United States, the primping began. Coxswain Mate Dysart made \$215 cutting hair on his return trip home. In one day his net profits amounted to twenty-two dollars, fifty cents.

He graduated from West Texas State in 1942, and majored in agriculture. After graduating he was county agent at Hartley, and he expects to return to county agents

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Cook Addresses Rotary Club In Plainview

Dr. Harris M. Cook, 127th District Governor of Rotary Club is in Plainview today to address the Plainview Rotary Club. Tomorrow, he plans to be in Floydada, and Thursday, in Lockney, addressing their clubs.

Dr. Cook has already spoken to twenty-three Rotary clubs in this district, and plans to speak in various other towns.

Hostesses Help Dormitories Seem Like Home

Students who come to college and leave their home towns often find that it is difficult to leave their parents. Those coming to West Texas State are fortunate because their hostesses are soon their good friends. This week some of the hostesses of the dormitories are being introduced to the students.

New hostess at Cousins Hall is Mrs. Anne Wofford, who has been assistant hostess for eight years. Mrs. Wofford is assuming the duties of Mrs. Agnes C. Smith, who retired August 31 after serving eleven years at Cousins.

Mrs. Wofford's home is Cleburne, Texas. After majoring in mathematics in Polytechnic Institute in Fort Worth, she taught in the fifth and sixth grades in Plainview. She made her home in Plainview for twenty-seven years, where she reared three children Captain Clarence D. and First Lieutenant Wilbur, are both dentists and both are graduates of Baylor University. Captain Wofford was with the invasion of France, and Lt. Wofford is in the paratroopers stationed at Camp Forrest, Tennessee. Anne, who is a senior, is attending the University of Texas.

Mrs. Nancy McCaslin is the hostess for Randall Hall, and has been a resident of Canyon for a number of years. She became hostess of Randall in February, 1936.

Before coming to Canyon, she taught school, worked in an office, and was assistant Post Mistress in Colorado. She is the mother of three daughters.

All three are graduates of West Texas State College, Lois received her B. A. in English in 1934, Mary graduated in 1938 with a B. A. in Physical Education, and Beth received her degree in Speech in 1944. At the present all are teaching.

Mrs. Beulah A. Bell is hostess at Cactus Lodge. Mrs. Bell has had many years of experience at this type of work. She has been house mother of a sorority house in Albuquerque, and Tucson, Arizona.

"I think I have a grand group of girls this year, and they do all that they can to make the lodge run smoothly," said Mrs. Bell. She will be remembered by many students as hostess at Prairie Lodge, before it was converted into a boys lodging house.

Health Supervisor Announces Plans For Organization

Plans for the organization of student health activity under the supervision of Miss Hellen Hickman, college nurse, were announced last week.

The college Health Center is at 400 24th St., the white building just off the campus. The center is open daily until 4:00 p. m. for routine illnesses, but emergencies will be treated at any hour and there is always an attendant on duty to care for them.

The college physician will be at the infirmary from 1:30 to 2:30 for conferences. Any student who must see the doctor after these hours is asked to report first to the Health Center for a permit.

Freshmen and upperclassmen who have not made appointments for physical examinations which are required of all students are asked to report to the Health Center this week.

Miss Hickman commended students for their cooperation in reporting sickness and added that the response for all classifications of students was proving more than satisfactory.

Frances Armstrong, speech major of the class of 1938, is now a T-Sgt. in the Marine Corps Womens Reserve. At present she is working in the office of the paymaster, San Diego, Calif. She has requested The Prairie be sent to her.

Lt. Leo Cooper from Norman, Oklahoma is visiting with his wife in Canyon this week.

Reader Plans Varied Program

Activity Tickets Will Admit All Students

As the first Lyceum program for the year, Professor Charles Price Green, professor and chairman of the department of Speech in the University of Oklahoma, is scheduled for appearance in Canyon October 9, Monday evening at 8:15 o'clock. Professor Green will present a varied program of readings, including poems and stories.

This reader is responsible for the building of the department of speech in one of the best speech schools in the Southwest. His ability and wide experience make him well received by those who hear him. Professor Green has directed plays and has written a three-act play which he produced. His poetry has been published in poetry magazines; occasionally during his programs he reads his own works.

Formerly a member of the Western Reserve, Professor Green is a native Oklahoman.

Mr. Jack Douglas, speech professor at West Texas State, has studied under Professor Green and he commented, "He is one of the finest readers that I have ever heard. He knows his material and presents it in an enviable fashion."

Professor Green is a guest speaker in Amarillo, and will come to Canyon for the address to be given Monday evening in the auditorium of the Education Building. All students will be admitted to the program by showing their activity tickets and residents of Canyon are cordially invited to attend this program.

Interesting Work Taken by People In Correspondence

Many people who take correspondence courses from W. T. S. C. find their work more interesting than they had anticipated; typical of these is Mrs. Lionel Gaines of Cactus Ordnance Works, Dumas, who writes, "When I enrolled for Government 241C I didn't realize what a worthwhile course it is. I thought it was intended only to meet teaching requirements in Texas. Its scope is so broad I feel sure it will stand me in good stead to have three semester hours credit in this course instead of two. I am enclosing a check for \$5.00 and trust that you will allow me to make the change."

Mrs. Gaines was permitted to take the course for three semester hours credit. It is hoped that her acquaintance with W. T. will result in her becoming a graduate student here.

Mrs. Knott Joins Music Staff

The Music Department of West Texas State College is very fortunate in having Mrs. A. K. Knott as new instructor of piano. She has fifteen pupils in piano, both high school and college, whom she teaches every afternoon in the practice house.

Mrs. Knott's Alma Mater is the University of Colorado. Under the supervision of Mr. Mark Wessell, Mrs. Knott was a piano student in the University. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Romance Languages. Her first piano teacher was Prof. Ryan, a German, who wanted her to develop her exceptional talent abroad. Mrs. Knott has also had extensive study with Miss Mary Reynolds in Denver.

Mrs. Knott enjoys teaching all ages of students, but she affirms that music has always been more of a hobby with her than a profession. The music of Beethoven and Chopin are of great interest to her, but her favorite compositions are so many that she can't specify one.

Pvt. J. N. Cooper writes from Truax Field, Madison, Wisconsin, that he expects soon to change his address and that he does not know what his new address will be. He is asking that his name be taken from The Prairie mailing list until he again notifies the paper of his address. He adds "Thanks very much for the past copies, I have enjoyed each and every one."

BAND NOTICE!

Try-outs for drum major and majorettes will be held in the Band House, Thursday evening at 6 p. m. All students, both girls and boys who are interested in either twirling or being drum major are invited to attend this meeting.



"I never had a pistol in my hand before last November," said the "Pistol Packin' Mama of the Waves, Lt. Mabel Joan Jones, of Quail, one of the four women in the Fourth Naval District to qualify as an expert pistol shot. She is officer-in-charge of the cafeteria at the Aviation Supply Office-Naval Depot, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lieutenant Jones is a graduate of West Texas State College in '35 with a major in Home Economics; before graduating she taught. She was a diligent worker in school and studied hard. She has her M. A. Degree from Kansas State College.

In March, 1943, she entered the Navy, and for the past year has been stationed in her present assignment. Her previous experience as dietician at Colorado State College has served her well in her present position.

When quizzed about her knowledge of small arms, she admitted that she knew nothing about them. She has learned to shoot as a Navy

WAVE and fellow-officers will place her marksmanship alongside any Texas gunman.

Despite the vicinity of Quail, near Wellington, being famed for the birds from which the town derives its name, Lieutenant Jones never cared much for hunting. Officers kidded her about being from Texas and kept asking if she was a "Texas Pistol Packin' Mama." She decided to look into such possibilities and joined the class sponsored last November. Pupils had to shoot a score of 210 out of a possible 240 (48 rounds of ammunition) in order to qualify as an expert pistol shot.

She qualified with a score of 214 and received her medal a few weeks ago. There is no more kidding of Lieutenant "Tex" Jones by navy personnel or officers.

Lieutenant Jones was non-committal about whether she will continue target shooting as a hobby after the war. She says, "This is strictly a war-time activity to me, but it may come in handy sometime."

Students' Official Newspaper

A weekly newspaper published every Tuesday except holidays or examination periods by the Students' Association of West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, Texas. Entered on November 21, 1919, as second-class matter at the post office in Canyon, Texas, under the act of March 8, 1879.

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You Can Help Build West Texas State

Our College has reason to be gratified over its enrollment. A week ago there were approximately eleven per cent more students than there were during the fall semester last year. It is estimated that college enrollment in the United States is up five percent, so West Texas State has a gain six percent larger than the national average.

More interesting, however, would be to know the reasons for the gain. Better financial conditions contribute, an advertising campaign has doubtless had something to do with it, but it seems likely that the largest factor is student faith—faith in the future, and faith in the integrity and virtue of college work at West Texas State. This is a faith that has been built into the lives of hundreds of students throughout the years. It has been built of such materials as honest classroom performance by faculty members, friendly relations between teachers and students, a willingness on the part of maturer students to help those just beginning, and a continuing, intelligent effort on the part of the administrators of the college to make years spent here profitable at the time and growing in profit as life goes on. Most of all, this faith is built by what students themselves do that is worthy and honest and far-sighted. A college cannot be better than its students make it.

Yes, enrollment is up at our fine Panhandle college. This year can be so good that there can be another big increase next year. You and you and you can make it so!

Esprit de Corps

In every school and college there is an indefinable esprit de corps that is known as "school spirit." That spirit helps to make the school—it represents the school—to some extent, it IS the school.

School spirit is important because it reflects the student body and its attitudes—and because there is no escaping its influence.

To us at W. T. S., school spirit is made up of many ingredients—a pattern of friendliness, of tolerance, of cooperation, of one-ness. It is not only cheering ourselves hoarse at football games, but sticking by our team, our faculty, and each other, and by defending those things which we hold true above all others. It is voting at student elections, and being an active part of the student body. It is in being proud of our Alma Mater and the things for which she stands.

School spirit is a pledge that is given in the living of college life. It should be a reality. In a small college like ours, it is vital.

Let us, then, begin to show our school spirit as we feel it—this is our college—and we're proud of it!

What Kind of a Home . . . ?

A writer whose column appears each Sunday in the paper of a nearby city recently visited the home of a graduate of West Texas State College. She described it thus, "... a house full of books and pictures and good bits of furniture."

Certainly all these things are evidences of education. The library of the college offers an opportunity for every student to become acquainted with good books, and through these and courses which are offered he can come to know good magazines, good pictures and good furniture.

Practically every boy and girl now enrolled in this college will be a home maker one of these days. Will that home reflect education, culture and good taste of its occupants? The use of the years spent in college will determine to a very large extent the answer to that question.

Playboy: You look fed up, Mr. Whifflebotham.

Whifflebotham: Yes, I've had a trying day. That office boy of mine came to me with the old gag about getting off for his grandmother's funeral, so just to teach him a lesson I said I'd accompany him.

Playboy: Not a bad idea; but wasn't it an exciting football game?

Whifflebotham: No, it was his grandmother's funeral.

When a man has been away a long time many will not remember him when he returns, and some will not know he has been away.

It must not take much to please women who dress as they please.

SCANDAL

"So your husband has been deceiving you, has he?"

"Yes, I've been giving him a dime every day to ride to work and now I find he's been walking and spending the money."

The franc is the most widely circulated coin in Europe, being used by about 148,000,000 people. In Italy the franc is known as the lira; in Serbia, the dinar; in Spain, the peseta; but the value is always the same. The system of coinage is known as the Latin Union.

The name of Idaho is derived from an Indian word meaning "Gem of the Mountains."

Hi! High School Seniors! Have your president or secretary send the names and addresses of all your class members to Bureau of Public Service, Canyon, Texas, so you will get your free copies of "West Texas Wings." It is a publication for high school seniors. (Be sure to have the approval of your sponsor or principal before sending the list!)

Get the list mailed today!



Riches either serve or govern the possessor.—Horace.

NEW FACES
APPEAR ON CAMPUS

A year ago last spring some frolicking youngsters playing that they were bombardiers climbed to the top of the museum and unloaded their bomb racks. The simulated bombs hit targets on the museum and the following resulted:

1. The antelope lost one set of antlers.
2. The Jack-rabbit lost two good ears.

Replacing the heads are new figures similar to those which were mutilated.

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum has long been an attractive feature on the campus of West Texas State College. The museum is a very pretty, impressive building and has brought many compliments to W. T. S. It is the only museum in this part of the country and is unique in the fact that in it are relics of the Panhandle country which is just now out of its pioneering stage of life.

Freshmen who have not visited the museum should do so at their earliest convenience.

DEFENSE
NOTE

There's an invasion on the home front in which it is your duty to play a part—the invasion of the Fifth War loan into your billfold!

There should be a War Bond backing every bullet which crosses an invasion line. It is YOUR duty to furnish that bond. Buy your quota of War Bonds and Stamps each week.

TO THINK
ABOUT

If you find yourself traveling in circles maybe it's because you're running around too much.

QUOTING THE
FACULTY WIT

Applied to a hair wave, the word "permanent" means every couple of months or so.

COMMENTS

Freshmen are beginning to realize the value of friendly terms with Upperclassmen. Did you ever see so many peculiar-looking people about the campus?

Mrs. T. V. Reeves has an excellent sense of humor. During Prairie staff meeting (all girls) last week she rushed in and remarked, "You can shout now, another man just enrolled."

HAVE YOU
NOTICED?

The progress on the new windows in the auditorium?

The lawn around the Science Building?

The neat signs above the doors of the various library rooms?

The nice chairs and tables in the Graduate Reading Room?

The table tops Miss Stephenson scrubbed in the Document Room?

THERE'S A
LONG, LONG TRAIL

... around the southwest corner of the campus since barbed wire has been placed around the territory of the museum. Upperclassmen and faculty members have found themselves habitually turning off the sidewalk only to be confronted with five strands of wire. The student-worn path behind the museum has been used for years and was recently known as "rice-crispy" road because the gravel and rocks produced a crunchy sound as students passed over them.

We join with others in a pause of silence in fond memory of the path.

(Pause of silence.)

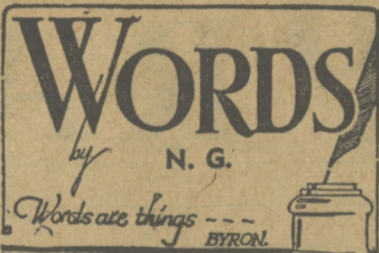
HERE AND
THERE

There are three Freshmen and three Upperclassmen living at the T-Anchor Ranch. Seems as though it will be every man for himself.

We hate to see money so plentiful that coeds wear it in their hair. Why don't they invest it in War Stamps and Bonds?

ON, ON
BUFFALOES

Here's three cheers for the Buffs



In the "Saturday Review of Literature" for September 16, Jacques Barzun, of Columbia University, writes in answer to the question "Are Teachers Escapists?"

"In recounting my apprenticeship, I called teaching back-breaking work, and later I hinted that steady teaching is a task that would fray the nerves of an ox. These are both sober statements. An hour of teaching is certainly the equivalent of a whole morning of office work. The pace, the concentration, the output of energy in office work are child's play compared with handling a class, and the smaller the class, the harder the work. Tutoring a single person, as someone has said, makes you understand what a dynamo feels like when it is discharging into a non-conductor.

"Most teachers in colleges teach three hours daily five days a week, and their friends gape and state: 'You're thorough for the day at twelve!' The fact is that at twelve o'clock a teacher who has done his stint is as limp as a rag. I am not thinking of feeble constitutions or neurotic personalities, but of the average man or woman who might readily find other employment 'in the world.' ... I stick to college teaching, which is supposed to be a sinecure. At noon, the best effort of the day has been put in. Then comes lunch, usually spoiled for relaxation by being combined with a committee meeting. The afternoon goes to conferences with students, a mass of clerical work, professional correspondence, and snags of all sorts involving plant and personnel—all this akin to hospital routing, because in both places time and consideration for persons are dominant concerns.

"By five or five-thirty, this do-nothing king of a professor goes home—to his family if he has one, to his books and papers, which he cannot help having. If he is a young instructor, he has many new preparations—perhaps four hours' work to every three class hours. If he is an old hand, he not only prepares for surfeit but he is exploring some field of his own. ... No teacher gets through his day's work that day and hence no teacher has ever lived who did not regularly sigh, 'Thank God, it's Friday!'"

The English authoress, G. B. Stern, writes in her new book "Trumpet Voluntary" on the paper shortage in England:

"Every letter you receive today gives you a pang of alarm before you recognize the writing. Every addressed envelope is now a palimpsest; you can distinguish, behind the economy label, the original name and address underneath, and perhaps even a third name and address scribbled underneath that. In one of those buried addresses you may be interested to recognize the writing of a mutual friend, and you speculate, before you open it, on why old So-and-So can possibly have been writing to old So-and-So. (And why to him and not to me?) That long legal-looking envelope, which used to announce a legacy in all the best old-fashioned fiction, now merely appears in your post-bag because the sender had himself received a letter from a previous sender who had had a letter from a lawyer who had started out with an envelope of his own. ..."

—Quoted by Bennett Cerf, "Saturday Review of Literature."

There is a story about the soldier who wrote home: "You are my pin-up girl, but I am your pent-up boy."—"Vogue," September 15, 1944.

The Associated Press for September 24 carried this story—"Capt. Robert Rhodes, St. Louis, Mo., driving along a lonely Italian road, spotted a little white cross in a field.

"He got out of his jeep and went over for a look. On the cross was this inscription: 'Billy McGee, AAF.' Rhodes reported his discovery on the assumption that McGee might have been reported missing in action and his death remained unconfirmed. Word was sent to Washington and a crew from the U. S. 15th Air Force was ordered to exhume the body and place it in a military cemetery.

"After 20 minutes of digging the men threw down their shovels. 'Billy McGee' was an Army Air Force goat."

In the October "National Geographic" is an article relating some of "What the Fighting Yanks See." What they see is apparently educational:

"Yanks who had spent much time in the half-dry, half-jungle-covered parts of Australia had some strong words to say about 'that jungle.' 'Believe me,' said one of the boys from the Cape York Peninsula, that northeastern finger of land pointing toward New Guinea, 'next time I see a movie siren strolling through the jungle barefooted and wearing nothing but a flower in her hair and a sarong around her middle, I'm going to hoot, and hoot plenty. 'Why, even a tough-footed na-

in their next game and a pat on the back for fighting hard in the last game.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

Horn of Plenty
"Heap high the farmer's wintry hoard!
Heap high the golden corn!
No richer gift has autumn poured
From out her lavish horn."
—JAMES GREENLEAF WHITTIER.



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Dear Students! Theatrically Speaking

Dear Studes:

As this is one of my new experiences, please bear with me until I get the "hang" of the situation. My first experience this year was moving into dear ol' STAFFORD HALL. As I was signing the book a big mosquito crawled across the page and I was just wondering if he was looking to see what room I would be in. ... He was!

The girls at RANDALL HALL must be starting early by staying up late. After the lights flash, if the girls are still making noises, their lights go off all night. I hear they only went out twice the last week.

Then there's the little freshman at STAFFORD who thought someone should run up and down the halls to wake up everyone else in the morning. Now, just who has that much energy at that time of day?

Seen at BOB'S—Three of the youngest male faculty members enjoying the Sunday funnies. FLASH! BOB CONNER showing his new \$1.98 shirt-tail for the enjoyment of a few co-eds.

Description of a modern mother—one who has safety pins and cigarettes in her mouth at the same time.

All brutes are imperfect animals. Man alone is a perfect beast.

The FACULTY - STUDENT RECEPTION at COUSINS was quite a unique affair and if you noticed, some of our instructors distinguished themselves by doing a well regulated movement of the feet to a rhythmical musical accompaniment.

The feminine of bachelor is lady-in-waiting.

It seems some sailor saw EVELYN ELLIOTT's picture in BOB'S and immediately telephoned her for a date.

Two Irishmen sleeping together had their heads covered up to keep the mosquitoes away. One peeped out and saw a lightning bug, and said, "Pat, there's no use, these mosquitoes are looking for us with a lantern."

Two co-eds already have dates with two of the HUSTLIN' BUFFS for November 25th. The boys say they will be through with training after playing New Mexico University.

BILLIE DE HART certainly has stars in her eyes after an enjoyable evening with DAVE BROWDER.

Well, let's hop over to the poet's corner and make a quick review of the latest malarkey.

"Now I lay me down to sleep, The lecture's dry, the subject's deep, If he should quit before I wake, Give me a poke, for goodness sake."

I took her to a night club. I took her to a show.

I took her everywhere A boy and girl could go.

I took her to a swell dance I took her to a tea.

And when all my dough was gone I saw—SHE had been taking ME!

Three simple rules to avoid embarrassment when you slip and fall

tive would look twice before he'd put his foot down on that moving jungle floor, and he's used to the place.

"In this man's country," he went on, "even the trees have teeth, and the vines actually crawl out of their way to give you just one more scratch."

on the dance floor: 1. Just lie there—they'll think you fainted. 2. Get up gracefully—they'll think it is part of the step. 3 Start mopping the floor with your handkerchief—they'll think you work there.

And now I lay me down to sleep, Entertaining thoughts so deep Of the subject I detest. Of all the things I'd like best Going to school is not foremost; But if I must, please send my ghost.

Ruth O.: I'm forgetting football players.

Lucille J.: Me too! I'm for GETTING a couple as soon as possible.

When the committee arrived to present Nathan with the \$10 prize for being the laziest man, Nathan was distressed. "Boys," he said, "ef y're set on givin' this to me, d'y' mind rollin' me over and puttin' it in my pocket?"

The tender hearted young lady, on her first fishing expedition, watched her escort pull a luscious trout out of the brook.

"But isn't it cruel?" she asked. "Naw," replied the angler scornfully. "He likes it. Look at him wagging his tail."

OPA REGULATIONS

First Moron: "Why don't you use the other straw?"

Second Moron: "This one's not empty yet."

Teacher: If you have \$10 in one pocket and \$15 in the other, what have you?

Steve: I have on the wrong pants.

To make your dreams come true—wake up.

Small Son: You never know where you are with women, do you dad? Mummy says I'm too big to cry, and then she says I'm too small to sit up late.

If you haven't a good reason for doing something; then you have a good reason for not doing it.

SHE'S REDUCING

Boy Friend: "Are you free this evening?"

Girl Friend: "Well, not exactly free, but very inexpensive."

Rich relatives are of two kinds—distant and close.

STRICTLY GI

Here I sit on my GI bed, With my GI hat upon my head. My GI pants, my GI shoes; All is free, nothing to lose. GI razor, GI comb— GI wish that I were home. They've issued me everything I need, Paper to write on, books to read. My belt, my socks, my GI tie, All are free, nothing to buy. They issue me food that makes me grow— GI wish I were on furlough. I eat my food from a GI plate, And buy my needs at a GI rate. It's GI this and GI that, GI haircut, GI hat. Everything is GI issue— Oh, my darling, GI miss you.

RECORD OF PROGRESS

The army doctor was questioning the new cadet nurse about a soldier patient: "Have you kept a chart on his progress?"

The cadet blushing replied: "No sir, but I can show you my diary!"

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Eddie Castleberry



Eddie Castleberry of the 1942 West Texas State football team has returned this year to play again. The 165-pound senior comes from Vernon. Although handicapped by a toe injury in 1942, Castleberry was one of the mainstays of a great team. This year he appears faster than ever. The Buffaloes will play their first home game with the Amarillo Army Air Field on the night of October 14.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 1944

WEST TEXAS STATE COLLEGE		
Oct. 7	New Mexico University	at Albuquerque (N)
Oct. 14	Amarillo Air Field	at Canyon (N)
Oct. 21	Open	
Oct. 27	Texas Technological College	at Amarillo (N) (Conference Game)
Nov. 3	Lubbock Air Base	at Canyon (N)
Nov. 10	Amarillo Air Field	at Amarillo (N)
Nov. 17	South Plains Air Base	at Lubbock (N)
Nov. 25	New Mexico University	at Canyon (D) (Conference Game)

A Bewildered Freshman Thinks College Fun — After First Day

Girls! Girls! Trunks! and more girls! On September the 18th when I entered Randall Hall I had a rather funny feeling in my stomach. As the evening wore on and girls hurried about—all with a cheery "hi!" it made that premature homesick feeling gradually take wings and leave this bewildered Freshman in a bevy of upper-classmen and more green Freshmen. Now, almost two weeks later, the girls are like sisters. By the way, we have three sets of sisters in our hall. We all get along just like sisters, too. Sometimes we would bite nails to keep things going smooth and other times we would pull hair with our best friend. Since P. E. has started we're more than glad to help the softies, who've never had any exercise, up and down the stairs. There is one exception to that statement and that is when we have mail call. More than once I've seen girls turn mournfully back up the steps—empty-handed. Yes, I've been along. The girls are very accommodating about helping another girl get off on a date (if she can manage one). There are always from two to six girls helping you, but you love 'em for it. Even though you end up looking like Zazu Pitts you couldn't get along without 'em. It's fascinating how well the girls obey house rules and how perfectly they can all hit the door at 10:30 on their night out. Sometimes our being so perfectly obedient does not apply to the "all quiet" flash, but who can keep from giggling if told not to? It seems as though this rule has not been perfected as yet. Our house officers have been elected by popular vote—even to the Freshman Committee which is racking "cobwebbed" brains for the torture to be delivered to the Freshmen—Yes, next week's "Hell Week!" All in all dormitory life is a lotta fun and I wouldn't give it up for the world.

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WELCOME STUDENTS



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DANCING LESSONS GIVEN TONIGHT

At the second Open House, last Tuesday evening, some of the students requested that they be taught the latest dance steps. It is customary that dancing instructors be provided if the students want them. So tonight, after the regular session of Open House an instructor will teach dancing steps to those who are interested in learning.

There will be no charge for these lessons and all students, boys and girls, are cordially invited to stay. Regular session of Open House will be from 8 until 9 o'clock and the dancing instructions will be given after that.

Lost: A Marine head scarf, sometime Sunday afternoon. If the finder will please return this scarf to The Prairie office, in Room 116, the owner will call for it there.

Buy Another Bond Today.

1944 Varsity Football Roster West Texas State College Buffaloes

1944 VARSITY FOOTBALL ROSTER WEST TEXAS STATE COLLEGE BUFFALOES				
No.	Name	Wt.	Pos.	Home
20	Shaver, A. D.	170	C	Seymour, Texas
21	Greenfield, Billy	170	QB	Brownfield
22	Bledsoe, "Hoss"	165	QB	Seymour
23	Castleberry, Eddie	165	LH	Vernon
24	Mann, Billy	155	LH	Wichita Falls
25	Meyers, Karl	170	RG	Canyon
26	Bromley, Pete	188	RG	Clarendon
27	Kelley, Curtis	185	FB	Lockney
28	Hopkins, Bill	165	FB	Canadian
29	Leach, Don	165	C	Wellington
30	Pruitt, Pat	170	LH	Shamrock
31	Henderson, James	165	RH	Shamrock
32	Norman, Joe	180	RH	Quanah
34	Hale, Alfred	145	QB	Shamrock
35	McDonald, Charles	165	C	Ozona
37	Thompson, Bill	190	RG	Denver, Colo.
38	Glasgow, Kenneth	175	LE	Follett
39	LaFollette, Metz	195	RE	San Diego, Calif.
46	Hedges, Willard	185	FB	Olton
47	Garrison, Gene	255	RT	Hobart, Okla.
48	Parrish, Marion	195	LT	Floydada
51	Davis, Kenneth	190	LT	McLean
52	Johnson, John	155	RE	Abernathy
55	Lyons, Dwaine	180	LG	Olton
56	Copeland, Bob	180	RE	Floydada
57	George, Bill	172	LG	Claude
59	Hammit, Bill	195	LE	Claude
61	Browder, Dave	190	LT	Memphis
62	Goodson, Marion	190	RT	Childress

WESTEX

Dear Buffle and Buffer:

Westex is amazed by and proud of the new freshman class. Believe it or not, the freshmen are numerically superior to all other classes combined and have a really fine opportunity to show W. T. what they can do.

The only thing Westex has found disappointing is the lack of green freshman caps. The absence of this traditional distinction takes a little of the zip out of the antics of freshman week. The athletes have it all over the rest of the Buffies and Buffers, for nobody could possibly fail to recognize a burr cut of the variety now being worn by "Rufus" Graves and J. L. Houser. The first time Westex saw a burr cut he praised Allah that the hair on his head covers the scars garnered from about 20 years of living, including the time his sister knocked him unconscious with an innocent little car jack and numerous falls from assorted chicken houses, garages and backyard fences.

The freshman class not only has a numerical superiority, but as evidenced by the members of that class who entertained at the freshman mixer, it also has some really fine talent. La Nelle Ekelund and Alice Billy Courts should prove to be valuable to W. T. assembly programs.

The most enviable asset of the freshman class is that it numbers among its members practically all the men on the campus. The fact that they are in the 17 and 18 year old age range is proving embarrassing to some upperclassmen girls, who are having to nip a year or so off their ages and classifications. Billy Lols De Hart, for the benefit of the bureau of vital statistics and the professors of campusology has arrived at the ripe old age of 19 and is a junior. It's really a heart-breaking situation.

The pat on the back of the first few days of registration should go to W. T.'s deserving faculty who stayed two days in a crowded room registering students, and yet managed to put on its best bib and tucker and make a charming impression at the faculty reception.

Thursday night, all Buffies and Buffers will gather for the first pep rally of the season. Freshmen are busy learning W. T.'s favorite pep yell and upperclassmen are bringing them out of a shadowy past for a pre-rally brush-up. The football season will be only as good as the spirit of every Buffle and Buffer enrolled in W. T. Activity tickets give everyone entrance to the games but no piece of paper will make the games successful. It is up to each and everyone to take with him to the games the feeling that will be the deciding factor.

The most ecstatic groups of Buffies and Buffers on the campus are the students taking aviation. This year marks the first year since the beginning of the war that aviation has been offered at W. T. Evelyn Coffee and Sharline Burch live, breathe, and talk aviation. The other members of the classes are just as enthusiastic about flying and about Sherman Attaway, who is doing a fine job of making future pilots.

Jean Tomberlin is a member of the Freshman class who has done one of the best jobs of getting acquainted that Westex has seen in many a moon. The contagious quality of Jean's personality gives everyone who associates with her a feeling of well being.

Now is the time to get acquainted. Every freshman Buffle and Buffer should become acquainted with the faculty, with the deans, with the upperclassmen, and with each other. Know what W. T. can do for its students, and don't fail to realize what the students can do for W. T. W. T. was a fast growing educational institution throughout the Panhandle in pre-war years, and has been less affected by the war than perhaps any other college in this vicinity. Publicize W. T. in every town in the Panhandle. W. T.'s faculty, student body, and curriculum rank with the best in the United States.

Girls of Stafford Hall are pleased as punch with the Mr. and Mrs. team who are their house supervisors. Dr. and Mrs. T. M. Moore have already won the hearts and the confidence of their forty girls. Dr. Moore is the best screen-putter-upper and general man of the hour Westex knows. Mrs. Moore is interested in the girls and is doing a fine job.

Funniest tale of the week is that told by Dave Browder, who believes that Bill Jack Thompson is the Casanova of the campus, but that he, Dave, doesn't make a particularly good substitute even in the wee small hours of the morning when they are sleeping more or less peacefully in Buffalo Courts.

WESTEX.

Tyler Is New Flight Teacher

Due to an increase in enrollment in the flying course at West Texas State Flying Field, R. D. Tyler, Jr., of Abilene has joined the staff as flight instructor.

Mr. Tyler took CPT training when it was first offered as a college course. He received his ground school training at Abilene Aviation school and Hardin-Simmons University. His cross country work and commercial and flight instructor's work was done at Clint Breedlove's in Lubbock. At Ballinger, Mr. Tyler was an Army primary instructor, and at Abilene aviation school was a Navy primary instructor. Other training was taken at Wichita Falls. During the last two years Mr. Tyler has been with the Department of Commerce as C. A. A. flight supervisor of army indoctrination at Shawnee, Oklahoma. He has logged over 2,000 hours as an instructor. After five years in the aviation business, Mr. Tyler holds the commercial, primary, and secondary instructor ratings, and all seven ground instructor ratings.

The chief instructor at West Texas State Flying Field is Sherman E. Attaway, who was chief of the army indoctrination program just completed here.

Ex-Student Barber

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work after the war. Coxswain Mate Dysart and Garland Turner, who is in the Navy also, were together in college and they lived at the T-Anchor. After joining the Navy they met in Virginia, then in California, and were sent to the South Pacific together. In the Pacific they were food and water inspectors.

Dysart is now stationed in Camp Harts, in California.

MISS HICKMAN SPEAKS TO BEGIN BOOK CLUB NEW YEAR

On Wednesday, September 27 the Woman's Book Club began a new year of study. The club was honored by having Miss Helen Hickman give a most interesting talk on present day medical discoveries and she particularly stressed mental health. She very ably discussed the harmony between the physical and mental attitudes, the relation of training to our physical condition and that there are people who inherit a weak nervous system and may not be able to overcome that weakness.

We should develop the fine art of living, have confidence in ourselves, faith in the goodness of life, be open-minded, unselfish; and we should try to live a balanced life.

Mrs. T. M. Moore, a former member of the club, was a special guest.

Notice

New students on the campus are having a difficult time trying to get accustomed to the new library hours. In order to prevent misunderstandings, the schedule of hours that the library will be open are given here:

Reading Room is open from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m., from 1:30 p. m. until 6 p. m., and from 7 to 9 p. m. Reserve Book Room is open from 9:30 a. m. to 1 p. m., from 2:30 to 6 p. m. and from 7 to 9 p. m.

The library will close on Saturday afternoons at 5 p. m.

Willard Hedges



Willard Hedges is back with the Buffaloes this year playing the positions of full back and right half back. Willard played right half back in 1942-43 for the Hustlin' Buffs. This year he is given the title of the fastest man on the squad.

He comes to West Texas State College from Olton High School. Willard joined the Marines, but was given a medical discharge because of a back injury. Willis Hedges, twin brother of Willard, is now serving in the Marines and in '42 played with the Buffaloes.

Black Rocker Is Treasured by Original Owners

Miss Mary Moss Richardson, retired, sent an article to the Dallas Daily News in the first of August, and on August 6, her story was published in the column of letters from readers. This is the story as it was published:

"There it stands, the plain little low armless rocker—old-fashioned, substantial, treasured.

Seventy-four years ago Prof. J. J. Richardson of Paris went to J. W. Rodgers, a young furniture dealer and manufacturer, and said, "Fannie wants a plain, neat oak rocker to rock the new baby in."

So J. W. Rodgers built into the small oak rocker his own four-square character; and the young father no doubt carried it on his shoulder home to his delighted young wife. From time to time the rockers have had to be replaced because of their being used as a perch by little people, but it served its own and the next generation. When Professor Richardson moved his family to Austin, where he had been elected principal of a ward building, he took the little rocker, and placed it in the woodbox of the woodburner train for Fannie to rock baby Fan in. The baby had never gone to sleep without rocking. It came back from Austin with its family. It rocked an Admiral in the Navy.

Last week the "new baby," Jessie, now 73 years old, and her sister, Moss, painted the little rocker a shiny black. It is now ready to rock a new generation. The original paint has lasted all these years. They builded well in those days.

Of such small threads is woven the stuff of home. Just a little rocker, do you think? No, it is a symbol of the enduring quality of the American home. Nay, may we not say the substantial fiber of all civilization? So here's to the little black rockers and spool cabinets and all similar treasures hoarded in Texas homes by their original owners—symbols of the new civilization treasuring the best of the old."

Miss Willie Mat Claxton of Gatesville, Texas, who has been for a year and a half a paying house guest of Miss M. Moss Richardson, left Monday for visits to Stanton, Tennessee, her birth place, and to Gatesville. She will return to Rest Cottage in the late fall or early winter. She expresses herself as delighted with the Plains and with Canyon, the bright sunshine, the pure air, the friendly people.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wooten and children of Stratford and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wooten and son from Childress met their brother, W. J. Wooten, from Northwestern University in the parental W. J. Wooten home Sunday.

G. E. (Enoch) Dawson, Industrial Arts major of the class of 1926 is now director of diversified occupations in the Lubbock Senior High School. Another Industrial Arts major, E. E. Key of the class of 1930 is a teacher in the same school.

Freedom of speech is enjoyed by both married and single men, but the single men enjoy it more.

Basketball Takes College Highlight In New Mexico

Although football is in full swing in most high schools, lack of manpower has forced colleges to look to other major sports. Eastern New Mexico College has chosen basketball and the first home game is scheduled for the evening of November 8, with the Hobbs Air Base team.

With 25 men, all frosh, reporting for practice, Coach Al Garten reports that, although this is the smallest squad ever to report at ENMC, it is the highest percentage of men on the campus ever to report for a major sport.

Games are being arranged with other army bases and with many colleges that are playing basketball. Floyd D. Golden, graduate of West Texas State College is president of Eastern New Mexico College.

Neilson Stationed Ft. Worth Makes Mexico City Run

Mr. and Mrs. Milton (Chick) Neilson have sold their home at 1007 3rd Ave. to W. J. Rose and have bought a home in Ft. Worth.

Mr. Neilson is flying on the Mexico City run for American Air Ways. His initial flight took less than six hours with only one stop, Monterey.

Mr. Neilson was instructor at the Canyon Aviation Service while the College detachment was in training there. He then volunteered for transport flight duty, was accepted and given special training by American Airways.

Mr. and Mrs. Neilson had managed the Farmers Elevator for several years prior to our entry into the War. When Mr. Neilson became an instructor, Mrs. Neilson assumed the management of the Elevator.

Nell Spann Cheatham has written that her husband, Pvt. Roy F. Cheatham, who is in the Signal Service Battalion at Camp Crowder, Missouri, be sent The Prairie. Mrs. Cheatham is now in Amarillo.

Mrs. L. B. Hill, who was Jonnie Weeks when she attended Kest Texas State, was in Canyon visiting friends last week. She now lives in Higgins.

Miss Wynema Robbins has returned from Las Lunas, N. M., where she has been visiting since early in July.

Tom Langston Y 1-c and Mrs. Langston from New Orleans are visiting relatives and friends in Canyon this week.

AN EXTENDED TRIP

"Operator, will you please help me get off the bus?"

"Certainly, what's the trouble?"

"Well, I'm fat and have to get off the bus backward. This man thinks I'm getting on and shoves me in again. I've been trying to get off for the last five stops."

The culture of the silk worm was introduced to Europe in the Sixth Century when two monks, sent to visit China by Justinian, returned with eggs of the silkworms concealed in a hollow cane.

Rastus: My gal am so lazy she won't laugh when she hears a funny joke.

Sambo: Dat ain't nothin' boy. My gal's so lazy she won't ache when she's got a pain.

Young folks always seem so silly after you've ceased to be one of them.

The largest Christian denomination consisting wholly of negroes is the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Maps drawn in the Middle Ages frequently show the earth as a flat disk with Jerusalem at the center.

The reason that modern girls are such live wires is that they have so little insulation on.

The coldest degree of natural temperature ever recorded was 90 degrees below Fahrenheit in north-east Siberia.

The largest sun spot is 60,000 miles in diameter; the smallest 300 miles.

Teacher: Tommy, name ~~the~~ things that contain milk.

Tommy: Butter 'n' cheese 'n' ice cream—'n' two cows.

Savages usually believe that animals have souls sometimes calling them "blood brothers."

The custom of legal adoption in England is relatively recent, having been authorized by statute in 1926.

PERSONALITIES

By Pat Hill

West Texas State has enrolled over one hundred boys this year, which is in contrast to the 1943-'44 thirty seven. Although most of them are freshmen, there are some upperclassmen.

Among the upper-classmen is Dave "Handsome" Browder. Playing tackle on the football squad, he got his high school experience in Memphis, Texas.

Two freshman boys who are seen together are J. L. Houser of Leveland and Bill Allen of Perryton. The cropped hair effect doesn't seem to hurt the looks of either.

When "Red" is shrieked in the corridors, it will probably be directed at Bob Copeland. A native of Canyon, he is registered as a freshman.

The Prairie tips its hat this week to Robert Conner, a senior of Lockney. Robert is a Business Administration major and worked in the Bureau of Public Service as movie projector operator for the 350th Army Detachment last year. Being very interested in dramatics he has appeared in several productions during his college career. Robert gives his spare time to keeping books for Bob's Coffee Shop.

If you're in need of a "Jack-of-all-trades," please consult Peggy Williamson of Stafford. She majored in chemistry one year, and has now gone to the other extreme by majoring in English. Besides this, she is grand in art (notice the signs in the Reserve Library)! Look for her in such classes as Spanish, French, etc.

All the girls wait for him to come to see them. Yes, he's the mail carrier! Wayne Thomas, Adrian, pleases all the girls by bringing mail to all the dorms and boarding houses. (Confidentially, I think the boys like the mail O. K. too!) Wayne, valedictorian of his Senior class, is just O. K.

Have you heard that Pat Elmore play the piano? She's really a whiz. She's from Borger, and she can peek out that boogie!

Quote from the Government class: Introducing himself: Metz LaFollette, UNMARRIED, San Diego. That's your cue, girls!

Have you met that Joyce Taylor from Pampa? She stays at Stafford Hall. She's only about as big as a minute, but say, that personality of hers is—magnetic!

Satan: "What are you laughing at?"

Junior devil: "I just locked a woman in a room with a thousand hats and no mirrors."

Registrar: Age, please.

She: I'm around 30.

Registrar: I can see that, ma'am; but how many years is it since you got around it?

Smiles are far more attractive than frowns, and they take less muscular effort.

It doesn't mean anything to aim right unless you know when to pull the trigger.

Some men marry poor girls to settle down. Some marry rich girls to settle up.

The blue of the sky and the colors of sunrise and sunset are due in a large measure to the presence of dust in the atmosphere.

OLYMPIC

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY

Jimmy Lydon—Joan Fontaine
"Henry Aldrich's Little Secret"

Adm. 9c-20c

SELECTED SHORTS

THURSDAY - FRIDAY

John Garfield — Paul Henreid

"Between Two Worlds"

Adm. 9c-35c

Also News—Selected Shorts

SATURDAY

Donald O'Connor—Ann Blythe

"Chip Off the Old Block"

Adm. 9c-25c

SUNDAY - MONDAY

Humphrey Bogart—Claude Rains

"Passage to Marselles"

Adm. 9c-35c

Also News—Selected Shorts

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY

Edw. G. Robinson—Ruth Warlick

"Mr. Winkle Goes to War"

SELECTED SHORTS

Adm. 9c-20c

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Ceremony Unites Dyer-Dennis September 17

Sunday, September 17, Miss Margaret Helen Dyer of Wheeler became the bride of Royce D. Dennis of Shamrock. Performed at the home of the bride, Rev. John English, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiated.

Mrs. Dennis is a graduate of Shamrock High School and attended West Texas State College. She has been acting as county school superintendent for the past year.

Mr. Dennis is also a graduate of Shamrock High School and attended college at Lawton, Okla., before entering the armed forces two years ago. He was with the signal corps and has recently received a medical discharge.

The couple are now in Canyon and both are enrolled in West Texas State.

Kappas Entertain Freshmen Girls Wednesday

Kappa Tau Phi sorority was hostess to freshmen girls, when they held a welcoming tea Wednesday afternoon. The tea, which lasted from three until five o'clock, was held at the Home Management House.

Various members of the sorority met the guests at the door, and presented each girl with a corsage of tiny marigolds tied with white ribbons.

Succeeding Miss Florence McMurry as sponsor of Kappa Tau Phi is Miss Roxana Ford, home economics professor.

Refreshments of cakes, mints, nuts, and tea were served.

Rush Week Plans Announced by Dean and Council

Drawing dates for rush parties was the main activity of the first meeting of the Inter-Club Council. Two representatives from each of the four sororities and one representative from a fraternity met with Dean Geraldine Green Thursday afternoon.

Rush Week will be October 9-19. Two dates during that week were drawn by Pi Omegas, Gamma Phis, Delta Zeta Chis, Kappa Tau Phis, and Alpha Sigma Xis. Such entertainments as teas, picnics, dances, and other parties are being planned.

At this meeting, Jean Shaver, Gamma Phi, was elected president of the Inter-Club Council; Sharline Burch, Delta Zeta Chi, is vice-president; and Roberta Medlen, Pi Omega, is secretary.

For the past two weeks the store room off President J. A. Hill's office has been undergoing changes. The work included not only enlarging his storage space, but also the construction of a store room opening off the hall to be used to house custodians' supplies.

Mrs. Check Jay of the class of 1942 is teaching at Jayton. Mrs. Jay was a correspondence student of W. T. all the time for several years except when she was taking work on the campus.

Virginia Is Scene Davis-Rampley Wedding Vows

Vows were read in Quantico, Va., September 16, for Miss Faye Jean Davis and Lt. O. C. Rampley, both of Silverton.

Lt. and Mrs. Rampley graduated from Silverton High School, and attended West Texas State College. Mrs. Rampley taught school at Gerald last year.

They are at home in Quantico.

Freshman Week Is Under Way

Traditional observation of Freshman Hell Week began on the West Texas State campus yesterday, with the sudden appearance of bright green bows and Freshman caps. The Hell Week rituals are mild carry-overs from the hazing common to all colleges many years ago.

Hell Week is planned by upperclassmen as an informal introduction of new students to classmates and faculty. Its purpose is to acquaint Freshmen with the college in the shortest possible length of time.

Various halls on the campus appointed committees last week to arrange rules and regulations for Hell Week. Customarily, two sophomores, one junior and one senior make up each committee. Each upperclassman is assigned a "Little Sister," to whom she acts as guide and director. In this way it is possible for upperclassmen to help the Freshman make adjustment to college life.

Rules are presented to underclassmen, who copy them and hang copies in their rooms for references. Typical rules demand standing in the presence of upperclassmen, attending all meals, date permits signed by seniors, entertainments by freshmen at the request of upperclassmen, wearing of name cards, and Kangaroo Court. In most halls Freshmen must report to their big sisters before eight o'clock in the morning, freak costumes are a gay feature of the week.

During Hell Week the average Freshman comes in contact with large numbers of his class and through assigned duties, meets most of the faculty. Although nearly all first year students take part in the initiation, participation is entirely voluntary.

Zetas Sponsor Afternoon Tea Freshmen Girls

To honor all the Freshmen girls, Delta Zeta Chi sorority sponsored a tea, Saturday afternoon, September 23, from four to six o'clock in the home of Dr. Mattie Swayne and Miss Novella Goodman.

The girls were greeted at the door by Sharline Burch, president of the club. L. Louise Pugh presented each guest with flowers of traditional club colors.

Approximately seventy-five girls attended. Winnie Fred Ramage Frankie Phillips played appropriate music throughout the afternoon.

Mrs. L. F. Sheffy, sponsor of the sorority, and Dr. Swayne presided at the silver tea service. Open-faced sandwiches and cakes were attractively placed on the serving table.

Still Young at Heart Is Gay Little Miss Frances Hill---A Jitterbug

By Joy Littlefield

"You can't trust a woman who tells her age. If she tells that, then she'll tell anything," laughingly states Miss Frances Hill, W. T. S. student from Nevada. "But," she added, "I'm practically the oldest thing on the campus."

Miss Hill's youthful ideas, her many interests and activities belie her reputation of being the oldest person in the college, and also make her one of the most interesting.

Majoring in Physical Education, this five feet three inch, one hundred pound dynamo, is a very apt student. For 30 years, she has been a teacher in Nevada and plans to return to her career in 1945.

"When I left the high school in in Goodsprings, Nevada," Miss Hill explains, "I promised my girls and boys that I would learn jitterbugging, tennis and baseball so that I could teach them when I return." And she is keeping her promise.

Miss Hill received her B. A. degree in Education at the University of Utah. Among other colleges she has attended are: the University of California, Southwest Texas Teachers, Trinity College, the University of Nevada, and teachers colleges in Arizona, Colorado, and Utah.

A native of Alabama, Miss Hill was reared and schooled in the south. Her mother died while she was very young, and her father, an army surgeon, died soon after, leaving Frances in the care of an aunt.

Miss Hill has traveled extensively and plans to visit soon the few remaining states that she has missed. She says that the next places she intends to visit are Lake Placid in the winter, and the Adirondacks in the summer.

Interested and interesting, dainty Miss Hill possesses a well-chosen wardrobe becoming to her curly gray hair and bright blue eyes. For everyone of her many suits, she has a matching or contrasting hat and full accessories. Incredible as it may seem, Miss Hill has made every one of her hats. Cocky pillboxes, smart turbans and chick pancake styles—all exhibit a wealth of ingenuity and imagination.

"If I hadn't been a teacher," she says, "I might have become a designer."

An ardent student of music, Frances Hill attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music for one year and spent one summer studying in Chicago. Although studying one of Beethoven's sonatas, she says she would like also to learn modern "boogie."

Among other interests, she loves professional sports and listens to all the broadcasts she is able. She plans to be out rooting for the West Texas Buffs in all athletic games here.

"People will be more interested in Nevada than in me," she maintains, and speaks frequently of her pride in the state.

"Nevada pays more per capita to educate its children than any other state," she declares. "Better still, there are seven men to every woman out there. . . I'm going back!"

She is saving her newspaper clippings of interviews which, she says, she will "some day show to her grandchildren."

Of Texas, Miss Hill gives a favorite quotation: "Texas occupies all of North America except a small part which is taken up by the United States, Canada and Mexico. If your front door isn't at least 18 miles from your front gate, then you are not in society."

West Texas State College welcomes Miss Frances Hill, and wishes her many exciting and happy years ahead.

Gamma Phi Has Freshman Tea Saturday

Gamma Phi Sorority entertained all campus freshmen and transfer girls at a fall tea Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 at Cousins Hall.

The reception room was decorated with baskets of cannas, vases of dahlias, berries and fall leaves. Jean Shaver, Mary Henslee, and Mrs. Charles Harter, sponsor of the club, greeted the guests. Helen Palmer presented each guest with a corsage. Jill Cooper presided at the guest book. Vesta O'Dell, an ex-Gamma, entertained with piano selections throughout the afternoon.

Miss Edna Graham and Mrs. Ann Wofford presided at the attractive tea table.

Goodman and Swayne Are Hostesses at A. A. U. W.

The Canyon Branch of the American Association of University Women met at the home of Miss Novella Goodman and Miss Mattie Swayne, last night at 8 o'clock. Miss Jean Moore, incoming president presided at the business meeting, following a social hour.

SOCIETY CALENDAR

October 3: Pi Omega tea for Freshmen girls and girls transferring to W. T. S. C., from 4 until 5 p. m. Open house in Cousins Hall ball room from 8 until 9 p. m. Dancing lessons after the regular sessions.

October 5: Pep Rally in front of the Administration Building, 7:30 until 9 p. m.

October 7: Hustlin' Buffs play New Mexico University in Albuquerque.

Senate Posts Are Declared Open

Organization of the student body under the leadership of class officers and the Student Senate will be discussed at the first meeting of the Student Senate this week, according to Miss Sharline Burch, President of the Student Association.

Miss Burch, a senior, has succeeded Sam Johnson, now in military service, who was elected president at the all-college election last May.

At their first meeting, it is expected that the group will set a tentative date for a Special Election, in order to name the following student officials:

Vice-president of the Student Association.

Senior Senate Post No. 1.

Senior Senate Post No. 2.

Junior Senate Post No. 2.

Junior Senate Post No. 3.

Vice-President of the Sophomore Class.

All Freshman Class officers.

All Freshman senators.

Vacancies in upper division officers and senate posts have been caused by withdrawals and transfers from college.

Instructions for nominating candidates as well as other plans for student activity will be announced in detail as soon as they are available.

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Classes Organize Sincere Friend of W. T. Dies

By Ruth Lowes

W. T. High School lost a staunch friend when Miss Jennie C. Ritchie died late last summer. Former English and social science teacher and Dean of the high school division, she inspired many of the traditions of the school which students and exes alike cherish. The Scholarship Society, the library, and the Student Council are a few of the many features of the school's organization which grew out of her constant effort to make scholarship and citizenship of first importance in the lives of high school students.

Miss Ritchie came to Canyon in 1910 as a member of the first college faculty. She served ably in many capacities as teacher and as administrator.

She liked people of all ages, but high school boys and girls were her favorites. She studied their whims and fancies, their interests and ambitions as students study books. Scores of young people in recalling her council with them admit that she knew them better than they knew themselves.

She looked at their problems through their eyes, and students learned that they could depend on her to champion every just cause.

W. T. High students will want to commemorate the memory of Miss Ritchie in some suitable manner. Whatever the expression is, it will be an inadequate tribute to the distinguished and lasting service which she rendered the school. The true memorial has been erected. It can be seen in the lives of the hundreds of students who have been influenced by her.

Hot Lunches

W. T. Demonstration School will now have hot nutritious lunches during the following school year. The typical lunch will consist of one meat or meat substitute, two vegetables, or one vegetable and a salad, bread, dessert, and a drink.

Students will find the lunches very economical. Each lunch will cost twenty cents, and tickets will be sold on a monthly basis starting Monday, October 2. Tickets will be sold to grade school students from the teachers, and high school students may buy their tickets from Mr. Morris.

Miss Maxine Klein, dietician, is supervisor of the cafeteria; Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Milner are cooks, and high school girls are serving the meals.

Those who eat in the lunch room are asked to be very considerate, and be as quiet as possible. The schedule has been worked out. Lunch hour is from 12:30 to 1:30 for the first floor of the Demonstration School, 12:45 to 2 for the second floor, and from 1:00 to 2:00 for the high school. The college from 1:15 until 2:00.

Teen Canteen

Friday was the opening of the "Teen Canteen." This is the name of W. T. High's new recreation program. The canteen will be held every Friday night at 8:00 in the Demonstration school gymnasium.

The students started things rolling with a grand march, in which they got their partners. Waltzes, modern dances, and folk dances were then done by the students.

Refreshments were served to the group. There were cookies and cold Coca Cola for everyone.

New students were given a special welcome.

WELCOME!

The Tumbleweed staff and the old students of the school hereby vote the new students a hearty welcome.

Georgia ratified the U. S. Constitution on January 2, 1788; seceded January 19, 1861; and was formally readmitted to the Union July 15, 1870.

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Calves Lose 12-6

By Alvin Jennings

W. T. High played its first football game of the season in Hale Center Friday afternoon.

Although the final score was 12-6 in favor of Hale Center, the squad fought "tooth and nail" until the final whistle blew.

Bervin (Red) Hooper, as left end, starred in the game by catching three long passes; one of which was the touchdown pass, and which was thrown by Bill Miller. Quarterback Merle Ewton called the signals of the game.

The line-up was:
Merle Ewton, Q. B.
Bill Miller, L. H. B.
Neil Jennings, R. H. B.
Irving SoRelle, F. B.
Alvin, Jennings, C.
Lee Campbell, R. G.
Bernie Heare, L. G.
Carroll SoRelle, R. T.
Ken Stone, L. T.
Bill Knighton, R. E.
Bervin Hooper, L. E.
There were many substitutes.

PAGE THE SHINE BOY

Hotel Clerk: "Why don't you wipe the mud off your shoes when you come in here?"

Kentucky Mountaineer: "What shoes?"

The powder that goes off with a bang is far more valuable today than that which goes on with a puff.

KAMPUS KLATTER

Newcomer Betty Brown seems to be doing all right with Bill Knighton and Jimmy Knott. . . . Dale Russell goes around singing "Take Me Back to Rotan." Wonder why? . . . Neal Jennings has been seen discussing Civics problems with Marcella Luke, or is it Civics? . . . Frank Hind didn't seem to have any trouble getting acquainted at W. T., especially with girls. . . . Kenneth Goodman, in order to clarify his chemistry inquired if he were element, mixture, compound or just moron. Miss Barnes, in order to clear up his confused mind, replied, "Dukes mixture, Kenneth."

Mr. W. L. Vaughan has been ill these first few days of school. Miss Adele Barnes issued books, and Mrs. T. H. Knighton has been teaching the History and Government classes in high school. All the students miss Mr. Vaughan whom they wish would come back to W. T. High soon.

Mrs. Mary Sligar, second grade teacher, has a year's leave of absence. She is in Washington, D. C. Mrs. J. B. Speer is acting as a supply teacher for Mrs. Sligar.

Miss Jean Moore is back again in her old place, teaching Social Science in the elementary grades, after taking over Army classes last year.

Miss Josephine Stueber is the new first grade teacher. Miss Steuber is replacing Miss Ruth Lowes who is now teaching in the college department of education.

Miss Stueber was primary supervisor in the El Paso schools for several years. She was also a member of the summer faculties of the University of Texas and San Diego State College.

A native Texan, she is co-author of a book, entitled "Effective Reading Instruction."

Miss Ruth Lowes who has been Kindergarten and First Grade teacher in the Demonstration school for several years resigned this fall to succeed Miss Anna I. Hibbets, in the Department of Education in the College. Miss Lowes is Head of the Primary Division of Education.

Tumbleweed Bounces Up

The teen age is a growing period and The Tumbleweed suffers from growing pains, along with its constituents. So, we have had to have a new dress (or is it a coat and a pair of pants?) (We will miss the mimeograph sheet with all its limitations, but progress must come and who are we to stand in the way of progress?)

The collegian on our right says, "High School Stuff." 'Tis true, 'tis true, oh learned friend! But think of the golden opportunity to study your teen age psychology first hand. We write it—you read it. We love it—you'll like it we hope.

But seriously we have high hopes for our paper this year. By the end of the year we hope that you will have grown fond and proud of W. T. High.

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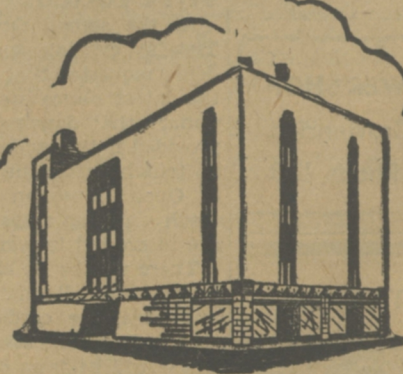
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