

Inauguration for Dr. Cornette Tomorrow

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42 Aspirants File Candidate Petitions For All-Day Election Next Wednesday

Students Will Decide Winners For Senate and Class Positions

There will be student elections at West Texas State and the time has been set for all-day Wednesday, October 6, in the main hall of the Administration Building.

Scheduled to have been held yesterday, the elections were postponed when only four petitions for the 20 vacant offices were filed before the deadline.

However, after a week's extension on filing petitions, 38 candidates were placed on the ballot plus the four from last week, making a total of 42 political aspirants.

All class officers will be chosen in addition to three freshman senators and one senior senator.

The fight over the lone senior senate post has the most candidates since five candidates have filed for that office.

All vacant offices have at least one or more people in the race.

Polling in the elections will begin at 8 o'clock this coming Wednesday in the hall with the Student Senate in charge.

Methods of voting are listed as follows: (1) Secure your ballot from an election judge; (2) mark out the names of the candidates you do not wish to vote for; (3) make sure that you vote only for the class representatives you are connected with; (4) place your student number on the ballot; (5) have an election judge sign your ballot.

The ballot appearing in connection with this story is the official ballot and places for candidates were drawn by members of the Student Senate.

Election results will be carried in next week's Prairie.

West Texas Gun Club Organizes

The West Texas State College Chapter of the National Rifle Association held their semi-monthly meeting in the auditorium Monday night, September 27. Several new prospective members were present and all expressed a desire to join.

The new charter was shown to the members by Robert Jennings, secretary of the organization. All business was taken care of and some of the rules and regulations were explained to prospective members by officers of the club.

The first shoot of the fall semester will be held on Sunday evening at the local range. This will be the first actual experience for the new members but the old members had several shoots this summer.

Plans were discussed for a turkey shoot to be held in the next few weeks to raise funds for the club's activities. Complete plans will be released at a later date.

All men and women who are at least 18 years old and who wish to belong to this organization are urged to attend the next meeting on Monday evening, October 4, at 8 o'clock in the Administration Auditorium.

-- Calendar --

Friday, October 1
6:30 p. m.—Pep Rally on steps of Administration Building.
S. C. A. meeting following the pep rally. Dean of Women's office.
Tri Tau dance after the pep rally at Randall Hall.

Saturday, October 2
10:00 a. m.—Inauguration of Dr. Cornette in the Auditorium.
1:00 p. m.—Luncheon at Cafeteria for invited guests.
4:00 p. m.—Reception for Dr. Cornette in Cafeteria. Open to the public.

8:00 p. m.—West Texas-North Texas football game.
Alpha Sigma Xi annual Brigham Young dance after the game at Burton Gym. Late permission until 1 o'clock.

Sunday, October 3
4:00 p. m.—Tea for all freshman girls and transfers at Cousins Hall.

Monday, October 4
All social clubs meet.

Tuesday, October 5
7:00 p. m.—Open House at Cousins Hall.

Square dancing at Randall Hall.

Wednesday, October 6
4:30 p. m.—Mary E. Hudspeth Honor Society initiation in the lounge of Cousins Hall.

Thursday, October 7
6:30 p. m.—Pep Rally on Administration Building steps.

Epsilon Beta Dance after pep rally at Randall Hall.

7:00 p. m.—Student Senate meeting at the Student Union Building.

Today Concludes Picture Taking

"The last day? The last day for what?" asks a dazed student.

Didn't you know, why it's the last day for all students and faculty members to have their pictures made for the 1949 Le Mirage," announces the annual staff.

Those who have not had their pictures taken, please come to room 207 in the Administration Building by 5 o'clock today and have it done. Today is also the last day to pay your space fee in the publications office.

Beginning next week proofs will be shown in room 207. There is not definite schedule set up for proof-gazing. You may come in at your leisure, either next week or the next one, October 5 to 8 and the 11 to 15. Those students who do not select their proofs within the next two weeks while they are on the campus will not be able to see them.

So—please—won't you come in—preferably next week before you forget, and take a glance at those proofs.

Educators Meet Here October 16

"Current Problems in the Elementary School" will be discussed by superintendents, principals, and elementary teachers of the Panhandle when they gather on the campus Saturday, October 16 for a conference sponsored by the School of Education. The conference is under the general direction of Professor F. E. Savage.

A panel discussion at 11 o'clock in the auditorium of the Education Building will be followed by a luncheon program. Dr. Mary C. Wilson of the School of Education of Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, Louisiana, will speak both hours. Other features of the conference will include a coffee and hospitality hour preceding the first program, music by elementary school pupils, and an exhibit of new teaching aids.

In addition to administrators and teachers of the public schools, invitations have been extended to education teachers in the junior colleges of Amarillo, Borger, Clarendon, Wayland Baptist College at Plainview, and Eastern New Mexico College at Portales. Representatives of Future Teachers of America clubs also have been invited. It is expected that many WT students who are majoring in administration or elementary education will attend the programs.

Local chairmen in charge of arrangements are Miss Novella Goodman, programs; Miss Ada V. Clark, special features; Mrs. Mary Sligar, invitations and registration; Mrs. Earline Moreman, exhibits; Miss Mae Simmons, decorations. Miss Ruth Lowes is general chairman.

The Student Senate will meet Thursday at 7 o'clock at Cousins Hall.

Tri-State Fair Opens Monday

Ladies Be Seated; All-Girl Rodeos Top Feature List

By Henry Matthews

Bright and early Monday morning the 1948 edition of the Tri-State Fair will open in Amarillo. This year's fair promises to be by far the greatest fair ever held in this section of the country. The fair will continue through Saturday.

There will be entertainment to catch the interest of everyone—young and old. Among the feature attractions of the fair will be a daily broadcast of the national radio show "Ladies Be Seated," the all-girl rodeo, the midway and the exhibits.

One of the biggest attractions of the fair will be the "Ladies Be Seated" program. More than \$7,000 in prizes will be given to participants of the performances, five of which will be broadcast nationally over ABC and KFDA in Amarillo. The program will be staged at the Sports arena, which has a seating capacity of 3,000.

All-Girl Rodeo

The female sex will attempt to prove to the male sex just how superior they are in the all-girl rodeo. This all-feminine show had its beginning with last year's fair, and was such a great feature that popular demand forced the plans for a greater one this year. These girls are no softies—they ride 'em, lasso 'em and break 'em, with all the thrill of the Old West.

At the midway one will find all the usual displays, games, fortune tellers and shows which always attract a crowd like honey attracts flies.

Last but far from least is the backbone of any fair—the exhibits. In the many exhibit buildings visitors to the Tri-State Fair will find the displays of merchants, farmers, ranchers, dairymen, housewives, etc., from all over the Tri-State area.

Cattle Exhibits

There will be exhibits of cattle, swine, grains, dairy products, culinary, rabbits and horses. Animals and products of each class will be judged and the choice of the lot will be given prizes and ribbons.

Monday, the opening day, is Canyon Day at the fair so let's all go up to Amarillo and have a wonderful time during this 1948 Tri-State Fair.

Senate Chooses New Executives

Edith Mae Morrow, Pampa, was named as editor of the 1949 Le Mirage at the regular weekly meeting of the Student Senate held Wednesday evening at Cousins Hall.

Arlotta Williams, Amarillo, was named as business manager of the annual.

Vaughn Vandergriff, Canyon, was selected as editor of The Prairie for the long session and Jess Pipkin, Farwell, was named business manager of the paper.

Bulldog Bandsters Saturday Guests

Under the direction of Fred W. Carpenter, the Borger High School band will assist the Buffalo Band in half-time entertainment for the West Texas State-North Texas State football game Saturday night at Buffalo Stadium.

"This excursion will be the first out of Borger this season for the 98 piece company," stated Jerry Newman, director of the Buffalo Band. "The Borger musicians will be suited out in new uniforms for their first time and I am sure they will put on a very colorful and dazzling performance."

This practice of having a high school band as a guest each week was started only this season and already the Sandie Band from Amarillo and the Harvester Band from Pampa have performed here.

Two Trips Ahead For WTexas Band

The West Texas State Buffalo Band takes to the road next week for two trips. The first is to Amarillo, Monday, October 4, for the parade at the opening day of the Tri-State Fair. After the parade the band will give a short concert at the fair grounds.

The second trip is to El Paso. Present plans call for the band to leave early Saturday morning, October 8, for the football game between the West Texas Buffaloes and Texas School of Mines. They will spend the night in El Paso and return sometime Sunday.

"The West Texas State Band has about eighty pieces this year, but there are still some openings for anyone that would like to play in the band this year," said Jerry Newman, Buffalo Band Director.

Chorus Members Still Needed

There are still vacancies in both Men's and Women's Chorus. These organizations are open without restriction to all students. Men's Chorus rehearses regularly on Tuesdays at 4:30 in Room 101, and Women's Chorus on Thursdays at 4:30 in the auditorium.

The Madrigal Club (WT's a cappella choir) still has some vacancies, principally in the tenor and alto sections. Any student who has had previous choir experience is invited to tryout for membership, and those who sing tenor or alto are particularly urged to see Houston Bright in the music office immediately, or to come to the next rehearsal. Regular rehearsal periods are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 4:30 in the main auditorium.

Pep Rally Tonight At 6:30!!!

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A specialty number by Noraann McReynolds, sophomore from Phillips, will be the main attraction at the regular "before game" pep rally scheduled for 6:30 tonight on the Administration Building steps.

Rosie Bates, cheerleader, disclosed that each pep rally will have a special feature.

Last week four freshman boys dressed as girls and representing A. C. C. made up the specialty act. Jerry Newman and the Buffalo Band will entertain throughout the rally.

Again, cheerleaders are asking everyone to attend the rally for this very important game with North Texas State.

Initiation of members of Mary E. Hudspeth Society will be held in the lounge at Cousins Hall Wednesday afternoon, October 6, at 4:30.

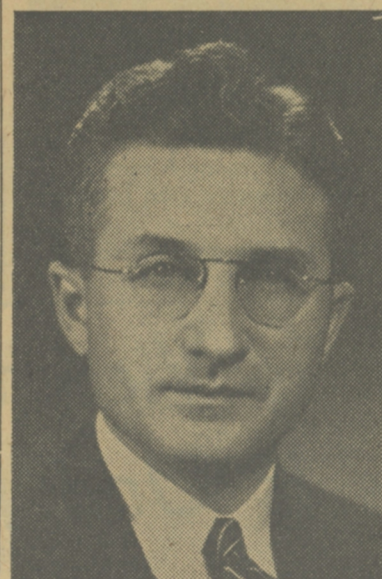
National and State Leaders Gather Here for Saturday Ceremonial

Formal inauguration of Dr. James P. Cornette as the third president of West Texas State College will be conducted here Saturday.

Sponsored by the Texas State Teachers Colleges Board of Regents, the ceremonies will start at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. A processional will be assembled at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society Museum and will reach the Ad Building auditorium in time for the morning program to start at 10 o'clock.

Dr. D. A. Shirley, dean of the college, is chairman of the Inaugural Committee.

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Dr. J. P. Cornette

An inaugural luncheon will be held in the College Cafeteria at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. A public reception will be held at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the foyer of the College Cafeteria.

Forty institutions of higher learning will be represented at the inauguration as well as 14 learned societies and educational and professional organizations.

Gov. Beauford Jester's representative of the State of Texas will be C. Lane McAfee.

The City of Canyon will be represented by Mayor W. A. Warren.

Randall County's representative will be County Judge Burney Slack. The West Texas State College Extension Association will be represented by its president, Walter Travis, and George Black, president of the Student Senate, will represent the students of West Texas State.

Dean Shirley will preside at the inauguration. The program will start with the invocation by Dr. Roy Johnson, minister of the First Baptist Church, Canyon.

The West Texas State College Band will play after which the delegates of other institutions will be recognized.

Kerr Presides

William L. Kerr, Midland, president of the board of regents will introduce Dr. Cornette. Dr. Cornette's inaugural address will follow.

A violin solo by Lewis Stoelzing, accompanied at the piano by Matilda Gaume, the Benediction by Rev. Hubert Thomson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Canyon, and the singing of Alma Mater will follow in order.

The recessional will close the morning session. In addition to Mr. Kerr the following members of the board of regents will be present:

Newton Harrell, Claude; S. A. Kerr, Jr., Jacksonville; H. L. Mills, Houston; V. A. Collins, Livingston; Mrs. J. K. Berretta, San Antonio; Walter Woodul, Houston; Malvin C. Eldson, Luling; and R. L. Thomas, Dallas.

The oldest institution represented on the delegates' list is the University of Michigan which was established in 1817. Frank T. O'Brien is the representative.

The youngest institution on the list is Eastern New Mexico College which was established in 1934. Floyd Dewey Golden, president and graduate of West Texas State, is the delegate from Eastern New Mexico.

Following is the list of institutions of higher learning with date of establishment and name of delegate: University of Michigan, 1817, Frank T. O'Brien

University of Virginia, 1840, Ben Stone

Judson College, 1838, Melen White Moore

Southwestern University, 1840, John H. Vaughan

Baylor University, 1845, Walter J. Juniper

University of the South, 1857, George H. Quarterman

University of Kentucky, 1865, Neal Durant Cannon

University of Kansas, 1866, Fred Post

Peru State Teachers College, 1867, William L. Nicholas, President

Trinity University, 1869, Joel L. Alldridge

Central Missouri State College, 1871, Louisa Grace Erdman

Vanderbilt University, 1872, Joseph eLe Duflot

Texas Christian University, 1873, A. D. Weatherly

George Peabody College for Teachers, 1875, William C. Jones

Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, 1876, H. E. Shahan

Sam Houston State Teachers College, 1879, Harman Lowman, President

Georgia Institute of Technology, 1885, William T. Lyford

State Teachers College, Mayville, North Dakota, 1889, Lura Casper, President

Howard Payne College, 1889, Thomas Hendricks Taylor, President

North Texas State Teachers College, 1890, W. Joseph McConnell, President

Hardin-Simmons University, 1891, Rupert Nerval Richardson, President

John Tarleton Agricultural College, 1889, Lewis Nordlyke

Southwest Texas State Teachers College, 1899, John C. Flowers, President

Texas State College for Women, 1901, Mrs. Frank R. Phillips

Wayland College, 1908, J. W. Marshall, President

Southern Methodist University, 1911, Claude Andrew Nichols

Rice Institute, 1812, John L. Hannon

Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy, 1913, E. M. Thomas, Acting President

Texas Military College, 1915, Bernard Bradson Abrams, President

North Texas Agricultural College, 1917, E. H. Hereford, President

Sul Ross State Teachers College, (Continued on page 4)

Tickets to Navy Band Performances Go on Sale Today



The United States Navy Band will give two concerts in the Auditorium on the campus of West Texas State College Thursday, October 14. This is probably the world's finest musical organization of its kind today. It will by far be one of the outstanding attractions of the school year. For many people, it will be the first opportunity to hear such a fine aggregation of musicians.

Designed primarily for the youth of this area, the afternoon concert will be devoted to popular music, jazz and classics and novelties that are meant to be sheer fun. The matinee performance is mostly for the

high school students in the Panhandle, but some tickets will be on sale for the students and faculty of WT. The tickets will go on sale today at the bandhouse for ninety cents as there are no reserved seats for the afternoon performance.

The night performance, which begins at 8 p. m., will contain a variety of songs. Tickets for the evening performance are also on sale at the band house. Tickets for

the evening performance are opened to public as well as the student body and faculty. All seats are reserved and the prices are \$1.20 and \$1.80.

The Navy Band is made up of 50 musicians. Of the 50 musicians, 10 are soloists and will perform either at the matinee or evening concert. The program is scheduled to last at least one hour and forty-five minutes. Proceeds from the concert go to the Buffalo Band.

NOTICES

All juniors and seniors with a "B" average or above who have completed a minimum of 30 hours at WT, and who desire to become members of Alpha Chi must make application to one of the sponsors before Saturday, October 2, 1948.

All qualified students are urged to submit applications to Dr. Mack in room 109 Eng. Dr. Anderson in room 201, or Mr. Coffee in room 112 as soon as possible.

There will be a meeting of all seniors Tuesday morning, October 5, at 10 o'clock in Room 208 of the Science Building.

It is urgent that every member be there since a representative of an engraving company will be here to talk about graduation invitations.

School will be dismissed at noon Monday, October 4, so that students and faculty of West Texas State may attend the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

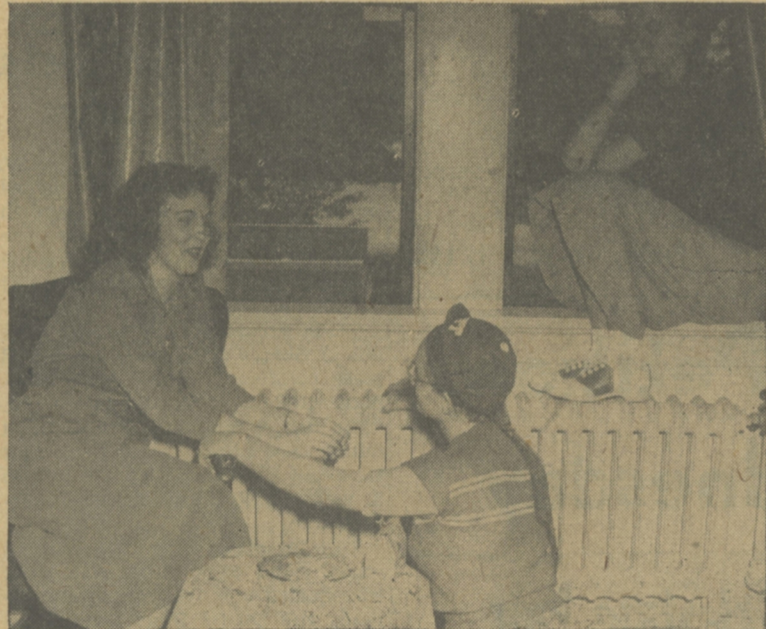
Students who have their brown books are urged to return them to the registrar's office immediately.

Hellzapoppin Creators Have Nothing on WT Students



It is all in the day of a slime, especially during Hell Week. It seems as if Upperclassman Joe Page is enjoying himself while the unknown little Frosh painfully scrubs away with his toothbrush.

We did find out that the slime does have another tooth instrument, so you health officials need not get aroused.



This slime gal is catching h--- from Upperclassman Dorothy Rushing while another upper sits by and enjoys the torture thoroughly. Rumors have it that this is one of the easier fish routines in the dormitories and that one should only see the slimes when their masters really get angry.

For the Upperclass -- Cheers! For the Slimes -- Tears! Great Day Monday Morning

By Mary Jim Vincent

"A lowly, lowly freshman am I
"With my beautiful cap of green
"I don't pass upperclassmen by
"And pretend that I've not been seen!
"I obey their every desire and command
"I never whimper, cry, or disobey,
"But help them with a willing hand
"Hoping they can find something else for me to do this day!"

Thus goes the current favorite in the poetry field among the freshman girls at Cousins Hall. The Cousins fish have been only too happy to recite the above poem at any time this week upon the request of their upperclassmen.

Frosh from all the dormitories, both boys and girls, are now in the midst of Hell Week. Together, the freshmen from all the halls add a pleasing (?) note of color to the campus scene.

No freshman girl—surely—would ever admit the red and pink we saw her wearing at the first of the week was not her favorite color combination or that she was not simply mad over checks, stripes, and plaids worn together.

One of the current fashion fads among them—upperclassmen, take notice—is the new way the fish (at the suggestion of their uppers) have found to wear their high-heeled dress shoes. The girls at Cousins like theirs with anklets while those at Randall seem to prefer theirs with blue jeans. The most fetching way, though is to wear one high-heeled shoe on one foot and a low-heeled shoe on the other.

Freshman boys at both Stafford and Conner Halls have found a

new way to wear the same old clothes—they tried wearing them backwards this week.

Bathrobes are good on the campus, among the boys, while the girls hold out for pajama bottoms showing under their skirts and mules. Towels worn on the head have been favored by both the boys and the girls this week.

Upperclassmen! It is old-fashioned to carry your books in your arms from class to class. Take heed from the freshmen, who carry theirs on coat-hangers, in pillow-cases, and in suitcases.

A new interest in statistics has been discovered among the boys. They have been busying themselves with finding out the measurements of various representatives of femininity on the campus. Your data is probably incorrect, boys, unless you add approximately two inches to the waist measurement given to

you by each girl and make her shoe size one larger.

While the boys have been compiling their statistics, the girls have discovered a new interest for themselves. Their's is fishing—that's right, fishing. Of course, being only freshmen, they don't yet realize that to catch fish you have to try it some place besides the fence between the Education and Administration Buildings. Try water next time, girls.

It hasn't been too hard to get used to seeing conga lines thread their way through the tables at the cafeteria or boys on their hands and knees barking at those who leave. Misbehavior or failure to comply with the orders of his elders must of course be taken care of, and in case anyone wonders, that is why the boy was seen in the cafeteria with a bucket over his head. He? know better next time!

It's a good thing winter is still a way's off or some of our freshman athletes might freeze to death. A very eventful thing happened to them this week—their beautiful curly locks are now numbered among the missing and their favorite hair-do is now a-la-billard-ball.

This has been a hard week, both for the freshman and for the upperclassmen, but it's nearly over and then we can all look back on Hell Week with a smile. It won't be long before we hear you fish saying "Now when I was a freshman—" or before you are giving your slime orders.

Now that you're nearly through with it, won't you freshmen break down and admit that instead of a helluva week it's been a helluva lot of fun?

Victory Bell Is Victim of War Housing; East Stands Is Undignified Home for It

By Vaughn Vandergriff

(This story is recorded just as it was told to a reporter by the VICTORY BELL in its ugly home underneath the east stands of Buffalo Stadium.)

"Ding-Dong — Ding-Dong — Ding-g-g-g—

"I ask you—what have I done to deserve this type of treatment?" whined the bell.

"For over forty years I have tried to live a decent and useful life—but it appears all my efforts have been in vain and I don't mind telling you that my pride is deeply hurt.

"You don't know my history, do you Joe College? You don't have the least idea of the services I have rendered.

"Well, I was content not to tell anyone so long as I was cared for and treated with respect. I don't want to beg for pity for I am too courageous for that. But now my bronze dander is up and I just want to tell you of my past and then let you be the judge as to whether I deserve these humiliating conditions presently surrounding me.

"It was way back—I reckon around the turn of the century when I came out of the factory up east—bright and shiny and with the mellowest and sweetest tone you ever heard a bell ring. I was bolted on a brand new locomotive—let's see—I believe I even know the number—yes, it was engine number 1497.

"Little time passed before we found out that we were to run over the Santa Fe and become a member of that fine railroad company. Also, little time passed before me and Ole 1497 became real pals and what fun we did have.

"We raced out of the east and down to the Texas plains and over the Rockies and to the Pacific again. We always were so happy as we whizzed through small towns, big towns, across the level ground and up the grades, through rain, snow, hail, wind—we were always gay and happy.

It did us good to see the little children meet us at the crossing and wave. When we saw them Ole 1497 would let off steam to amuse them and I would ring and ring just the best I knew how.

"I even remember the farm ladies would come running to their doors and set the faithful alarm clock with our passing.

"We did that, I amagine over thirty years, until at last it dawned on us that we were growing old. Ole 1497 was getting slower and slower and I—my voice was becoming hollow and thin and it even cracked once in a while.

"Like any useful servant we fought against the time when we would have to give way to newer and younger workers.

Last Run

"But about 1935 we were ordered to Amarillo, Texas to the round-house and we knew our runs were ended.

"I was taken off Ole 1497—I tried to ring out in defense—but to no avail. I was taken to an obscure corner of the yards and dumped.

"Life to me was useless until one day in February of 1940 when I heard new voices—eager and young. A group of youths with some influential officials hovered over me. I listened intently to their conversation and learned that I was to be given to a West Texas State College at Canyon, Texas. I was to become a VICTORY BELL.

"I certainly perked up then.

"A few days and an 18-mile trip later I was hoisted to the top of Burton Gym—right in the middle of that campus. I was placed—with careful hands—on a mounting and left. My loneliness was short-lived, however, for on February 16 and again on the 17, I rang out the victories of Buffalo basketball team over St. Mary's University of San

Antonio.

"I was king of the campus as I perched on my throne and rang out victory after victory. When the school team lost—I silently suffered the defeat along with the student body.

Moved Again

"One day nearly two years ago some men took me down and carried me across the football field and stuck me high atop the press box on the west side of Buffalo Field.

"I really didn't mind this because I was still up high in my guardian post and I was still able to spell out the news of victory to the folks for miles around.

"Just recently though, Joe College I was hauled down from my airy perch and carried back across the football field.

"You can see where they put me—underneath this dark, untidy, dreary east stadium. I can't see what's happening anymore. I can't even see the ball game.

Chained

"It almost killed me when they put that horrible chain around my neck and strung me up here. I suppose they wanted to hang me by the neck until dead—but I refuse to give up. I will not stay here without a terrific struggle.

"I have managed to squeak out victory news for two games so far, but I don't think many heard me. How can I ring with this chain around my neck and imprisoned away under here.

"You know where I'd like to be, Joe—I'd like to be right over there next to that rock fence at the south end of the field. I would like to have me an especially built platform. Then I could do my job and regain my pride.

"I wouldn't have told you this story unless I was desperate. I am appealing for someone—some club—some group—some class—to fix me that spot where I can once again become the SOMEBODY I should be.

"So long, Joe—see what you can do for me—Ding-Dong ding-dong—ding-g-g-g-g—"



Senate Meeting Minutes Now Open for Student Recognition

Wednesday, 22, 1948.

The first meeting of the Student Senate Association met with President George Black in the chair.

Virgil Henson, college business manager, spoke concerning the plans for the new Student Union. He presented a check of \$1500.00 to cover part of the expenses for operation during the coming year. This money's expenditure will be under full responsibility of the Senate.

Clark Jarnagin, manager of the College Book Store, and who was also present will lagree to the actual management and okay all vouchers. Other policies were also discussed.

There followed a debate of what students wanted most in their new

center. Used as reference was the student vote taken in a last year's assembly. Card tables and ping pong tables rated highest. Installation of cold drink machines was planned. A juke box has already been purchased.

"Buck" Garrett moved that materials already on hand should be used. Jack Worsham seconded, and the motion carried.

Don Turner and Jack Worsham were appointed to select stationery for the association.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p. m.

Respectively submitted,
Betty June Euler,
Secretary.



Pictured from left to right are: Clark Jarnagin, Director of the Book Store; Virgil Henson, Business Manager; George Black, Student President; and Dr. S. H. Condron, Senate Advisor.

Some Like it Hot, Some Like it Cold -- For Us It's Just Right

Some people admire one more than the other—the flowering of spring—the coming of autumn. Each season has its points, and each has its admirers.

We are now in that season of the year that is sometimes called Indian summer—a season of clear skies, of smoke-like atmosphere, of crisp mornings and warm afternoons. It is then that the pecans and walnuts and hickory-nuts fall and may be gathered for use during the coming winter—when the acorns drop and help to fatten the hogs and to feed the squirrels, who eat some and store others. It is a pleasant season, usually, and has its points. It differs from spring

markedly in one respect, in that it leads us to increase our movement as we walk about our business.

Spring is a wonderful season. When the first mouse-ears of green leaves appear, when the plows increase their work of turning the soil for another crop, when the birds are twittering as they go about building their homes for rearing a family, when we have that pleasant lassitude that we call spring fever caused by the warmth following the winter's cold—and when the first crack of the bat against the ball tells us that baseball is beginning for another round. The planter looks forward to a bountiful return for his labor, and hopes for as little damage by weather and insects as may be possible.

The autumn brings the fairs and football and a renewal of social functions that were reduced with the passing of spring and the coming of summer. It brings hopes of a not-too-severe winter and yet one cold enough to convince us that Texas has the greatest variety, the widest range of weather, of any state in the Union. And Texas, as the biggest state, should have that.—H. M.

It's a Privilege To Vote Wednesday Is the Time

Wednesday, October 6, from 8 a. m. until 6 p. m., there will be the election of all class officers and four new members of the Student Senate.

Your presence at the polls for this occasion is needed. Approximately 1229 students hold the extreme privilege of casting a vote for fellow students who will carry on the jobs of administration this year. 1229 votes are needed in order to make this a real choice of student representation.

A record vote of a little over 600 was counted in the fall of last year—which would measure up to about half the student body on the campus.

Can't we make this a banner year in school interest?

Everything about the campus is perking up in spirit, attitude, and a feeling of belonging. Now if we can just incorporate those items into the voting for this election—West Texas State will be off to a flying start.

If you fail to cast a vote Wednesday—and your candidate does not win or if you are dissatisfied at a later date with the management of student body affairs—just remember that we urged you to vote and that you gave up that privilege. The blame will lie with you.

So, how about it—let's go to the polls Saturday and not let a Hansford County deal crop up here!

Rip Winkle Could Sleep We Go Him One Better

Again, we remind the Homecoming Committee.

Shouldn't plans be started now for that great celebration which is only some 30 days away?

An editorial designed to spur them into action was printed in The Prairie two weeks ago but no activity from their direction has been heard or seen as yet.

Why must we always wait until the last moment for a thing such as this when they only happen once a year?

Come on—let's wake up and get on the ball!



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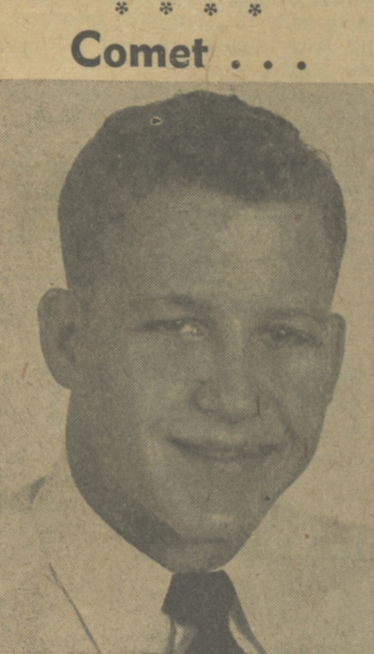
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West Texas Awaits NT Eagles' Arrival

Two Intramural Sports Are Scheduled for Fall

Saturday night on Buffalo Field West Texas State will meet another state college, North Texas of Denton, in what will probably be one of the hardest games the Buffs face this year. The Eagles, coached by Odus Mitchell, an ex-student of WT and one of its all-time athletic greats, will give the Buffs a rough time and will no doubt try to better their last score, if possible. It'll be like old home week for the coaching staff and several members of the North Texas squad when the Eagles travel up this way to meet the Buffs.



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Freshmen Take on Tech Fish Today

West Texas State College Freshmen squad will play the Texas Tech Freshmen in Lubbock this afternoon. This will be the WT-Fresh's second game. They beat the Panhandle A&M senior college eleven 13 to 7 in their first game.

Bordon Price, West Texas Freshmen coach, has announced the following will make the trip to Lubbock:

Ends—Dorman Williamson, 170, Childress; Joe Spann, 180, Munday; Charles Keeton, 185, Lefors; Walker Bateman, 165, Plainview; Austell Burrus, 175, Canyon.

Tackles—John Poindexter, 190,

Buffaloes Smash ACC 41-19 as Backs Shine

The Eagles do not expect to find the Buffs anywhere near the easy competition Randolph Field gave them as they pounced the Ramblers 86-0 last Saturday. They do expect to find the Buffs more like the Oklahoma City University Chiefs, who opened the NT season by whipping the Eagles 14-6.

A quirk of this game is the fact that it isn't the first time these two coaches have met on the field of play. Odus Mitchell was a star Buff in about 1925, the same year Coach Frank Kimbrough was a star Cowboy from Hardin-Simmons. That was the last time the Buffs ever beat Hardin-Simmons up to date. It is a cinch that Mitchell will be trying to keep his record against Kimbrough as clean as possible.

Buffalo gridders may and may not be in top shape. A couple of starters and top reserves did not get in the scrap against ACC last week, and will be only playing part-time, if any against the Eagles. However, for the first time this year, Harold Dalton, guard who was injured in spring training, played a little in the Wildcat game and may be able to see more and more action as the season progresses.

Several Eagles will be returning to their home area. Bill Lalicker of Canadian will probably start. A shifty, hard runner, he is expected to do much carrying. Hubert Marvel, backfield defensive specialist, is from Panhandle, where he lettered three years and made all-district two years. A track man, he is also a navy vet. Ace Toke, running mate at fullback, lettered in football five years at Panhandle and made all-district squad in '44, '45 and '46. Bill Bishop, a 200-pound tackle from Borger, is a reserve tackle. Jim Scott, a four year letterman and all-district center at Borger, is in the same capacity.

Another home game and another victory. So goes the story of the Buffaloes' victory over ACC Saturday night, 41-19. It was an entirely different story than the Wildcats told last year and much better than the one told last week at Tech.

The Buffs cut loose in the first quarter and scored in every period to bring the score up that high. It would have been higher, had two touchdowns not been called back on penalties.

The WT team rolled up 338 yards on the ground and another 38 in the air. As those figures show, there was hardly any need for a passing attack.

Except for a couple of long runs, including a 61-yard jaunt for the Wildcats, the Buffs held the highly regarded V. T. Smith comparatively low in yardage.

But on the other side there was a lot of long running on the Buff side. Lloyd Johnson, Bill Cross, Cloyce Box, Ernest Kendrick and Charles Wright all cut loose with all their fury and piled up a lot of yardage for their individual averages.

The first score of the game came early in the first period after the Buffs had kicked off to ACC and had forced them to punt. The Buffs recovered a fumble on the Wildcat 19 and from there Johnson ran to the 10, then to the 3 and Cloyce Box carried it over in two plays.

Freeman Junior Melton's toe was true five out of the six tries Saturday night as he converted for all but one of the extra points.

The next tally was rung up by Bill Cross who scampered 78 yards down the sidelines for the score. The score at the end of the first quarter was 14-0.

The Buffs scored only once in the second period. After a blocked punt and a penalty against the 'Cats, Box went to the 43 and then Johnson took it all the way on the next play. Melton's miss was the only one of the night. At the half the score stood 20-0.

Only 4 1/2 minutes of the second half of the game passed before the WT team tallied for the fourth time. A pass from Box to Charles Kitchens got to the 6 from where Johnson powered over.

But about this time a jolt came from ACC who got under way on a passing combination which clicked. Charles Morris passed to Ragus and Wilson down to the 1 and J. D. Brown charged over, the point being good the score then stood 27-13.

Charles Wright got one of the nicest runs of the evening as he returned an ACC kickoff 40 yards to the Wildcat 45 and again took the ball for a first down on the 35. A handoff, Box to Wright to Kendrick, the fleet footed Ernest raced and dodged the whole ACC team to score.

On the first play after the kick-off, Smith took the ball and raced all the way down the field for his 61 yard run and the second Wildcat score. The kick missed and the score was 34-13.

The fourth period was barely

Passes . . .
... and Repasses

By Frank Stallings

Little or no further comment needs to be said about the way the Buffs performed last week before the scrawny crowd who appeared for the ACC game. Those who missed the game would have enjoyed it immensely. All those, except the ACC boosters, who attended the game were highly pleased with the outcome. It sort of paid the Wildcats back for the whipping we got in 1947.

But to continue with the halftime entertainment at the last game, it was something to behold. The Buffalo band, which followed an excellent performance by the Pampa High School band, is really getting up to date when they start giving their idea of shmoos and such things as that. But the crowd enjoyed it anyway. Another high school band will be on hand tomorrow night for the North Texas game.

Speaking of North Texas, the game tomorrow will be a great one and probably one of the hardest of the season for the Buffs. However, they should not try so hard as to get all battered up, for the next game is with the Miners in El Paso and is one which the Buffs will need badly for a chance at the top spot in the Border Conference. But still, the reception planned for the Eagles and the Coach, former Buffalo Odus Mitchell, should be warm enough to let them know that Eagles are no match for the tough hides of Buffs.

Speaking of athletics, one of the yearly sports for the guys in the Courts, that is, the shaving of the heads of freshman athletes, was apparent last Wednesday morning. It was cold that morning, too. Some of those poor little fish might have gotten their heads frozen, were it not for the scanty protection of freshman caps.

Up to now, the weather for football has been almost perfect. All three of the games so far have been played with practically none or very little wind and the warm air seemed to put more fire into the teams.

started when Box ran from the ACC 33 for a first down on the 2. He drove over on the next play. Melton's kick was good and the score was 41-13.

Another aerial attack resulted in the last tally of the game as Russell Coffee threw and connected three passes for the score, with some ground gaining in between.

The crowd was down to about 4,500 after a record opening game crowd, but the weather for the game was perfect, cool and yet not too cool for football.

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Since the freshman football team is using the equipment usually reserved for intramural teams, this year's gridiron play for those not on the Buff squad will play touch-pass ball, announced Milton Morris, intramural supervisor early this week.

Also on the docket for intramural players this fall is a tennis tournament, with play beginning Friday, October 8.

Rules for entering the football tournament as set by Morris and the athletic directors of the dormitories, consist of the following:

Entries, which include the roster of all members of the teams, must be turned in to the office at Conner Hall not later than Monday, October 4.

Any organization or independent team may enter a team; however, an independent team may not have more than 12 players, each of whom must be listed before Monday. Organizations are not limited to the number of players, but each member of the squad must be a member of that organization.

Sponsors of the organizations entered must certify that each member of the team is affiliated with the club.

Touch football consists of a seven man team, and games will be played either north of Buffalo stadium on the baseball diamond or on the field just east of Buffalo field. Rules may be obtained at Conner Hall.

Games will begin October 11 with each team entered playing one game with every other team.

To enter the tennis tourney, a man must present his name to Mr. Morris before October 8 to be considered an entry. Entries may be turned in any time.

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