

Gigantic Parade Slated for Homecoming

Jack Ballew Wins Fair Honors With Champion Hampshires

The price of pork is high! If you don't believe it just ask Jack Ballew, senior agriculture student from Clarendon.

Jack recently made history for the West Texas Agriculture Department by sweeping almost all the top prizes in the Hampshire hog show at the Texas State Fair in Dallas.

Last spring, as soon as Jack got out of school, he put his Hampshire barrows on feed and after hard work all summer, he entered his show group in the State Fair contests.

The reward for long hours of work and study came when he won first and second places in the Hampshire division with his heavy barrows, the hogs weighing 260 pounds each.

He then competed for the grand championship of Hampshires with his first place barrow and won the grand champion single of the entire Hampshire show.

Next on the list of attempts and victories came about when Jack was awarded first place for the best pen of three Hampshires.

Not satisfied with this accomplishment he entered this pen in the grand championship and walked off with the top prize.

At this point, Jack went into the real competition by entering his winners in the grand championship of the entire show.

Yes, you guessed it—he marked up winners in both events.

This gave Jack two grand champions of the entire swine show and there were about 500 entries in the hog division.

His grand champ barrow brought \$2 per pound which netted \$520 and the other barrows which weighed 260 pounds each brought 75 cents per pound.

Altogether, Jack received \$910 for his efforts plus \$125 premium money. So, if pork is too high for you to buy—blame Jack Ballew!

Even so—West Texas State is proud of its outstanding agriculture student.

Assembly Rally To Be Broadcast

The assembly for Thursday, October 28 will consist of a special Homecoming program and will be relayed to radio station KGNC in Amarillo for delayed broadcast at 11:15 a.m.

There will be a student master of ceremonies who will make only those announcements which are pertinent to the activities of Homecoming. Planner of the program is Crannell Tolliver, head of the Speech Department.

The fifteen-minute program will consist of music by the Buffalo Band, student yells, and singing the school songs.

English Workshop Attracts Teachers To Amarillo Meet

Approximately 100 teachers from 34 high schools and 4 colleges attended the English Workshop at Amarillo High School Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16.

Panel discussions on teaching mechanics and composition, improving reading comprehension and developing appreciation of literature were held.

Mrs. Nelle Alexander, West Texas Demonstration School, directed the discussion of literature. Dr. A. K. Knott, West Texas State English professor, headed the study of reading. Loula Grace Erdman, also of the West Texas State faculty, addressed the dinner meeting.

The next session of this Workshop will be held on the campus of West Texas State next October.

Robert Tristram Coffin, noted writer, will be the guest speaker.

Cornette Appoints Radio Council

A radio council has been appointed by Dr. Cornette for the purpose of acting in an advisory capacity in the planning of a long-range radio program for West Texas State.

Serving as the chairman of this committee will be Jack Walker of the Speech Department.

Working with him will be Dr. A. K. Knott and Loula Grace Erdman of the English Department; Dr. L. F. Sheffy, History Department; the director of the Buffalo Band, Jerry Newman; Cecil Briggs, principal of the West Texas Demonstration School; and Jerry Malin of the Journalism Department.

This committee will work out a program of maximum interest to the students and patrons of West Texas State and the people of this area.

The first meeting will be held Thursday, October 28, at 2:30 p.m. in the office of Dr. Cornette.

Dr. Onah Jacks will have charge of Freshman Assembly Tuesday morning at 10:00 and Freshmen are reminded that the roll is checked.

WTexans To Hear Cotton Bowl Game

Those students who will be unable to make the trek to Dallas for Saturday's game with East Texas State may hear a wire report of the game.

The report will be relayed to the campus direct from the studios of Radio Station KVAI in Amarillo, and can be heard over a loudspeaker which will be set up in the auditorium of the Speech Arts Building. This arrangement was used in the transmission of the Hardin College game last week, and was satisfactory enough to warrant its continuation this week.

An invitation is extended to all Buffalo boosters.

Student Senate Extends Financial Offer to Students

A very profitable venture is in store for two people willing to put out a little effort!

George Black, president of the Student Association, has issued a call for two students to formulate the Student Directory. This would entail selling ads, gathering the lists of students, home towns, halls, etc.

Last year's workers recognized a neat profit of approximately \$100 each for about 3 weeks' work.

Applicants should write a letter of application and personally present this to George.

Time is awasting! And money is available to two enterprising students!

Many Other Festivities Listed As Homecoming Fete Nears

As time draws near for the annual Homecoming festivities October 29 and 30, so does the list of entertainment grow.

A late report from Ted Reid, chairman of the parade committee, reveals that one of the biggest parades in the history of the Panhandle will be staged beginning at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, October 30.

Scheduled to be at least five miles long, the affair has been designated as "The Parade of Progress."

The huge caravan of bands, dignitaries, floats, horses and other attractions will move from the highway on Third Avenue to 15th Street; turn in front of the Post Office to Fourth Avenue and back down Fourth to the Museum. The parade will turn north at the Museum and disband behind Stafford Hall and near Buffalo Stadium.

Named to lead the colorful pageant is the West Texas State Buffalo Band headed by Drum Major Charles Bell of Plainview.

Following the band will be Dr. and Mrs. James P. Cornette, Newton Harrell, vice-president of the Board of Regents, and his mother Mrs. Ed Harrell, prominent plainswoman. This group will be on horses.

The next section in the parade will contain pioneer plainsmen and pioneer school teachers of this area. As many as possible of these will ride horses while a number will ride on floats.

Following this section will be the floats and visiting bands.

Most all the college organizations, clubs, dormitories and groups will have colorful floats in this section in addition to floats from civic clubs of Canyon and this area and entries from the business houses.

Spaced appropriately among these floats will be the bands. Approximately 25 guest organizations are expected and those already invited in-

Flash!

As a result of balloting in assembly yesterday, Western Days for Homecoming and the traditional dipping vat, will begin Wednesday, October 27, instead of Friday as originally planned.

clude: Friona, Wellington, Shamrock, Dimmitt, Floydada, Lockney, Littlefield, Perryton, Portales, N. M., McLean, Tulia, Childress, White Deer, Dumas, Plainview, Canyon, Phillips, Elizabeth Nixon and Sam Houston of Amarillo, Tucumcari, N. M., Memphis, Canadian, Hereford and Clarendon.

Concluding the parade will be the mounted section made up of repre-

Pecos Bill Never Looked Like This!



"What did you use on that beard—vigoro?" asks Gort Rushmer, sophomore from Amarillo, as he examines the homecoming beard of Steve Self, senior from Tulia. And Gort just had to measure the fuzzy stuff and two or three hairs stretched out to about two-and-a-half inches.

Steve started his wind-breaker almost two months ago in preparation for Homecoming. He was taking no chances on not being Western enough to avoid the horse-tank come Wednesday.

Steve is a recent father and he doubts if his son will recognize him when it comes time to de-hide.

sentatives from 20 Roping Clubs, Rodeo Associations and horsemen's organizations which have been invited to participate.

At the same time of the parade over 100 airplanes from all the

Plains area will take off from the College Airport, fly in a triangle from the airport to the courthouse and then to the college.

All planes of 85 m.p.h. or less will (Continued on page 4)

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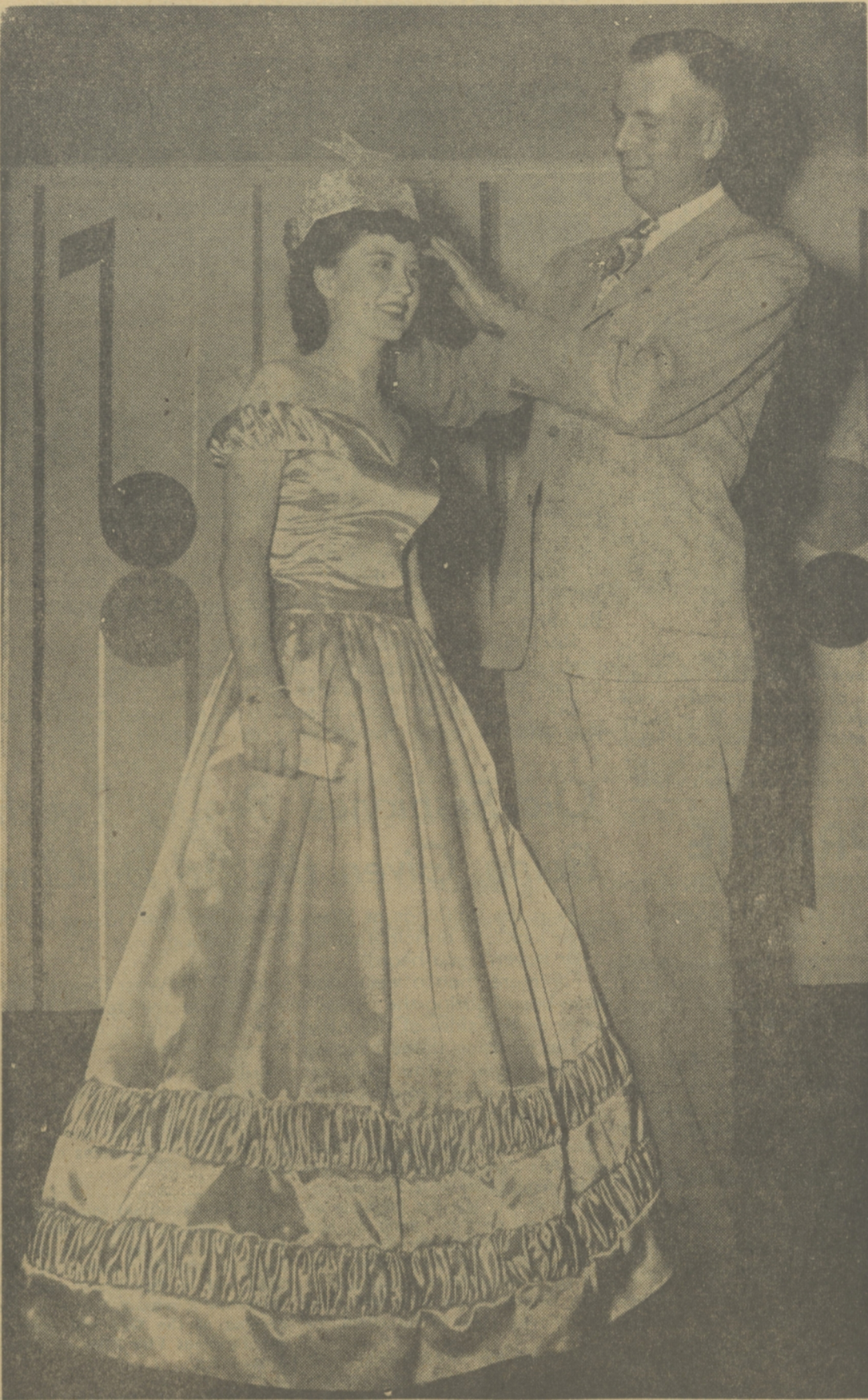
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Morgan Is Elected 1948 Sun Princess

Freshman Girl Crowned Farm Bureau Queen At Meeting in Amarillo Last Saturday Night



Marjorie Grimes, 18 year old freshman from Stratford, was crowned Farm Bureau Queen at a meeting of the Potter County Farm Bureau held in Amarillo Saturday night. Miss Grimes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Grimes of Stratford, was crowned by Carl Kuper, District 1 state director for the Farm Bureau.

Winner Receives Fabulous Trip To Annual Southwest Sun Carnival

Jean Morgan, comely brunette junior from Quail, will represent West Texas State at the 14th Annual Southwestern Sun Carnival in El Paso, December 28 through January 1.

Miss Morgan was chosen by popular vote of the students at the close of yesterday's glamorized assembly.

Other contestants were: Wanda Davis, Tulia; Floyd Dean Crawford, Spearman; Pat Sutton, Pampa and Elaine Nelson, Amarillo. These girls were entered in the contest by virtue of petitions of fifty students each.

Education Meet Held Saturday

Dr. Mary Wilson Speaks On "Classroom Provisions For Individual Differences"

Approximately 240 elementary teachers and administrators of 31 Panhandle counties were present at West Texas State Saturday, to participate in a conference regarding current problems of the elementary school.

Guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. Mary C. Wilson, associate professor of education at Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, La. The day's program was arranged under the direction of WT's Department of Education.

Registration began at 10:00 a. m. followed by the morning assembly with P. E. Savage, professor of education, presiding. Visitors were welcomed by Dr. James P. Cornette, college president, and Mrs. Theresa Carrell, State Director of Elementary Education, Austin. Several selections were presented by the Margaret Wills sixth grade choir, Amarillo, directed by Mrs. Ruby Rawlings.

A panel discussion entitled "Current Problems in Our Elementary Schools" was presented under the direction of Dr. James Russell, Dean of the Graduate School. Giving their opinions in the discussion were Mrs. Vivian Mulling, White Deer; Mrs. Elsie Ross, Borger; Floyd Hemphill, Amarillo; Mrs. Minnie Collier, Hereford; Dr. Russell and Dr. Wilson. Health, individual differences, free time for the teacher, reports and promotions were subjects emphasized.

Lunch was served at 1:15 p.m. in the college cafeteria.

Robert Brune sang "Funny Little Fellow," Grant, accompanied at the piano by Miss Ada V. Clark. A duet "On the Good Ship Lollipop," Whiting, was presented by Norma Dean Thurmon and Janelda Cunningham, pupils of the Demonstration School.

Visitors who were introduced by Dr. Ruth Lowes included Bob Jones and Curtis Babcock, presidents of the Future Teachers of America Associations of Amarillo Junior College and West Texas State College; Morris Jones, Deputy Supervisor of District 9; Mrs. Linnie Redfern, De-

The assembly election was under the direction of Del Belflower, radio student from Pampa, who was Master of Ceremonies. The Collegians, college dance orchestra, provided background music during which the entries first appeared in street clothes.

After an interview, the girls left the stage and were presented later in evening dresses.

Other than background music, the band entertained throughout the show with numbers including a vocal by Joan Byars, Canyon, and Dick Woods, Pittsburg, California.

Miss Morgan will go to El Paso December 27 at the expense of the Student Senate and will be royally entertained while in the Border City.

Expense of lodging and participation in Carnival functions will be paid by the Southwestern Sun Carnival Association.

The annual celebration will begin with the coronation of the Sun Queen followed by a unique and spectacular pageant presented before the Queen and her Court. This will be followed by a Coronation Ball with dancing to a big name band.

Wednesday evening is reserved for the El Paso Symphony, while Saturday, the last day of the festival holds two major attractions.

The first is the "Pageant of States" parade in the morning and the second, the Sun Bowl football game in the afternoon.

The hours between traditional Sun Carnival features will hold varied and unusual entertainment. Tennis, basketball, International Day, street carnivals, band concerts, and Indian and Mexican dances are some of the events already planned.

partment of Education, Amarillo College, and Miss Anna I. Hibbets, former West Texas State associate professor of education.

Dr. Lowes presented Dr. Wilson who outlined "Classroom Provisions for Individual Differences." The speaker stated, "When administrators and teachers meet and discuss the problems of individual differences, then return to their schools to work and make proper appropriations, they are making real progress."

Teaching materials displayed in assembly rooms were projection and recording machines, a tachistoscope, a telebinocular, and book exhibits.

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Wednesday, Oct. 27
7:00 p. m.—Meeting of Alpha Psi Omega and the Masquers at Speech Arts Building.

Homecoming Events
Friday, Oct. 29
8:00—Freshmen football game with Tech.

Saturday, Oct. 30
10:00—Parade.
Barbecue dinner 11:30 to 1:00.
2:30—Football game with Houston University.

There will be a meeting of the Sophomore Class, Tuesday, October 26, at 10 o'clock in Room 208.

There Is No Such Thing as 'Puppy Love' In College

Two Lovers In the Dark!



"What is so rare as a night in October—when every gal needs a guy and vice-versa."

Although that is not as poetic as some might be—nevertheless, it does convey the meaning intended as the photographer snapped this pic of two lovers using the famed "freshman courting fence."

Owner and originator of this "haven for the lovelorn" is Miss Mary Moss Richardson, retired English teacher at West Texas State, whose love for her students and her concern over their welfare led her in erecting this fence.

Well, well, well—who would a thunk it!

Miss Richardson's Freshman Courting Fence Is Revered Place for West Texas Students

It is mildly hazardous to speak flippantly of campus courtships in the presence of Mary Moss Richardson, retired professor of English at West Texas State; mild because as a person she is self-disciplined enough to satisfy the most conservative superiors, hazardous because her flashing eyes declare that she is serious in this attitude toward the impulses of freshmen students.

The above paragraph was taken from an article written soon after the dedication of Miss Richardson's famous "Freshman Courting Fence" in front of her home on fourth avenue.

It is to all students presently freshmen and to new students who do not know the story behind the fence that this is written.

Miss Richardson, beloved and respected English teacher of this college and a native of the teaching profession for over 30 years, retired about 5 years ago. When she retired, the freshmen of this school and the student body lost a great friend. She is lost only in the sense that she is no longer here in school but her guiding influence is still felt in this town and community and countless graduates will always remember her.

Her modest cottage is located midway between town and the campus. "Keep Off" signs on the lawn toward town prevent pauses in the

daily walks of student couples.

Some years ago Miss Richardson thought—why not build a low stone and tile fence of chair height, so couples could stop there, sit and talk, or perchance adjust a shoe-string or a crooked hose seam.

She mentioned the idea in one of her classes.

"Let us contribute the stone," suggested one freshman.

And so it was; in the course of months a rock pile in Miss Richardson's yard grew and grew.

While traveling in England she bought a number of tiles of literary subjects. Friends gave her others. Then, the time for construction arrived.

The completed fence was a marvel of thought and action.

At one end of the fence which parallels the sidewalk is a pillar of stone 5 feet 10 inches tall—the height of the teacher. The tiles from England are embedded in the flat surface of the fence.

A sunken copper plate carries Thomas Brown's poem, "My Garden."

"A garden is a lovable thing; God wot! Rose plot,

Fringed pool,
Ferned grot—
The veriest school
Of peace; and yet the fool
Contents that God is not—
Not God! in gardens! when the
eve is cool?
Nay, but I have a sign;
'Tis very sure God walks in
mine."

The fence was dedicated in a formal ceremony held in the Methodist Church and in the sermon the preacher said . . . "A solemn occasion—In this fast age there are few places where one may go to talk about the sacred things of life. It is proper that this fence be dedicated to freshmen, many of whom are away from home, and lonely."

Students quickly dubbed it "Miss Richardson's Freshman Courting Fence." Couples "going steady" made immediate use of it; other couples more shyly.

To Miss Richardson the words "puppy love" are not in her extensive vocabulary. She considers campus courtships as seriously as any in life.

"Friendships are among the most

sacred things of life," Miss Richardson frequently declares. "We have entirely too much filippinity in both school rooms and pulpits when campus courtships are mentioned," she avows, "and this attitude toward any form of friendship is deplorable. "We should encourage wholesome affection between persons of all ages."

Thirty years in Texas classrooms have not dimmed this teacher's interest in the young folk. Miss Richardson, who dares to be different, opened each new class with a prayer and did, on occasion, utter a brief prayer for students who faced examinations they might "flunk."

But it is recorded that not a single freshman ever snickered in her classes. The boys and girls from the small towns, country, and the cities knew when they saw a real friend.

How can the present day students go wrong in following the footsteps of their exes and of this great and gentle teacher.

A visit by you either to the home of Miss Richardson or to her famed fence will be welcomed by this pioneer in the field of friendliness.

—and the little calf replied!

I'm Just A Little Bull - - - In the Election Campaign-Fodder

Only 11 more shopping days until "E Day!"

Which means that time is running out in which voters may choose a near New Year's Day present for the White House.

And, other than the dawning that "E Day" is upon them, the American people are bewildered over the juicy and flamboyant assortment of goodies being dangled before them from a crowded and not too enticing field of political Santas.

It is doubtful if the American public ever has been confronted with such a perplexing situation as the one it now faces.

It is not a situation of the scarcity of political hopefuls. It is a case of which one to choose and why.

Could the final tabulations show be-mustached Dewey and "Sunshine" Warren with their full windbags of promise and fancy as the winners?

Will it be "Beethoven" Truman and "Grandad" Barkley with their furtive pleas and "look what we have done to these 16 years" attitudes?

Will it be "Strom-me-a-bit-of-Dixie" Thurmond and "States" Wright together with their band of 20th Century Confederates?

Could it possibly be "Eggs and Tomatoes" Wallace and "I welcome pink Communists" Taylor with their not-holier-than-Joe beliefs?

If the above list of fireside chat aspirants is not enough to satisfy the political-palate of the voters—then there is always the Socialist, Vegetarian and Prohibition tickets.

Still—only 11 days in which to make a choice of what you would like to find in your New Year's stocking.

As for the political propaganda that has been float-

ing around for the past three months one could almost drag out the old adage that "no matter how you slice it—it's still Bologna!"

But—whether you are a Democrat, Republican, Dixiecrat, Progressive, Liberal, Conservative, Rightist, Leftist, Socialist, Contortionist or a staunch believer in the prevention of cruelty to illegitimate "shmoos"—it is going to be a great day for the races!

Whatever horse of whatever color wins—it is going to be interesting to watch and take part in this coming Presidential squabble.

And by the way—this still happens to be a pretty good country we live in; otherwise, how could a college editor get by with saying things such as these about the people who are to govern this great nation of ours?

Don't Quote Me . . .

By Duane Burrows

Shades of the torreador! On October 13, a bullfight was staged in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Maybe some of you are as surprised as I was to hear of this sport in this country. I was under the impression that these fights were outlawed in the United States. It seems, however, that the only challenge they get are demonstrations from the S. P. C. A. In Tulsa, no S. P. C. A. members objected, so the bullfight was carried on by the matadors just like the Mexico City jousts. More bullfights are slated to be staged in this country, it is reckoned, because it allegedly promotes the good neighbor policy with South America.

Filmdom is slated to present another life story. The movie will probably be titled, "The Eddie Cantor Story." If this picture is comparable to "The Jolson Story," most of us will welcome it. Cantor jokes about the picture, "I think it would be nice to let Jolson play my grandfather."

So you are dreading the cold weather ahead? You should consider yourself lucky that you're not in England. J. C. Frost, of London, recently returned from a dangerous expedition in the West Indies. He is to set off again soon to trap ferocious beasts in New Guinea. He is going, he explains, because, "I just couldn't face the rigors of an English winter."

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Now Who Ever Heard of a Female Aggie-- Another WT Oddity-- What Happens Next?

Anything can happen and probably will in this world!

When Virginia Lee Reid was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reid in Clovis, New Mexico, March 29, 1929, they hadn't the slightest suspicion that their daughter would become an Agriculture major in college.

Yet, that is exactly what will happen next year when Virginia receives her B.S. in Beef Cattle Production from West Texas State.

"I have lived on a farm; in fact, I spend every summer on our farm near Silverton," replied Virginia when asked why she became interested in Agriculture as a major.

"I suppose," she added, "that is the reason I decided to take up the study of Beef Cattle Production. I want to live on a farm or a ranch and agricultural knowledge will come in handy."

When asked why she didn't go into Home Economics or some study girls usually take, Virginia replied that she took one year of Home Ec in Dumas High School and "wouldn't eat my cookin' or wear my sewin' so I gave that up as a bad venture."

After her graduation from West Texas High, Virginia entered college here in 1946 and studied Field Crops and Crop Production her first year.

"At first the boys resented having

me in the class, I think," she said, "but I believe they are used to the idea of a girl Ag major by now and it doesn't bother them. Of course, I suspect I put a damper on the classes."

Virginia has accompanied the classes to the Fat Stock shows in this territory and to the Tri-State Fair. She has helped judge cattle and revealed that "it was very interesting and I liked it."

Her pet hate in the field of agriculture is poultry with which she wants nothing to do.

Other courses she has taken in her field are: General Animal Husbandry, Market Classes and Grades of Livestock, Breeds of Farm Animals and Soils.

When confronted with the query as to her second choice if the farm or ranch hope falls through, she replied, "I would like to teach—but I can see someone hiring a woman for an agriculture teacher."

The Blasted Machine—Grrr!



"Those blasted blasting machines—won't they ever let up—I can't hear myself think," was the theme of most of the WTexans last week as work began on sandblasting the Ad Building.

Rumors have it that the local SPCA is going to report the destruction of the sparrows adobe houses along the ledges caused by this whirling-dervish contraption.

But, students are happy to see the old place get a good going over and the look of the building has improved immensely.

Old-Fashioned Beauty Touch Being Given the Ad Building

Even the buildings of West Texas State are taking on the "new look" in anticipation of Homecoming.

Or haven't you heard!

For more than a week now students of West Texas State have been hearing the constant roar of sandblasters buffeting away on the sides of the Administration Building.

The occasion is the blasting of the ledges of the building; turning it into a beautiful two-tone of white and tan.

Not only have students been hearing this remodeling—they have spent many hours watching the operators of the blasting machine do circus acts as they swing to and fro from their lofty perches.

Workers in the Publications office got a direct taste of the operations Saturday morning and they are blaming some pretty co-ed for it all.

Their version of the incident is that one of the operators was attracted by a beautiful girl, lost control of the machine, and blasted out one of the windows—filling the place with flying dirt and glass.

Other than the above mentioned, no more casualties have been re-

The third annual square dance contest will be held in Amarillo, Oct. 22-23, at the Sports Arena. Feature for the evening of the 22nd will be Doc Shaw and the Cheyenne Mountain Dancers. The evening of the 23rd will feature the Blackout Fire Files of Oklahoma City.

All seniors are requested to pay their class dues of 50 cents to Lee Mann, class treasurer, as soon as possible. Also, give your name to her if you wish to sell Mums for Homecoming.

It's All Very Confusing



Confusing as it is amusing is the fact that Virginia Lee Reid, petite junior brunette, actually is an Ag major. Furthermore, she enjoys it.

There are probably numerous boys in WT who would gladly let her care for the stock around the farm.

Virginia will graduate next spring with a BS in Agriculture—majoring in Beef Cattle Production.

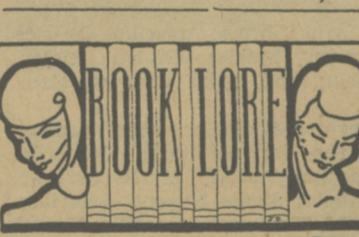
Teachers Are Here To Help All Students Over Troubles

By Anita Johnigan

Is there a freshman in school that has unsolved problems? West Texas State freshmen need not fail in college for lack of assistance and guidance.

Dr. A. K. Knott, Dean of the Lower Division, is the co-ordinator of the new Guidance Program created in a special effort to help each new student find and overcome weaknesses in study.

Dr. A. K. Knott, Dean of the Lower Division, is the co-ordinator that they may profit from their college experience is one of the main duties of the faculty.



The Screwtype Letters by C. S. Lewis is a witty piece of satirical writing, presenting the old problem of the continuous battle for the soul of a man between the insidious forces of evil and triumphant forces of good. The author shows a remarkable insight into human nature.

The fifty-four scripture interpretations comprising Where The New World Begins by James Reid were first printed as devotional articles. Every reader will find in these pages a refreshing experience in devotional reading and thinking.

The Quest for Happiness by William S. Sadler discusses the essentials and luxuries of happiness as well as the joy killers, the little devils that spoil happiness. The question of emotional control is emphasized.

Book Quotation Crostics, and Other Puzzles is a book designed by Alice Neptune Gale to appeal to the innate love of a contest, whether it be mental or physical and to stimulate good reading habits by calling attention to some of the good books in the field of literature.

The crostic puzzles are based on

Under the new plan each faculty member is given a small number of freshmen for counselling purposes. The number placed under the supervision of each member is small enough to enable careful study and planning to bring the most benefit to the student.

Counsellors do not go about their task of helping the student without some advance knowledge of the student he is to serve and of any handicaps or weaknesses present.

This information about the student is gained through the National Council English and Psychological tests administered to all freshmen when they enroll. Silent reading tests are being given to supplement this knowledge of the student.

Results of these tests in no way change the status of the student; on the other hand it gives valuable information to the person selected to guide him in choosing courses, meeting problems and overcoming difficulties.

So, freshmen, do not shun the opportunity of help and guidance that your counsellor offers. A counsellor is not chosen to be ignored; he is here to help you in your troubles.

book titles, book characters and authors. In addition to literary knowledge students may obtain in the working of these puzzles, there is the opportunity to gain experience in the use of library reference tools.

Yearlings Bow to H-SU, 20-0

By Bob Hembree

There was a hard, cold wind blowing into Buffalo Stadium last Saturday night, but neither that nor the Buffalo Freshmen could stop the power-driving Hardin-Simmons Frosh.

A few hundred shivering spectators watched the unbeaten H-SU Freshmen ride over the previously undefeated West Texas State Buffalo Frosh with a decisive 20-0 victory.

Offensive star for the winners was Tommy Bice, 170 pound back from Borger. On one of his many brilliant runs he went over left end, picked up a covey of blockers and galloped 64 yards for the first H-SU touchdown. The conversion attempt was blocked by center Bill Pevehouse.

Non-Conference Foes Take Over

Border Conference teams came out on the short end of most of their non-conference games last week and as Arizona, Texas Tech, and New Mexico A&M all fell victims to their opponents. However, on the other side of the column, West Texas and Texas Mines both garnered victories over teams out of the Conference.

Michigan State University soundly and vividly showed their power as they defeated Arizona University 61-7 after the Wildcats had upset the highly regarded Hardin-Simmons Cowboys the week before.

Baylor handed Tech another defeat against Southwest Conference teams as the Bears whipped the Raiders 13-0 in Waco in a rain which marred the offenses of both teams. The Bears held the game all the way, giving Tech only slight breaks to come out of the hole. But the down state held the Raiders in check and is still the only undefeated eleven in the Southwest Conference.

And little New Mexico A&M fell victim to Sul Ross State College 47-12 to put the Aggies even further out of the scene in the Border Conference. The Aggies are ceded last place in the conference.

However, West Texas' Buffs and the Miners upheld the conference by both soundly rapping their opponents for lop-sided wins. The Miners severely pummeled Brigham Young University Friday night 34-20 in a scoring spree which was hardly less exciting even with the large score. The outcome was in question for nearly the length of the game.

Saturday night in Wichita Falls, Hardin College's heavy and rugged Indians felt the fury of West Texas State's offensive power and defensive strategy as they were pounded for a 28-7 loss to the Buffs.

Two conference games were played last week as New Mexico University and Hardin-Simmons tangled in Albuquerque. The Lobos were treated to a lesson as Wilton "Hook" Davis, the Cowboys' claim to fame, led the way to a 28-19 victory for the 'Pokes. The score was almost identical to that of the Lobo-Buff game in Albuquerque last season.

The other conference game was Arizona State of Tempe against Arizona State of Flagstaff. The Lumberjacks faltered and fell before a show of power by the Sun Devils 40-0.

It is still definitely anybody's race in the conference as Texas Mines, Arizona and Tech are still undefeated in conference play and with some of the year's most likely upsets in the offing for the next couple of weeks.

Action in Frosh Tilt



The end run being made here by one of the WT freshmen who played in the game against the frosh of Hardin-Simmons was all in vain as the young Cowboys stomped the Yearlings 20-0 last Saturday night at Buffalo stadium.

WT Frosh	H-SU Frosh
9	17
154	Yards gained rushing
72	Yards lost rushing
8	Passes attempted
2	Passes Completed
12	Yards gained passing
5	Punts
30.4	Punting Average
2	No. of penalties
20	Yards penalized

Indians Use Tomahawk too Soon; Herd Tramples Over Tribe 28-0

After two fumbles which resulted in Hardin College's touchdown, the West Texas Buffaloes regained their composure and thoroughly trampled the luckless Indians unmercifully 28-7 in Wichita Falls last Saturday night as the teams met for the second time.

In doing so, Cloyce Box was playing his usual brand of ball, only on a larger scale as his passing arm and powerful running left the Indians spellbound and also amazed. He ran 80 yards in the first quarter, only shortly after the Hardin tally, to score the first marker for the Buffs.

Junior Melton is well earning his title as "Automatic" as his record now stands at 15 good kicks for points after touchdowns in 16 tries. He also did a standout job while subbing for Box at quarterback.

Indian fans were expecting to see somewhat of a slaughter after that early score by their home team, but after this first tally the Wichita Falls gridders were given no chance to show their skill. So well did the Buff attack hold up that the Herd only had to punt once in the game.

West Texas piled up a total of 346 yards gained rushing and 83 more by the aerial route, while the Redskins struggled to get their 174 on the ground and 20 by passing. It was the Buffs all the way. Hardin also tried to get yards in other ways, but it cost them 112 yards in penalties.

The WT men, however, seemed unable to keep their hands on the ball as they lost four fumbles, two of which cost them a score.

The second Buff tally came after a comparatively quiet second period as Johnson and Conner plunged the ball into Indian territory. Box then hauled back and heaved a pass to slippery Bill Cross, who nabbed it, dropped it and caught it again before it hit the ground to score the second touch. Melton's toe aimed true again.

But the third quarter was far from over then and the next drive for the revered end zone ended with Hardin taking the ball back on their own 2 yard stripe. Cross took the punt to the Indian 27. Johnson took the ball on the next play and raced for a first down. Charles Wright ran the ball over for the next score as the quarter ended. At the whistle ending the third period the score was 21-7.

Johnson sparked two offensives in the final quarter before the Herd was able to push it over for a score, both of which ended on the Indian 17. Johnson ran for 26, 19, and 14 yards in these ill-fated drives.

Then when Don Briggs recover-

Bufs, Fans Prepare for Clash With East Texas at State Fair

Passes . . . and Repasses

By Frank Stallings

Without a doubt, the first thing which should be mentioned this week in connection with sports at WT is a column. Right now is the most appropriate moment to present verbal orchids, roses, and all other typical flowers which are given to thank someone for a nice word, thought or deed. This time they go to Harry Gilstrap, likeable sports editor of the Amarillo News, whose column of Tuesday morning gave the Buffs one of the greatest boosts of the year.

Mr. Gilstrap, who has been an ardent fan of the Buffs and also an ardent backer, was throwing compliments around that day which should have made a normal man's head grow two sizes. Besides giving his all-out opinions of some of the players, their abilities as players, and their records this year, he said in particular of Buck Garrett, co-captain and center of the Buffs: "There are bigger ones, I know, but if there are any better centers in college football this year than Buck Garrett, I'd like to see 'em . . . If Buck doesn't make the all-Border Conference team this time this department (Sports at the News) probably will sue."

There was more than one disappointed sports writer, coach and observer last season when Buck's name was not even mentioned as an all-Border Conference player.

There seems to be an increasing amount of talk over the nation concerning the way "professional college" football is being handled by colleges today. For the most part the ones who do the talking, that is, the ones who are its bitterest critics, seem to find that the only fault is paying the players to come to schools to fight for the alma mater. The editorial on this page, which first appeared in Saturday Evening Post, should make the matter easier to understand.

While we are on football there is a slight delay in the mention of this, but it needs to be cleared up. At the first of every school year, when freshmen or transfers enroll here it is urged that everyone who owns a high school jacket, or is wearing one, with a numeral or letter on it, remove the letter, showing by that act that high school days are behind, and that loyalty has now become one to another school, WT. Mention of this has been neglected to some

Magic words this week—Cotton Bowl—struck a new note in football history at WT. For the first time in the gridiron story of the college, the Buffaloes are getting a chance to play in a Bowl. Of course, it isn't January 1, the usual date for games in Bowls, but still, a bowl is a bowl.

And this week, it is the Cotton Bowl. Buff fans and the team are going to Dallas, or have already left for that city, to take a look at the State Fair then the game tomorrow afternoon, for the tilt against East Texas State College of Commerce.

on the campus. Most of those in question are being worn by girls. Maybe it is not proper for a girl to deface a sweater which was once the property of another, but still it ruins the appearance of the campus to see these still flitting about. All boys usually do the job on the first or second day, due to the insistence of upperclassmen, but girls are left to judge for themselves. Why should they be given more liberty than the men?

From talk heard around the campus this past week, it would seem that most of the students here are intending to journey to the Cotton Bowl for our game with the Lions of East Texas State. It would be nice to have a large delegation there from WT, because it is a sure bet that since Commerce is only a few miles from Dallas, comparatively speaking, there will undoubtedly be a mob of people at the game boosting East Texas.

Homecoming is only a matter of days now. There is one thing which usually distresses any committee working on that celebration. The one day of the year when all students should stay on the campus is Homecoming. Not only for the sake of the football team, but to show the hundreds of Exes and guests who will crowd on the campus that they are welcome and appreciated. It To help make this one of the best, stay here on the campus and show the Exes we welcome them back.

Well, so far this year there hasn't been enough room on the page for my last paragraph, so we'll try it again. This is the sixth edition of the paper, too. So until next Friday, the day before the most gala

There was no last year's game for either team to have a grudge against the other for this particular game, since there is no standing rivalry between the two schools in athletics. But this does not take away any from the color or spirit of the event as both teams are eager for a win in the Cotton Bowl to brag about.

So far this season, both teams seem to be fairly evenly matched, though the records of the two are not too similar. This dissimilarity in records, however, may add to the fact that both teams need this win to improve on hitherto only mediocre records.

The Buffs, holding a three win and three loss record so far this year, will be itching to get another win under their belts before the conference drive begins in full force. But the Lions have an even better reason to have this game for a win, since they have played five games, four of which were losses. Their first game of the year, against Hardin College, is their only victory so far.

They have dropped games to Howard Payne College, 13-0; Houston University, Buff opponent for Homecoming, 18-7, and Arkansas University, 40-6. Their other defeat was to Stephen F. Austin State College, 14-6.

But with a scene like that for a game, with people from all parts of Texas and the United States viewing the game, no coach would like to see his team humiliated. Thus Coach Kimbrough and his recuperating Buffs will travel to Dallas with the one thought in mind of giving East Texas a glimpse of the power of West Texas.

day of the year, I'll be passing and repassing you, hoping to see something interesting.

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Drama Groups Meet at Theatre

Alpha Psi Omega and Buffalo Masquers will hold a joint meeting on Wednesday, October 27 at 8:15 p.m. The meeting, to be held in the Branding Iron Theatre, will be presided over by Frances Lynn Townes, the president of Alpha Psi Omega.

Members of the organizations will view motion pictures of the Amarillo Little Theatre spring production of "The Barretts of Wimpole Street". The cast included William A. Moore, professor of dramatics, in a leading role, and Frances Lynn Townes, junior speech major at West Texas. The pictures were made in the final stages of production, and will be shown by Mrs. George McCarthy and Mrs. Hattie Mae Bush of Amarillo.

Also included on the program will be a review of the summer season at the Little Theatre of the Rockies, Greeley, Colorado, by Bill Hutchinson, speech major who attended there during the summer session. Beth Kimbrough, who worked during the summer with the Southwest Summer Theatre at Baylor University, will discuss her work with that group.

Mrs. Oma Link Rowley, director of the Amarillo Little Theatre, will review for the group the coming plays of this theatre season. Mrs. Rowley, who has an uncanny ability to pick a winning play, can be counted on to provide a talk that is interesting, informative and highly entertaining. Mrs. Rowley will be accompanied by Mr. Dickey Dye and a large group from the Amarillo Little Theatre.

All members of Buffalo Masquers who have paid their dues are urged to attend and bring their charges. Refreshments will be in charge of Paula Frazier, Jett Byrely, Frances Alice Harp, Bill Hutchinson, and Jody Marsh.

A special invitation is extended to all faculty members, and to all others who saw the A.L.T. production.

Merit Council Opens Exams

The Merit System Council, which serves as a "clearing house" for positions in the State Department of Public Welfare, will hold open competitive examinations on November 13, 1948, for a number of positions now open in that agency, according to Chas. S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

Positions to be filled by the agency consist of Field Worker, Child Welfare Worker, Senior Child Welfare Worker, County Child Welfare Supervisor II, Junior Stenographer, and Clerk Typist. Qualifications for these positions vary from high school graduation to college work and experience requirements.

Gardiner pointed out that application to take an examination must be made on an official application blank, which may be obtained by writing the Merit System, 808 Tribune Building, Austin, Texas, or from the Employment Commission and Department of Public Welfare local offices located throughout the State. "The closing date for submission of applications is October 23, 1948, and applications postmarked after midnight on the closing date will not be considered," he added.

A Halloween dance will be given by Gamma Phi in the ballroom of Cousins Hall this coming Tuesday, October 26. Time for the dance has been set for 7 o'clock.

Theta Kappa Psi Starts National Affiliation Move

In a regular meeting held Wednesday night, October 20, Theta Kappa Psi, newly organized band sorority, completed their constitution in the first step to becoming nationalized.

A letter was written to the Texas Mines band and director thanking them for the courtesies extended during the recent band trip to El Paso.

Pictures for the 1949 Le Mirage were made yesterday afternoon at 3:45.

The club, in conjunction with Kappa Kappa Psi, band fraternity, is selling West Texas State automobile tags for \$1.00 each.

Senate Minutes

Wednesday, October 13

Student Senate was called to order by the president, George Black.

Members present were Homer Garrett, Don Turner, Louanna Price, Don Standley, James Morgan, Jody Marsh, Jack Worsham. Newly elected senators also present were Max Vaughn, Betty Sparkman, Ray Bradshaw. Those absent were Frances Harp, Jack Ballew and Willis Hawkins.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Arrangements for chartering two buses to Dallas have been made. Tickets are to go on sale for \$9.75 in the Book Store.

Petitions for Sun Princess are to be in by Wednesday. Del Belflower will be in charge of the Thursday assembly and senators are to pass out ballots and also collect and count them.

Don Standley reported that all material from the Book Store will be in by Friday. Candy machines will be installed soon. Installation of coke machines was also discussed.

An opening dance in the new Student Union was debated in regard to Religious Emphasis Week.

Del Belflower, student on the assembly committee reported plans. The Senate was asked to be responsible for counting the voting results of the best assembly for each semester. The first vote will be in January. James Morgan moved that we count the votes for the assembly award. Jody Marsh seconded and the motion carried.

Senate members then discussed methods of voting, run-offs and preference voting. Don Standley moved that for this election the Senate explain that the top person be the winner, the second highest will be next in line and there will be no run-off. This was unanimously accepted.

Transportation for cheer leaders was then brought up. The Senate agreed to accept responsibility for their transportation, except to Abilene.

Don Turner moved that the next girl up as a cheerleader replace Ida Ruth Taylor. Joan Byars will succeed.

President Black and Dr. Condron will be responsible for hiring a custodian.

Jack Worsham and James Morgan will be responsible for getting a bid for the venetian blinds.

Louanna Price will check magazine rates.

A notice will be put in the Prairie regarding applications for doing the Student Directory.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Jane Euler
Secretary

Homecoming

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fly at 1,000 feet elevation while those over that limit will fly at 1,500 feet.

Elmer Wooten is chairman of the floats from the business houses of Canyon while George Black will be in charge of the floats and entries from the college.

Dr. R. A. Neblett will be in charge of securing floats for college organizations.

Sheriff M. E. Cantrell has been designated as Parade Marshall and Traffic Control Officer.

Jerry Newman will have charge of the bands and will be the Director of Marching.

Boone McClure has charge of the pioneer section of the parade while Ed Reynolds will direct the mounted division.

This gigantic parade will start off the Homecoming proper on Saturday morning.

Free Barbecue

Immediately following the parade will be the free barbecue at the Tennis Courts. Milton Morris is chairman of this committee and between 12 and 15 heaves will be provided for the feed.

At 2:30 Saturday afternoon the homecoming throngs will go to Buffalo Stadium for the football game between the Buffs and the Cougars from the University of Houston.

The 1948 Football Queen will be crowned during this activity.

Concluding the affairs of the day will be two dances starting at 8 o'clock in the evening. Ballroom dancing will be conducted in the Cafeteria and Western dancing will be held in Burton Gym.

The Liberty Boys Western band will play at the Gym with Grady Wilson, chairman of the South Plains and Panhandle Square Dance District and chairman of the Amarillo Square Dance Council, doing the calling of dances.

If you know the name and address of any West Texas State graduate please contact Mrs. T. V. Reeves, Director of the Bureau of Public Service, as soon as possible.

Please state the year of graduation and the maiden name of the women graduates.

Kappa Omicron Has Second Meet

The second meeting of the year was held Thursday night, October 14, by Kappa Omicron Phi, honorary Home Economics club.

An outline of the year's plans was completed.

Officers of Kappa Omicron Phi are: Nell Baumann, Perryton, president; Willa Mae Graves, Follett, first vice president; Lorraine Davidson, Canyon, second vice president; Emma Peterson, Canadian, recording secretary; Jane Helm, Allison, corresponding secretary; Doris Smith, Hereford, treasurer; June Wischkaemper, Shamrock, guard and keeper of the archives; and Bethel Tompkins, Panhandle, reporter and annual representative.

Kappa Omicron Phi and the Home Economics Club will give a Halloween party October 28 at the Home Management House.

Exams Opened For Engineer Post

An examination for filling Engineer positions a tthe P-I grade (\$2,974 a year) in Washington, D. C., and vicinity, has been announced by the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

No written test is required of competitors in the examination. To qualify, they must (a) have completed 4 years of college study in professional engineering leading to a bachelor's degree, or (b) have had 4 years of progressive experience in technical engineering, or (c) have had any time-equivalent combination of such education and experience. Applications will be accepted from students who expect to complete their college courses within 6 months of the date of filing applications. Age limits, waived for persons entitled to veteran preference, are from 18 to 35 years.

Interested persons may obtain information and application forms at most first- and second-class post offices, from Civil Service regional offices, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applications should be sent to the Commission's Washington office. They will be accepted until further notice.

Reunion Planned For All Ex-Aggies

All ex-agricultural students of West Texas State will have their first homecoming since the war when the college has its Homecoming activities October 30.

The meeting will be held in the Science Building at 11 o'clock Saturday morning. Anyone who has ever enrolled in agriculture at West Texas State is urged to attend.

Highlights of the informal get-together will be the getting acquainted with each Aggie and his family, meeting Dr. James Cornette, and a free barbecue for all.

During the war many Aggies wrote to Frank R. Phillips, head of the department, requesting that a general homecoming of all Aggies be called. Many of them met last year and discussed this proposed move.

"We would like to see everyone that has ever been an Aggie here at the meeting that morning," stated Mr. Phillips.

Advanced Art Class Aids in WTHS Show

Advanced students of the "Life Drawing" art class have been invited to participate in the West Texas High School Halloween Carnival October 30.

The group will have a booth in which they will draw the portraits of customers.

There will be a meeting of the Junior Class, Tuesday, October 26, at 10 o'clock in Room 201.

Freshman students are reminded that they must take the tests required of entering students. For the benefit of those who entered late the tests will be given three days next week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 2:30.

If students are in doubt as to whether the test grades are recorded, they are asked to come by Dr. Knott's office and inquire. The Dean of the Lower Division announced in the freshman assembly Tuesday that grades would not be released at the end of the semester for students who neglect to take examinations.

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Speech Students Present Comedy

The Speech Department of West Texas State presented "The Florist Shop," a comedy in one act in Memphis, Texas, on Tuesday afternoon, October 19.

The play was presented before the Memphis Delphian Club guest day and floral show.

In addition to the club members, there was also in attendance a large group of guests and the Senior Class of Memphis High School. The school group was accompanied by Miss Gloria Gosch, a former student of West Texas State, and at present the Home Economics instructor in the high school.

Following the show, which was held in the American Legion Hall, there was a reception held for the members of the play. The cast was then invited to dinner in the Legion Hall dining room.

All pictures for club and organization pages must be in the publications office by November 15. If the annual is to come out on time, pictures must be turned in before the deadline.

William Moore Reviews Play At Borger October 27

William A. Moore of the Department of Speech at West Texas, will review a play in Borger on October 27. The review will be presented to the members of the Borger Paragon Club in its regular meeting. Mr. Moore will discuss a recent outstandingly successful Broadway production.

All clubs, classes, dormitories and other organizations are urged to turn in a list of their officers and their addresses to the Dean of Women's Office as soon as possible.

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