

## Petition Being Circulated

# Move for Student Union Started by Congress

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## Lottinville to Speak On Journalism Day

Final plans for annual Journalism Day Thursday were announced this week by Dr. C. E. Chunn, director of public relations.

Savoie Lottinville, director of the University of Oklahoma Press, will

Mr. Lottinville, a Phi Beta Kappa and former Rhodes Scholar, took his B. A. from the University of Oklahoma, a B. A. and M. A. at the University of Oxford with interim study at Bonn, Berlin, Munich and Tubinger.

The University of Oklahoma Press was built up by Lottinville into what has been called "one of the top university presses" in the nation.

A native of Idaho, he began his career in journalism as a reporter on the Oklahoma City Times.

He was made director of the Press in 1938. Prior to that, he had been assistant editor and business manager.

Mr. Lottinville is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Delta Chi and Delta Tau Delta. He is also a member of the National Rifleman's Association and Society of American Historians.

He serves on the executive committee of the Association of American University Presses of which he was president in 1950.



LOTTINVILLE

be featured speaker at an 11 a.m. assembly in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The annual Skiff Award for "outstanding service to the student body" will be made at that time. Name of the recipient will be kept secret until the presentation.

### Board Meets Tuesday

Annual Spring Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the Board Room of the Administration Building, President M. E. Sadler announced this week.

The spring meeting is held to consider the budget for 1952-53 school year and handling of general business.

(See editorial, this page; cartoon, page 4, and letter to the editor, page 4.)

BY ELLIS AMBURN  
"S. U. in '52!"

That's the battle cry for a new student union building for TCU in 1952.

Students will be hearing that slogan shouted from every nook and corner of the campus until the Board of Trustees takes "definite action" on the "immediate construction" of such a building.

Student Association Congress went into its first full, powerful swing of action, Monday, when it launched a campaign to hasten the arrival on this campus of a student union building.

Congress started early Tuesday circulating petitions around the campus for student signatures. The petition is a strongly worded appeal to the Board of Trustees for the building.

Congress hopes to obtain the signatures of all students enrolled in the university, as well as the support of influential local citizens, important civic clubs and prominent exes.

Congress members declared that the Board of Trustees and the student body will be systematically bombarded by congress until interest in a new student union building is high enough to get the project rolling at full speed "in the very, very near future."

Such a building for students is not included in the current building program of the Administration, it was announced in congress.

"The utter urgency of a student union building can no longer be ignored," President Dick Ramsey said.

Congress strongly believes that all the major factors figuring into lack of student body loyalty, pride in school, and general spirit can be traced back to the "dire need" of sufficient facilities for student body extra-curricular activities. Congress holds that a student union building would create a new and vigorous student interest in campus activities.

Numerous congressmen agreed that "we have no place to entertain and provide lodgings for visiting representatives from other colleges and universities. We have no place on the campus to hold major student body dances. That's why we lose money on dances. The majority of students are not willing to go miles off the campus for a social function.

(See "Student Union" p. 2)



### Student Union Backers

Miss Marjorie Fuller, San Angelo sophomore, signs a student Union petition offered her by Student Congress President Dick Ramsey. Waiting her turn is Miss Bettye Pickens, Eastland senior.

## Student Union (An Editorial)

An Open Letter to the Board of Trustees:

For many years The Skiff, speaking as the voice of the student body, has urged the building of a Student Union.

This year is no different—except for the fact that the need for student union facilities is even more pressing.

The Field House was ruled "off limits" to the student body last fall because of the precarious condition of the floor. Previously it had been the sole campus building where almost the entire student body could be accommodated for dances, rallies and other student activities.

### Open House Cancelled

Even the annual Intramural Open House had to be cancelled this spring because of a lack of facilities. Since 1934, the Open House program had been one of the best attended and most well-organized in an otherwise skimpy social program.

For the first time in many years, the Freshman Prom and other University dances had to be held at the New Casino at Lake Worth. The distance to be traveled caused many inconveniences for those who lacked adequate transportation.

Poor attendance at the Prom and at other dances this year has caused the student congress to go into the red and curtail its social program for the remainder of the year.

### Campus Activities Suffered

All-campus activities have suffered in other ways, too. School spirit has lagged—in spite of record-breaking athletic victories—and we are certain that the lack of Student Union facilities has contributed to that letdown. Attendance at pep rallies was poor. The University failed to place in the voting for the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship trophy. A campus blood drive was a miserable flop. A Campus Chest Drive ended last week \$1700 short of its goal of \$3100.

TCU is the only school in the Southwest Conference which lacks adequate union facilities. All other schools except Rice have union buildings, and Rice has ample union facilities available in its present campus buildings.

Have the students done anything this year to show their interest in a Student Union? On January 7 the Student Lounge Committee presented a check for \$1000 to the Administration to be applied toward a union building. The money represented profits earned by vending machines and a sandwich bar in the Lounge.

### Mindful of Plans

The Skiff and the student body are mindful of the University's plans for a group of religion buildings, for expansion of the Library and construction of the Southwest Business Foundation.

We are justifiably proud of the new School of Fine Arts, Science Building and dormitories. An ambitious and well-directed building program is rapidly increasing the stature of TCU in its ranking among the finest educational institutions in the entire Southwest.

But while the educational plant has been expanded, the social and recreational needs of the campus—needs which could be filled by a Student Union—have been overlooked.

We urgently request that the matter be placed high on the business agenda at your meeting Tuesday.

Respectfully,  
The Skiff

## Ranch Week Gets Under Way With Full Weekend of Events

BY WES STEELE

Shrimp boats haven't arrived yet, but Ranch Week has.

Festivities got under way last night, with the first performance of "The Rinkadink Turns 'G. I.'", in the Little Theater. Just before curtain time last night, Sheriff Sully Montgomery administered the oath of office to Ranch Week Sheriff Jack Zachary, and Deputy Joe (outa' town) Shirley.

Nolley Vereen, author of the play, has reported that, despite rampant rumors, "The Rinkadink Turns 'G. I.'" will not be performed at Margo Jones' Theatre in the Round.

The second and last performance of the play will be given in the Little Theater tonight at 8. Tickets are 65 cents.

This afternoon at 2:30, the Quadrangle will be the scene of a most impressive imbroglio between the Faculty and Girls' baseball teams. Usually reliable sources have reported that the New York Yankees will not scout this annual grudge

battle. Admission to the tilt is "free gratis."

Tonight at 6, also on the Quadrangle, students will be given an opportunity to roast wieners. Tax will be 50 cents a person for all you can masticate. Drinks will not be on the house. They will be packed in a coke box.

Student cowpokes will saddle up for the last day of events, tomorrow, at 9 a.m., on the Quadrangle. Contests, designed to afford spectators much fun while eyeing the embroiled contestants, will be the order of the morning. Some of these events are titled with such poetic nomenclatures as "hawg calling," "egg tossing" and "pie eating."

At noon tomorrow, the familiar Quadrangle will be the scene of a good ol' fashioned, cross-legged barbecue. Tariff for gourmets will be 85 cents.

Two p.m. tomorrow, "kampus cowboys" will risk life, limb and their \$2.98 levis in an attempt to win glory in the Ranch Week

Rodeo, at the Benbrook Arena. Entrance fee for contestants ranges from \$2 to \$5, depending upon the event. Bleacher seats in the sun will sell for \$1 per. Bleacher seats in the shade will sell for \$1 per.

For the benefit of those who are contemplating hiring taxis for transportation to the arena, here are the directions. Proceed west on the Freeway to Highway 80. Proceed west on Highway 80, but decrease speed to 85 miles per hour. Turn left at the "Y" just before you reach the traffic circle. You will then find yourself on the Benbrook road.

Turn right at the first feed store and drive until you see a cloud of dust, encircled by a barbed-wire fence. This will be those friendly ol' Brahmas, pawing the earth.

Tomorrow night at 8, in the Pioneer Palace, dancers will stomp to the music of the finest fiddle band south of E. Lancaster. The judging of the bearded wonders,

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### ● Student Union Move Started by Congress

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The Study Lounge is no solution to the problem. Many times it cannot be used because of night classes near the lounge which would be disturbed.

"We must have a student union building—and soon!", said David Allred, lower class representative.

The petition which students are now being asked to sign and which will be submitted to the Board of Trustees at its meeting Tuesday, states:

"We, the undersigned, as members of the Student Association of Texas Christian University, do hereby petition the Board of Trustees and the Administration of said University to the effect that immediate action be taken for the purpose of alleviating the many unsatisfactory conditions that have resulted from the lack of adequate student union facilities on this campus — in short, consideration and definite action on the immediate construction of a student union building.

Signed—"

After months of research, Ramsey compiled a report which will also be handed to the Board of Trustees, listing, among many other significant factors, Texas colleges and universities which have provided adequate facilities for their student bodies' recreation and enjoyment.

The report reveals that TCU stands almost alone in its class as the university which has failed to make provisions for student recreation.

According to this report, many of the colleges and universities have given their students "expensive and magnificent" student union buildings even though they have much lower tuition rates than TCU.

Ramsey found that 36 Texas col-

leges and universities have student union facilities. These schools range in enrollment from 160 to 16,000 students. Tuition rates range from \$25 to \$200 per semester.

"Victoria College has only two buildings on its campus. One is the Administration Building. This certainly makes it apparent that a union building should be one of the primary concerns of any university," Ramsey pointed out.

"Austin College, with 361 students, and a tuition rate of \$12 per semester hour, has a beautiful student union building which contains dining rooms, a ball room, lounges, a soda fountain, a bookstore, post office, club rooms, exes' lounge and student offices.

"Their activity fee of \$18 includes library, physical training, athletic events, publications, health, lectures and concerts," Ramsey added.

Amarillo College, with an enrollment of 650 students, and a tuition fee of \$40 per semester, has a student union building which is one of the five principal buildings on that campus.

Baylor University, with 6000 students and a tuition rate of \$115 per quarter, or about \$10 per semester hour, has a "new, beautiful, and impressive union containing all the facilities needed."

Congress was stirred to take the action because of persistent student body complaints about lack of social functions and the need for a centralized student gathering place on the campus.

Congress is certain that the student body is dissatisfied with the Administration's failure to provide a better recreational center for the campus.

Congressmen said that it was "had public relations" for any university to de-emphasize

the importance of the student.

It is the opinion of congress that the students here do not encourage their friends and relatives to attend TCU because of the lack of recreational facilities.

It was agreed that the entire Student Association Congress would push and promote the matter until the University makes arrangements for the construction of a new student union building. "The compromise of a re-decorated Jarvis Hall will not suffice," Ramsey said.

"Students are fed up with promises, excuses, and compromises from the Administration," Tom Dennington, School of Business representative, declared.

"We must have the building to maintain our present enrollment. And, of course, such a building would also serve as a drawing card for the University," Dennington added.

### ● Ranch Week

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and the awarding of all contest prizes will take place at that time.

Admission to the dance has been set at 75 cents.

Tickets to all remaining events are available in the Student Lounge, from Rodeo Club members and from all chamber members.

Oh, one more thing: Venture-some souls who stray near the "jail" take heed. You are required by tradition to wear at least three pieces of western clothing.

### Honor List Fresh Will Be Honored

A free movie in honor of the students listed on the freshman honor roll will be shown in Ed Landreth Auditorium, Wednesday, at 7:30 p.m.

All students, and faculty members are invited to attend the showing.

The movie, which stars Gary Cooper and Franchot Tone, is entitled "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer."

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# Shirley Removed from Office By Student Congress Vote 6-14

Joe Shirley was removed from the office of cheerleader by Student Association Congress Monday.

Only six congressmen voted against the motion by Tom Dennington, School of Business representative, to remove Shirley as cheerleader.

Fourteen voted in favor of the motion.

Carl Graner, sophomore representative, insisted upon a roll call vote.

David Allred, lower class representative, objected, but Graner's motion carried by a vote of 12 to 6.

Voting for the removal of Shirley were Misses Ann Andrews, Sylvia Bokor, Pansy Kidwell, Ruth McClesky, Frances Nowotny, Pat Owens, Sue Scott and Noreen Wilkins and Allred, Bernie Robertson, Dennington, Graner, David Harlin and Bob Johnson.

Voting against Shirley's removal were Misses Sally Moler, Beth Pearson and Mollie Dot Robertson, and Don Brewer, Bob Cornell and Joe Ward.

Graner brought up the matter when he delivered a long speech condemning congress for voting last week against his motion to impeach Shirley if he should fail to resign after being asked to do so by congress.

Before introducing his third motion in three weeks against the Childress cheerleader who failed to participate in cheerleading at all TCU basketball games this season, Graner asked the congress rather bluntly: "Are you afraid to take a stand on this issue?"

As part of his argument against Shirley, Graner pointed out that a letter from the cheerleaders to the student body appeared in Friday's issue of The Skiff which was signed by all the cheerleaders except Shirley.

Graner said he asked one of the cheerleaders why Shirley's name was not included with the other cheerleaders in the signature. Graner quoted the cheerleader as having said that the majority of the cheerleaders were not proud of Shirley's showing during basketball season and did not feel that Shirley's name should appear on the letter.

"I move that Joe Shirley be asked to resign," Graner said. "If he has not resigned by our next meeting, I further move that he be impeached."

Before discussion on this motion began, Dennington submitted a bill of removal to replace Graner's motion.

Graner removed his motion without argument.

Dennington's bill stated: "In accordance with Subsection K of Section 3 of Article III of

the Constitution of the Student Association of Texas Christian University, and, more precisely, in accordance with Section 4 of Article IX of said Constitution, a bill of removal from office is hereby declared through the assent of an absolute majority vote to be in effect against one Joe Shirley for failure to fulfill the pledge of his office as cheerleader.

The parts of the Constitution referred to in the bill state:

"Cheerleaders shall be elected by the Association in such a manner, and by such procedures as may be deemed advisable by the congress:

"The Association Congress shall be vested with the power to enact such legislation as may be deemed necessary and proper to carry out the foregoing powers," which include, "the power to adopt by an absolute majority vote a Bill of Impeachment against any officer of the Association."

Don Brewer, junior representative, was the first to oppose Dennington's proposed bill. A few congressmen joined forces with Brewer, but the majority was determined to oust Shirley.

Although Miss Sue Scott, junior representative, supported Dennington's bill of removal, she stated that "congress should assume the blame for the situation.

"This is definitely not good government," said Miss Scott. "At the beginning of the year we should have set up a definite set of rules and regulations for the cheerleaders. Then they would have known exactly what was expected of them, and perhaps this unfortunate situation would never have happened," she continued.

Harlin moved the previous question, a motion which ends all debate and requires an immediate vote on the issue at hand. The motion passed, and immediately after the roll call vote, congress lost its quorum to the early departure of congressmen leaving for night classes.

The loss of a quorum made it necessary for the remaining congressmen to dissolve into a committee which could conduct no official business. All other matters which had been scheduled to be acted upon by the congress Monday, had to be postponed until the next meeting.

The committee approved Brewer's suggestion to ask the Pep Cabinet to immediately draw up a definite set of rules for the office of cheerleader.

Also approved was President Dick Ramsey's suggestion to ask the legislative committee to introduce a Pep Cabinet bill next week which would make the Pep Cabinet an acting agency of congress.

This bill would go into effect next fall.

Commenting on the helplessness of the congress without a quorum, Brewer said, "It seems disrespectful to the student body for congressmen, who were elected by the students, to have scheduled night classes at 7 p.m. on Mondays when they knew that congress meetings would not be over by that time."

The committee requested that during future meetings, Ramsey should set a limit on the time devoted to debate on an issue.

Congress had voted on only one motion, the Shirley removal bill, when it lost the quorum.

"If we have a time limit on debate, perhaps we will be able to vote on at least two issues before we lose the quorum from now on," Ramsey said.

Absent from Monday's meeting were Misses Bettie Harbin, Bobby Russell, and Buford Latimer.

Absent from the March 3 meeting were Don Brewer, Latimer and Miss Sue Scott.

# Communism, Democracy To Be Institute Theme

"The Clash of Communism and Democracy" will be the theme of the TCU Institute of World Affairs, which opens here March 26.

A series of public forums and panel discussions, the institute will extend through March 28.

Three public forums are to be held in Ed Landreth Auditorium—one each evening.

Among prominent guests and speakers will be M. Camille Chautemps, once Premier of France; Dr. Samuel Guy Inman of the Institute of Foreign Trade, Phoenix, Ariz.; and Prof. Earl H. Pritchard, specialist on far eastern relations and member of the history department at the University of Chicago.

## Faculty Women Set Tea, Review Tuesday

Election of officers, a book review and a tea are on the agenda of a Faculty Women's Club meeting to be held in the Mexican Lounge at 3 p.m., Tuesday.

Principal business of the meeting will be a report of the nominating committee, followed by election of officers.

## Cadet Promotions Coeds to Vie At ROTC Ball

Air Force ROTC cadets will present 29 candidates for sweetheart at the first Annual Military Ball, March 22, in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Texas.

Four sweethearts will be chosen from these candidates. One will be group sweetheart. The other three will be squadron sponsors.

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# Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

This should have been T. C. U.'s greatest year. But our achievements which have brought us great national and local prestige, have only served to illuminate by contrast our greatest failings. For besides this unprecedented success in some fields, we must place our continuing lack of student unity, student interest, poor sportsmanship, lack of school spirit, and even the tottering of student government.

We have reached a certain stagnation and show no signs of improving that condition. While other schools realized early the basic need of providing for and promoting student programs, T. C. U. has all but ignored this vital problem. As a result we find the present situation, one which might well have been averted—at least greatly improved—had T. C. U. constructed a Student Union Building.

Therefore, the Student Association Congress of T. C. U., for the following twenty five reasons—and many others:

1. Lack of student unity.
2. Inadequacy of present facilities.
3. Weaknesses of Ex-Students.
4. Weaknesses of campus clubs.
5. Poor facilities for Horned Frog and Skiff.
6. Lack of recreational facilities for all.
7. Failure to follow present trend in colleges by not properly providing for social development.
8. Losses of money by Congress on dances.
9. Lack of decent place to adequately entertain visitors.
10. Lack of facilities for conferences, conventions, etc.
11. Contribution to lack of school spirit.
12. Contribution to lack of sportsmanship.
13. Lack of midweek activities.
14. Simple matter of convenience.
15. Bad effect upon Student government.
16. Failure of intramural program.
17. Lack of facilities to entertain and interest outside interest groups in supporting T. C. U., such as local civic organizations, etc.
18. Loss of attendance from school.
19. Alienation of town students, lack of common meeting grounds outside of class.
20. Forced greater expense on student for off campus recreation.
21. Development of student attitude that he is not getting in return for money spent, what he should.
22. Development of habit in students not to support campus functions.
23. Value of a Student Union to T. C. U.—prestige, attraction, etc.
24. Comparison of other schools' facilities, tuition, fees, etc. shows T. C. U.'s far behind.
25. The lack of reason why some step should not be taken now.

unanimously resolves:  
 "That it is not too late to make this year one of all-around success through a recognition by the authorities of our desperate need. We recommend that they take prompt action to alleviate this situation through the most effective possible method—that of providing for a Student Union Building in the immediate future—now!!"

Yours for "AN S. U. IN '52",  
 STUDENT ASSOCIATION CONGRESS

To the Editor:

My name is Campus Chest. I'm just a little feller—ain't been around here very long. I was sent here so TCU could help other people, and the reception was so nice, I think I'll like it here.

Of course, it took a lot of effort to get me here, and I'd be a spoiled little brat if I didn't say, "Thanks," to the hundreds of energetic and hard-working people who put themselves into me. Have to mention first my worrisome co-chairmen, Eloise Mayo and Martin Turner, who never agreed on anything; Jimmy Suggs and Nancy Smith, and their crew of publicity brain and brawn; Bill Harrison plus March Coffield and the football boys, who staged a whale of a variety show; and Ren Kent and a host of outstanding solicitors and classroom speakers, my backbone. Then, there was my treasurer, Melvin Shupp, and his two cents worth, and my fine secretary, Betty Jo Pierce.

I sure do appreciate everybody who gave and gave, and particularly those like Mr. George Fowler, Betty O'Brien, Billie Brown, David Allred, Jo Ann Tough, Helen Fisher, Carolyn Monroe, Frances Nowotny, and Don Brewer, who raised money and morale. But I remember everybody, believe me—just not enough room in this letter.

I'm a little green, not quite dry behind my ears yet, and I sure would like to hear from people with ideas about how I ought to be raised. Send your suggestions to Box 102 or 584.

You've all made me so happy!  
 "Chestie"

To the Editor:

Subject: Letters to:  
 1) . . . "Name Withheld" and the TCU cheerleaders (minus Joe): I don't agree with you.

2) . . . All opponents of UMT and one James Miller in particular: You seem to think the Communist threat is only temporary and UMT

would only be a useless burden placed upon the American people. You probably think a hastily-trained, raw recruit would also stand a better chance of living on the battlefield than would a carefully trained soldier who has been taught to meet emergencies when they arise.

But just as we aren't worrying about the lives being lost in the present police action while a "truce" is being negotiated, the American people will vote down UMT and pray for the hearts of our enemies to change, and more blood will be shed before we learn.

3) . . . To the Editor: Who is this Growald character anyhow?  
 T. Roosevelt Allen, Jr.

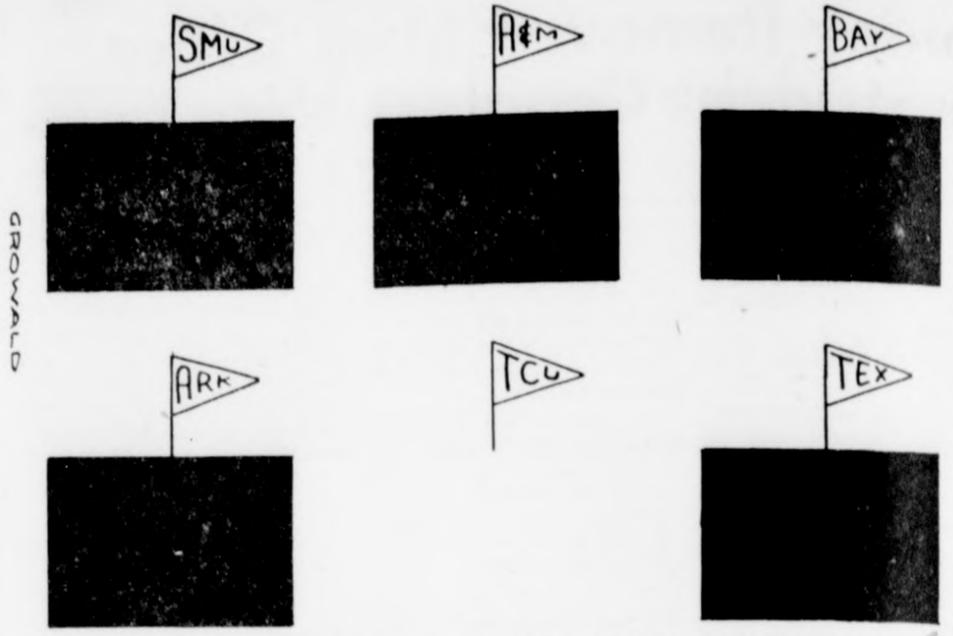
To the Editor:

Several years ago Ranch Week was one of the biggest, best planned events on the campus at Texas Christian University. For four days the Hill was given over to the wild west of yesteryear. The downtown parade was a gala affair. The rodeo was of near professional calibre and organized campus activity was at a high point.

This year, however, things will not be the same. Following the trend of the past few years, Ranch "Week" is getting shorter and shorter. There will be a mere half day vacation from classes.

If the trend continues in years to come, we will find ourselves with Ranch Moment, during which everyone will stand and face the West in silent tribute to the glory that was once the west's, and TCU's.

TCU, like any other college that has a desire to grow, needs publicity. Football does a more than adequate job of catching the public eye during the fall semester, but it takes a good gimmick to catch John Q. Public's eye during a season when professional sports outshine college athletics. We happen to have that gimmick,



Southwest Conference Student Union Buildings

## Off the Top of the Deck

# Travel Folders, Politics, Censorship Clutter Editor's Desk, Mind, Neck

BY RUSS HURST

At least a dozen travel agencies have been kind enough these past few weeks to litter our desk with folders describing the wonders of the world and the advantages of crossing oceans.

"See Scandinavia!", "Enjoy England!", "Go to Greece!" and other catch-phrases pop out of the gaudy envelopes to blind the orbs and stir the wanderlust.

And we note the inevitable buxom bathing beauty, pausing even before the time-scarred ruins of an ancient temple in Athens, as if she were just passing by on the way to the seashore for a dip in the azure blue (always azure) waters dancing under a gentle (always gentle) sun.

Well, regardless of the dubious advertising, most of us would still like to take a fling at a round-the-world tour, if only to satisfy our curiosity about those briefly-clad femmes dotting the landscape, whether it be moor, mountain, swamp or desert.

Trouble with most of us is that we can't lay hands on enough suitably engraved government notes to finance such a junket.

Tough enough to scrape together the price of a movie for self and little woman on Saturday night—or to meet a down-payment on a baby's new shoelace (now selling at the pre-war price of the shoes alone).

We've often wondered if foreign governments didn't pay the rent of those travel bureaus whose first objective is to lure us (and our cash) out of the hinterlands. Our suspicion is that they don't think they're getting enough for free from their Uncle Sugar (Daddy).

Another election year . . . and another barrage of poisonous propaganda designed to blacken the name of even the fairest-haired political candidate.

The politicians are few and far between who don't eventually resort to irresponsible name-calling

The student body, with the honest assistance of the Administration, both materially and financially, could make Ranch Week something to remember all year, not only to the students, but to the general public as well.

The Winter Carnival at Dartmouth, the Tournament of Roses at Pasadena and June Week at West Point and Annapolis are only a few of the "gimmicks" used to put schools and towns "on the map." Why not make Ranch Week TCU's claim to national fame by making it bigger and better, and then telling the world about it?

Bob Singer

in the hope of swiping a few votes from the enemy camp.

Undoubtedly that's one of the reasons men of high character and ability frequently refuse to toss their hats into the political ring, but remain instead in their snug, private jobs where they are free from slanderous attacks.

It seems to be a strange comment on our society when the very men who aspire to leadership in our country reveal in themselves some of the cheapest of human character traits.

But, as we said, it's election year. Pass the ear muffs, please.

Two more college papers are eating censor's sawdust.

The Lobo at the University of New Mexico, and the Diamond-back, University of Maryland, are the latest to be caught up in this dangerous trend.

Five student members of the publications board at the New

Mexico school were fired by the student council when the paper refused to publish a student government column free and without editing.

And at Maryland, the administration has posted a new rule: "Student editors must submit to faculty advisors any matter that is questionable, controversial or debatable."

Editor and Publisher magazine commented on these incidents, "The rash of crackdowns on student newspaper freedom will continue as long as the present tendency toward intolerance, and paralysis of freedom of thought and speech on college and university campuses.

"Meantime, the college editor bears an ever-increasing resemblance to the man at the circus who sticks his head in the lion's mouth."

Which might explain that gnawing sensation on the back of our neck . . .

# Students Don't Favor Loyalty Oath Trend

By Associated Collegiate Press

College students tend to disapprove of loyalty oaths, and college graduate students are overwhelmingly opposed to them, according to results of the ACP National Poll of Student Opinion.

Students in 63 colleges and universities were asked: In general, do you approve or disapprove of having college professors take an oath stating that they are not members of the Communist party. The results:

1. Approve . . . . . 39 per cent
2. Disapprove . . . . . 47 per cent
3. No opinion . . . . . 12 per cent
4. Other . . . . . 2 per cent

Seventy-three per cent of the graduate students oppose a non-Communist oath, while 20 per cent are in favor of it.

Comments range from cryptic retorts to fairly lengthy explanations.

## An Apology

Our sincere apologies to those favorite candidates who felt they were included unfairly in the "Remember Abigail!" editorial last week.

The editorial unintentionally implied that all the candidates were guilty of petty politicking at the Presentation Ball.

In the majority of cases, of course, candidates' actions were above reproach. But again, to the guilty few, a resounding Bronx cheer.

A sophomore from a west coast university, who disapproves, asks, "Is this a democracy?"

In general, students at large schools tend to be more opposed to an oath than students at small schools. This partially explains why graduate students, most of whom attend larger universities, are shown by the survey to be overwhelmingly against the oath.

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# North Texas to Attend Friendship Club Meeting

A regional meeting of the International Friendship Clubs will be held March 22, Dr. J. H. Hammond, associate professor of Spanish, announced this week.

The meeting is jointly sponsored by the International Friendship Club, of which Dr. Hammond is a sponsor, and the Student Christian Association.

Representatives from schools in the north Texas area will attend the meeting.

Activities are slated to begin at 4 p.m. in the Student Lounge, with entertainment by the TCU Wood-

wind Trio. Miss Mabel Major will speak on "The Southwest, Where Culture Meets."

During the business meeting, at 6 p.m., the possibilities of forming a Regional North Texas Foreign Students Organization will be discussed. All schools in the north Texas area will be eligible for membership.

Dinner at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria will close the days activities. Hans Gerhard, president of the International Friendship Club, will be toastmaster and Dr. O. R. Nielson will be speaker.

# Eleven Students Receive TC-ROTC

Eleven Transportation Corps ROTC cadets have been advanced in rank, according to Lt. Col. John Murray and Capt. Virgil Warner.

John T. Russeau, Longview junior, made the biggest jump by being appointed cadet second lieutenant.

Receiving the rank of cadet master sergeant were Cadet Sgt. Leland Coggan, Kirkwood, Mo., junior, and Cadets Julian Few and Clarence Stinson, Fort Worth sophomores.

Promoted to cadet sergeant were Bennie Gene Browder, Weatherford junior, Arthur Budge, Odessa junior, Clair Dopson, Bastrop, La., sophomore, William Easterling, Pine Bluff, Ark., sophomore, Samuel Lanham, Everman junior, John Simons, Fort Worth freshman and Charles Yager, Fort Worth sophomore.

# Dormitory Girls Lead Honor Roll

Of 94 freshmen who made the honor roll, 41 are dormitory women, reports Miss Elizabeth Shelburne, dean of women.

The remaining 17 women are town students. Thirty-six boys complete the list.

Over 40 per cent of all dormitory women made a "B" average or better, for the fall semester. Only 12 per cent made less than a "C" average.

"This is a fine record, and I think it shows that it is possible to study in a dormitory," said Miss Shelburne.

# Thompson Goes to Rice As Graduate Assistant

James Thompson, Fort Worth senior, recently received a graduate assistantship from Rice University to study low temperature physics, next year.

Thompson is a physics major and student laboratory assistant here.

# Chunn, McCorkle Visit West Texas High Schools

Dr. C. E. Chunn and Dean T. S. McCorkle returned yesterday from a trip to west Texas where they have been counseling graduating seniors in high schools in several cities concerning college education.

The visit was under the auspices of the High School Visitation Committee. Stops were made in Abilene, Sweetwater, Midland, Big Spring, Lamesa and Waco.

# Racial Relations Expert Luncheon Guest Today

Bayard Rustin, interracial relations specialist, will be guest at a luncheon in the faculty dining room at noon, today.

Rustin is being sponsored in Fort Worth by the American Friends Service Committee.

# 'Successful' Chest Drive Falls Short of \$3100 Goal

More than \$1300 was contributed by students to the Campus Chest Drive that ended last week.

Co-chairman Miss Eloise Mayo, Santa Paula, Cal., junior, said the response of the day school and dormitory students to the drive was "very good."

"The high goal was established intentionally," insisted Miss Mayo, "so we would have something to strive for this year and next. The drive definitely was not a failure."

The campaign, however, fell short of the \$3100 goal by more than \$1700.

Co-chairman Martin Turner said the total collected would be distributed between the four projects on a percentage basis except for the Korean student.

The Campus Chest took the responsibility of providing the room and board for Dae Sook Suh, so he will receive the \$650, this leaving less than \$900 to cover

the other three projects included in the drive.

One-fifth of this total will be given to Jarvis Christian College for work scholarships. A like amount will be sent to International Christian University in Japan.

World Student Service Fund will receive the remaining three-fifths of the contributions.

# Students Hear Hutton

Registrar S. W. Hutton spoke Wednesday at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary before religious education students chapel.

"Fine Arts in Religious Education" was the title of his speech, delivered in Price Hall.

# Advice Profitable—

# Miss Bokor, Robinson Win Contest Money

Miss Sylvia Bokor, Mission sophomore, and Tom Robinson, Detroit, Mich., sophomore, are winners of The Skiff Leap Year contest.

Awards of \$5 each will be given the winners this week. The entries were judged on the basis of "the zanier the better."

On writing about how to catch a man, Miss Bokor suggested the "indirect approach." This included a half-nelson grip and a large club.

"The Student Lounge is the logical place to catch a male," reasoned Miss Bokor.

Ten commandments for escaping matrimony during Leap Year won



ROBINSON BOKOR

the prize money for Robinson. "Keep her guessing . . . if she likes night clubbing, take her horseback riding . . . if she likes fishing, go to the opera" was the tenth commandment, summing up his ideas.

# UN Attitude One of Optimism Says Mrs. Ruth Bryan Rohde

Optimism rather than defeat characterizes the United Nations as presented by Mrs. Ruth Bryan Rohde, delegate to the UN, Monday night in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

"A path to peace" sums up Mrs. Rohde's picture of the UN.

Daughter of "silver-tongued" William Jennings Bryan, spoke to less than 200, including approximately 50 students.

"UN intervention in Korea is the first operation of collective security and an important step toward peace," Mrs. Rohde said.

As former minister to Denmark, she cited that country's contribution "as a reminder that the conflict is co-operative one."

One of its two passenger vessels has been converted into a hospital ship for the Korean area. Only one-twentieth the size of Texas, Denmark spent more than one million dollars in equipping the ship.

"Korea demonstrates that if an aggressor attacks a smaller country he must face the opposition of the

peoples of the world," Mrs. Rohde said.

The UN, in her opinion, is providing the peace with justice which the League of Nations failed to practice in the event of Mussolini's march to Ethiopia.

Mentioning the improved skills in communicating with each other, Mrs. Rohde spoke of a feeling of working together which is prevalent in the General Assembly and the Social and Economic Council.

Such groups as WHO, World Health Organization; IRO, International Refugee Organization, and UNESCO are illustrations of the UN at work in the world, she said.

"UN will go where the people of the world determine it shall go. Responsibility for its success rests with us, if the peoples, the 1,765 million represented," Mrs. Rohde insisted.

With increased technics in radio and television, UN headquarters has become the news center of the world, she added.

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# SPORTS SHRDLU

BY DAN JENKINS

Prof. Robert B. Reynolds of the University of Iowa's science department has developed a formula with which he can evaluate the abilities of major league baseball players.

Runs batted in, he maintains, do more to put a team in the first division than the number of hits collected. To determine the best pitchers, he takes the number of earned runs (of the opposing team) and multiplies them by nine and then divides the number of innings pitched.

On the basis of his calculations, Gus Zernial of the Athletics and Monte Irvin of the Giants led the American and National leagues in battling, respectively, in 1951.

Saul Rogovin of the White Sox and Chet Nichols of the Braves were the two leading pitchers.

Prof. Reynolds, therefore, repudiates past baseball sages in his contentions. It is his theory that good pitching is not the most important asset to a winning team.

Batting, he calculates, is of equal weight. Further, his statistics show that good fielding and stolen bases are worthless. "My formulas will aid club officials," Prof. Reynolds says. "They cannot be used blindly, however." It is doubtful that Prof. Reynolds' statistics will be used at all. Baseball has gone on for several years now on the assumption that game-winning pitchers, who can get a man out when they have to, and consistent batters with high averages are the ingredients for a championship organization.

Prof. Reynolds' formulas could be helpful in other figure 1896,537,986, which is 196,237,968 persons more than the population of Schleswig-Holstein.

By dividing the number of times Trotsky hit his opponent in the face by the number of calluses on his, Trotsky's, hands, we determined that the champion was a Communist and for years prior to the tournament had been an associate of Lenin.

Carrying Prof. Reynolds' formula further, we determined that Igor Ykknik, who once was Belgrade's ping pong titlist, ate six meals a day. Dividing the number of meals he consumed into the number of times he hit the ball, it was proved that he seldom grew hungry after a title match.

Moving into the realm of track and field, we calculated that Sweden's Gunder Haag seldom took a warmup leap before competing in the broad jump. There were several reasons, the chief one being that Haag was not a broad jumper.

The records clearly state that Oregon's Les Steers once high jumped 6-11. Adopting Prof. Reynolds' formula, we proved that Steers couldn't have done it with a stepladder since it was illegal to high jump over 6-2 with a stepladder before 1947.

Multiplying 1947 by 1944, which is the year Steers' set the record, we arrived at the figure 196, 537, 968, which is 196, 237, 968 persons more than the population of Schleswig-Holstein.

Steers has never been to Schleswig-Holstein, proving that high-jumpers, as a rule, don't get around much.

In the release that reached our desk, it was written that Prof. Reynolds has an amateur interest in baseball.



## Linksmen Contest Trinity Today Southwest Tourney Is Tomorrow

TCU's 1952 edition of "Divot for the 72-hole route. Bill Tatum, Diggers" opens the season today against Trinity University at Colonial Country Club.

Tomorrow the team is entered in the Southwestern Recreation Meet at Z. Boaz Municipal Course. Eight men will compete in this event. They include the varsity and the second team.

Grover Swift led qualifiers in the regular 72 hole qualifying with 318. Captain Dan Jenkins had 319

The second team is composed of Gene Shields, Jack Gibson, Archer Marx and Bill Bishop.

### REF'S APOLOGY

In a Big Six basketball game recently the referee did the unmade a mistake and actually apologized: He admitted he had ogized to the players.

## Clarkmen Compete Tomorrow In Southwestern Track Meet

TCU trackmen, led by Wes Ritchey, take to the cinders tomorrow morning at Farrington Field in the annual Southwestern Track and Field Meet.

Eight varsity squaddmen are entered in the University division and 12 Wogs, among them, speedy Ronald Clinkscale, will sweat for the honors.

Ritchey is the fellow who single-handedly outscored Baylor and Rice in the Border Olympics last week to give TCU fourth place.

The versatile sophomore from San Antonio competed in four events, placing fourth in the javelin contest with a throw of 173 feet, 11 1/2 inches.

Lettermen Tommy Mercer and Bernie Robertson are in top shape for the meet as is footballer Malvin Fowler, who will compete in the 440 yard dash.

Clinkscale is entered in the 100 and 220 yard dashes and freshman flash Robert Gathright will run the 880.

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# Batters Meet Carswell Next

BY BUD SHRAKE

Walter Roach, who directs the actions of Frog baseballers, sums up his team's troubles to date with briefness and conciseness not always common to the coaching profession.

"We," he says, "kicked too many, walked too many, and hit into too many double-plays. Those walks will kill you."

Those walks killed the Frogs last week when they dropped a series to SMU, didn't help much in their combat with Baylor, and are liable to be downright disastrous tomorrow afternoon when TCU entertains Carswell Air Force Base.

Earlier in the week Roach figured to open with Danny Powell against the airmen and let him throw for maybe six innings before being relieved by Mike Salim or Norris "Nobby" Graves.

"After all," Roach says, "it doesn't really matter too much who wins these practice games. What we're doing is giving the kids a chance to play and show us what they can do before the conference starts."

The fliers' line-up is filled with football players and athletes who have made quite a name in local sports activities—men like Vernon Glass, Rex Proctor, Dub Graves, and Louis Schaufele.

The Frogs, meanwhile, are still battling over starting berths. The right field slot has been occupied by three men so far, Pat Henderson, Wade Stepp, and Rene Sears, and Roach is not quite satisfied with any of them.

"Each of them can do one thing better than the others. One's got the speed, the other the arm, and still another the hitting power. If I could put them all three together I'd have a pretty good outfielder," Roach says.

Bill Frick and George Petrovich are sweating for the honor of squatting behind the plate with Frick drawing favor because of his coolness. Petrovich has been described as "getting a little too tight back there," but he is possibly a better hitter than Frick. This does not make Roach's problem any easier.

Bill Doty is handling first base chores most of the time and little Jim Stapleton is set at second, at least until the return of Johnny Ethridge. Bill Barnes, an outfielder, did the most potent swinging for the Frogs in the SMU series, getting three for seven, two of them doubles.

## Two Frogs Hog All-Star Honors

Basketball balloting is over and TCU has emerged with two all-conference players.

They are Johnny "Jug" Ethridge and "Gorgeous" George McLeod. Ethridge was acclaimed all-Southwest Conference guard and McLeod got the nod at center.

Some of the more well known polls which recognized these two roundballers are Associated Press, INS and Collier magazine's district six. McLeod also made all-conference on the Look magazine team.

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# Frogs Test Air Power Tonight

BY BILL WIESEHAN

TCU will play the first of two practice games tonight in preparation for the NCAA tournament in Kansas, March 21-22.

Opponent for tonight's game at eight in the Field House is the U. S. Air Force team. The air force team has as its nucleus the Tinker Air Base squad. Other air force stars have been recruited to fill out the team.

Several former all American and all conference men are on the service team's roster.

Foremost players are Gale McArthur who made all-American while playing for Oklahoma A&M in 1951; Richard Harmon, who holds the four year scoring record for Kansas State University and was named all American.

Another all American player is Bob Wallace from Regis College. Rounding out the list of top stars is Wayne Tucker, two years Big Seven all conference player from Colorado University.

Other men of top ability complete the 14 man squad which arrived here yesterday at Carswell Air Base by plane.

The strong Tinker Air Base squad this season played four scrimmage games with Oklahoma City University, winning two from the Chiefs who beat TCU in a practice game 68-41.

This performance speaks well for the excellence of the team the Froggies are to contest tonight.

Coaches of the air force team are Charles "Chuck" Fleenor and Oran Spears, former University of Texas player.

Monday at 8 p. m. in the Field House, TCU will play host to the Fort Sam Houston Rangers, another strong service aggregation.

Big guns for the Rangers are expected to be Joe McDermott and Bill Tom, both former Rice University performers.

In 1949 Tom led conference scor-

ing and dominated the backboards enough that he was named all-Southwest Conference at center. The big man entered the army and began playing service ball for the Brooke Medical team. He is on loan to the Rangers for the TCU game.

McDermott, in his junior year at Rice, 1950, flipped enough hook-shots through enemy-nets to win a place on the all conference team.

After warming up against opposition of this caliber, the Frogs should be ready to face anybody in the NCAA meet.

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## Meyer's Book To Be Published Early This Fall

L. R. "Dutch" Meyer has become an author.

The veteran TCU coach recently completed a book, tentatively entitled "Spread Formation Football," which will be published early in the fall by Prentice-Hall Co. of New York. The manuscript runs 60,000 words and is complete with 140 diagrams and many illustrations.

Plans for the movie on Meyer's life are still in the making. Nothing is definite as yet.

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# TISA Delegates Heard by Congress

Student Association Congress President Dick Ramsey, Carl Graner and Miss Pansy Kidwell gave brief reports to congress Monday on a Texas Intercollegiate Student Association convention they attended in El Paso last weekend.

Ramsey reported that the TCU group, which also includes Misses Pat Owens, Sally Moler, and David Harlin, con-

ducted a panel discussion on student and faculty relations. Miss Kidwell listed in her speech the advantages of TISA conventions.

"These conventions give students the opportunity to meet people from colleges and universities all over the state," Miss Kidwell said.

"By making these acquaintances, we were able to discuss,

consider and benefit from hearing the problems and practices of many other student governments.

"At the convention, it was agreed that all the schools represented would, in the future, promote the plan of declaring all official holidays on the same dates throughout the school year," Miss Kidwell added.

## 'Young Artists' To Sing, Dance Thursday Night

R. G. Webb, tenor, and Miss Sue Watson, soprano, will sing on a "Young Artists" program at 8 p.m. Thursday in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The program, sponsored by the Muarda branch of the Junior Women's Club, will also feature four dance numbers in which two TCU students will participate.

Edwin Holleman, junior, will dance in "Pas de Deux" and Jere Admire, senior, will solo in "Classic Variation."

Preparatory students of David Preston, ballet master, to appear on the program are Misses Sue Lynn Humphreys and Joanne Ford.

All students are from Fort Worth.

## PLAY TICKETS AT BOXOFFICE

Little Theatre boxoffice will open Wednesday for "Harvey," to be presented March 22-29.

Seats for any performance may be reserved by presenting student season tickets. Price for tickets is 80 cents without the student card.

Boxoffice hours are 1-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Seniors To Perform With TCU Symphony

Five senior fine arts students will perform with the TCU symphony orchestra, at 3:15 p.m., March 23.

Taking part on the program to be presented in Ed Landreth Auditorium are Misses Mary Neita Johnson, Fort Worth, cellist, and Frances Halstead, Ranger, oboist. R. G. Webb, Fort Worth, will sing tenor.

Other performers include Walter Holmes, Pine Bluff, Ark., bass and Miss Rhobie Kidney, Fort Worth, pianist.

## TRACK SCHEDULE OF MEETS

March 14-15 Stock Show Meet Fort Worth  
 March 21 Triangle Meet Dallas  
 March 28-29 West Texas Relays Odessa  
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## Recitals in Ed Landreth To Begin on March 24

The presentation of junior-senior recitals scheduled for March 24 through May 19 was announced this week.

Each recital will begin at 8 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium, unless otherwise stated.

March 24, Bill Lewis, Tulsa junior, voice; March 25, Gerald Cook, Fort Worth senior and William Henrichs, Roswell junior, trumpet and piano; March 30, Marshall Williamson, Fort Worth junior, piano; March 31, Miss Mary Louise Baker, Fort Worth senior, chamber music; April 1, Dolly Moss, Bryan senior and Le Roy Thomas, Fort Worth senior, voice and violin.

To be presented on April 4 is Buford Latimer, Fort Arthur senior and Dorothy Ayers, Gatesville senior, trumpet and piano; at 3:15, April 6, Miss Louise Deaigh, Fort Worth junior, piano; April 8, Bill Baker, Fort Worth senior and Morris Repass, Littlefield senior, voice and trombone; April 9, R. G. Webb, Fort Worth senior, voice; April 10, Miss Mary Lois Henson, Houston senior, violin; at 3:30 p. m.,

## Bramblett Recovering

Miss Ina Mae Bramblett, assistant professor of mathematics, returned home Monday following a short stay in a local hospital where she underwent treatment for an allergy. She is expected to return to classes Monday.

April 13, Miss Marian Armstrong, Fort Worth junior, organ; April 15, Don Gernsbacher, Fort Worth graduate students, piano.

Others are: April 16, Darrell Debo, Burnet senior, piano; April 17, Bettie Bunnell, Graham senior, piano; April 18, Walter Holmes, Pine Bluff senior, voice; April 23, Miss Sue Watson, Fort Worth senior, voice; April 30, Helen Keith, Fort Worth senior and Barbara Bentley, Abilene senior, organ and piano; May 2, Milby Hudson, Fort Worth senior, clarinet; May 4, Curtis Pruitt, Lubbock junior, organ.

At 4:30 p.m., May 4, Marian Armstrong, organ; May 6, Mary Neita Johnson, Fort Worth senior and Frances Halstead, Ranger senior, cello and oboe; May 12, Miss Norma Morris, Fort Worth senior, voice; May 13, Miss Betty Holland, Fort Worth senior, trombone; May 14, Edwin Holleman, Fort Worth senior, voice; May 19, student composers concert.

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You can't have your pie and eat it too, but Jack Bridges, Glen Rose freshman, left and Murray Ferguson, Pleasanton junior, right, says they're practicing up for Ranch Week's annual pie eating contest.

## Verdure Villains Vex 'Vaquero', Get Lectured

Louis "Cowboy" Monroe demonstrated Friday night that he is not only a loyal guardian of the grass but also a great showman and lecturer.

Acting as doorman for a night at Foster Hall, the winning girls dormitory in Campus Chest Drive solicitation, he decided to take ad-

vantage of his situation and speak concerning matters dear to his heart. "The Evils of Illegal Parking and Walking on the Grass" was the subject of Cowboy's lecture. Deliberately, and with the audience control of a preacher in a tent meeting, Cowboy addressed Foster residents and their early-arriving dates. His "off the cuff" speech can be summed up in a phrase coined and popularized by Cowboy: "Hey, keed! Git off tha grass!"

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