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The Mixed Chorus, consisting of the men's and women's Glee Clubs went on a tour of 14 different Texas cities in 1941.

Some of the students in the group put this scrapbook together, detailing the highlights of the tour in photographs, for one of their music professors, Mrs. J.A. Dacus. Memorabilia from Mrs. Dacus's mother-in-law's 90th birthday celebration is also included in this scrapbook. She is also the mother of Melvin O. Dacus, a 1944 TCU graduate and "the father of musical theatre in Fort Worth"

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To "mama" Dacus

from the  
Glee  
Club





The Bus



The Gang



The Skipper  
L. E. Morahan  
Phone 48405..but  
never mind girls  
he's married and  
got a baby!

*Texas Christian University  
Mixed Chorus*

SEASON OF  
NINETEEN FORTY-ONE



TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

**LEADERS** on the Mixed Chorus' annual tour through West Texas starting Thursday will be Jimmy Moudy, left, president, and William J. Marsh, director.



## Mixed Chorus Group Starts Tour Thursday

Thursday the Mixed Chorus, composed of 19 girls and 19 boys, will leave on its annual tour, which will take the chorus into 14 West Texas cities on an 11-day schedule, April 24 to May 4, inclusive.

The chorus will be accompanied by Prof. W. J. Marsh and Mrs. J. A. Dacus, mother of Melvin Dacus.

James Moudy of Washington, D. C., will be presented as a special trumpet soloist. Miss Rosemary Willeford will be accompanist.

The program will be divided into six parts and will consist of the following numbers:

"T. C. U. Alma Mater Hymn"; Motet, "Panis Angelicus"; Palestrina, "Now Arise My Soul"; Bortynansky; "Bell Carol," Davis—Mixed Chorus. "Spirit Flower," Campbell-Tipton; "Mother Goose," a la Mozart, Davis—Woman's Choral Club.

Trumpet solo: "Ave Maria," Schubert—James Moudy.

"Song of the Jolly Roger," Candish; "O Promise Me," DeKoven;

"Good News, Chariot's Comin'!" Curtis-Burlin—Men's Glee Club.

"Blue Danube Waltz," Strauss—Mixed Chorus.

"Songs in the Twilight" — Mixed Chorus.

The schedule of the tour is as follows:

Wichita Falls	.....8 p. m.,	April 24
Vernon	.....8 p. m.,	April 25
Pampa	.....8 p. m.,	April 26
Borger	.....3:30 p. m.,	April 27
Amarillo	.....8 p. m.,	April 27
Tulia	.....3 p. m.,	April 28
Lubbock	.....8 p. m.,	April 28
Big Spring	.....8 p. m.,	April 29
Midland	.....7:30 p. m.,	April 30
Pecos	.....8 p. m.,	May 1
Ft. Stockton	.....8 p. m.,	May 2
San Angelo	.....8 p. m.,	May 3
Abilene	.....3 p. m.,	May 4
Cisco	.....8 p. m.,	May 4

The list of the 38 members making the trip will be announced some time next week. Both the Women's Chorus and the Men's Glee Club are scheduled to sing in Dallas today for the State Music Federation contests.

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Meliorist Club  
May 6, 1941

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Philet Mignon

Pstuphphe Phresh  
Baked Potato Lima Beans

Butter Strawberry  
Phluphp Rolls Chiphphon Pie

Phinale Philtration

Mrs. A. J. Dacus, 90 Honored at Dinner

Mrs. A. J. Dacus of 2721 Wabash Ave. was honored on her 90th birthday Jan. 16 with a dinner party given by her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Scott Fasken of La Canada, Calif.

Other children attending the party were Mrs. Loris Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton

Blackmon of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dacus of Rogers, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Dacus Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dacus. Mrs. Dacus has 13 grandchildren, 10 of whom are living, five great-grandchildren and one great, great-granddaughter.

FROM MELIORIST CLUB  
TO Mrs. Dacus  
Ft. Worth, Texas



The Leader

W.J. Marsh, who had the very great pleasure of composing the state song "the eyes..." Oh no that's the wrong song, it's Texas Our Texas .



The Mother

Mrs. Dacus, who was a most wonderful mother to all the gang.

Gerald Graham  
Bob Ross

Floyd Lisle  
Dick Stone

Mr. W. M. Marsh  
Jimmie Paschal  
The Skipper and  
Myself.

Betty Ruth Plumbly  
Anelle Miller

Audry Abney  
Eula Meer's

Lou Marcella  
Bruce Vincent

Ray Luke  
Don Cobb

Dalene Boren  
Sue Williamson

James Morris  
Walter Holmes

Mary Frances York  
Jarllen Mussetter

Dale Boren

Jane Pitman  
Ethel Wilson

Norma Norton  
Nancy Nye

George Wright  
Ray Elliot

Doyle Green  
Dale Wickey

Paul Morgan  
Kenneth Schanewerk  
Charles Meek

Gloria Callaway  
Cherry Drenner  
Georgia Mixon

Barbara Knox  
Georgia Mathison

Sue Watson  
Jean Hill  
Betty O.Keef





Here's the baggage at  
Wichata Falls, but where  
is the gang, oh I see,  
there they are trying to  
dress Nancy Sue & Carol.



Hardin Junior College  
Wichata Falls, Texas



Children must have their fun. It is Mary Alice, Ann, and Uncle Billy.



Look pretty Ann, Harmon might see the picture.

# Golden Years Club Shuns Rocking Chair

BY GAIL BECKHAM.

Who said they're "retired?"

Dr. Samuel Ward Hutton, 74, six years ago began a second career as general secretary for the Texas Convention of Christian Churches a month after leaving the TCU administrative staff.

His office is across the street from the university campus, where he received his B.A. degree in 1911, his B.D. degree in 1931 and where he spent 27 years as assistant professor in Brite College of the Bible and as registrar.

A Disciples of Christ minister for 50 years, he also devotes one Sunday a month delivering the sermons at the Christian Church in Palo Pinto.

AND SAMUEL P. ZIEGLER, 78, chairman of the TCU art department from 1925-1953, is hard at work on his memoirs and adding to his extensive collection of paintings and sketches.

A vast collection of art picturing TCU's history and personnel from 1918 through 1948, portraits of composers and interpretations of their works used when Ziegler was cellist with the Pro Arte String Quartet here, and his artistic impressions of the works of Edgar Allen Poe, including "The Pit and the Pendulum," represent but a few of the subjects he has treated pictorially.

Keeping up with her large "family" of former TCU students, and her continued work as librarian for the Woman's Club and with the Texas and American Library Associations and the book department of the University Place Study Club provide activity for Mrs. Bertie Hall Mothershead, 78, of 2618 Rogers.

Mrs. Mothershead began her career in the TCU Library in 1933 and retired seven years ago after 15 years as chief librarian.

THIS TRIO — and 57 other active senior citizens including musicians, writers, school teachers, administrators, business men and housewives over 60 — are members of the Golden Years Fellowship sponsored by University Christian Church since 1955.

There are no idlers in rocking chairs present when the group has its luncheon meetings on the fourth Friday of each month during the autumn, winter and spring.

GYF's oldest member, 94-year-old George T. Cope, retired from his work as a real estate dealer at 82 and devotes much of his time now to his garden, which includes a corn crop; work for Precinct 81, in which he has been active since 1921, and composing verses written especially for GYF.

Cope, a graduate of the University of Texas Law School, was a practicing attorney here before entering the real estate business, and has been active in precinct politics since 1892 in Briscoe County.

HE RECALLS that election workers then were instructed to bring their Winchesters to discourage cowboys from neighboring counties from voting out of their precincts.

During the Forties, the versatile Cope raised more than 100,000 earthworms as soil conditioning agents and as feed for the chickens he raised in the yard of his home at 2613 Wabash.

His wife, a TCU ex-student



GEORGE T. COPE  
... watches garden grow.

with both B. A. and M. A. degrees, was a longtime field worker for the State Department of Public Welfare office here before her retirement in 1949. She served as president of GYF during 1958-1959 and was among the organizers of the University Study Club.

"All our members are lively and exceptionally bright people," Mrs. Fan Drews, University Christian's secretary and one of the GYF sponsors, said.

"THEY'RE NOT demanding, but helping to plan programs for their meetings requires a great deal of thought in what will interest them most."

Entertainment for meetings is divided about equally between utilizing the varied talents of the membership through programs and competitions and inviting speakers and performers. Occasionally, the group takes excursions and outings.

A GYF talent show about two years ago helped demonstrate to members where Melvin Dacus, Casa Manana general manager and local musician, got his talent.

His mother, Mrs. J. A. Dacus of 2721 Wabash, performed an impromptu waltz and accompanied herself on the harmonica.

The harmonica is her hobby. Her "career," she claims, is having raised six children, including Melvin. The other five are James A. Dacus, an official with Dorsey Grain Company here; Mrs. Joseph Fasken of Los Angeles, an assistant producer for 20th Century-Fox Studios; Mrs. L. H. Bennett of Dallas, a teacher in the Hockaday School; Mrs. Clifton Blackmon of Dallas, a member of the board for Parkland Hospital and the Juliet Fowler Homes operated by the Christian Churches, and Howard L. Dacus of Tulsa, owner of an engineering company.

HER HUSBAND, J. A. Dacus, professor in TCU's department of business both in Waco and Fort Worth before establishing

groups, as when they took a boat to Dallas to visit with the residents of the Juliet Fowler homes in Dallas.

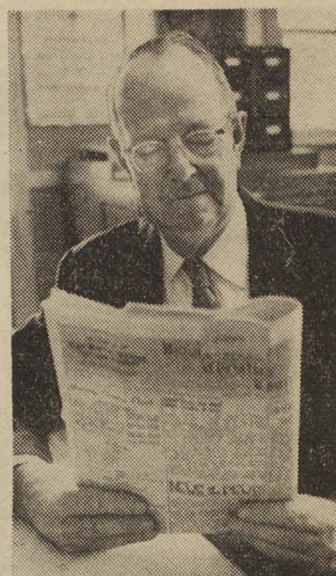
But it's pleasure before business for the group after the break for the summer. They take rides on the miniature train and the Trinity River Boat in Forest Park Aug. 19.

Miss Tomlinson returned "home" in 1952 to Fort Worth, where she received her B.A., B.S. and M.A. degrees from TCU, after teaching homemaking in Wichita Falls High School for 33 years.

Another TCU ex-student, John F. Bateman, B.A. '11 and M.A. '28, was a teacher and principal in schools here, including Paschal High, before being named administrative assistant for the Fort Worth Public Schools in 1940. He retired in 1955.

Enthusiastic about their group, GYF members have helped establish a similar organization at Northway Christian Church in Dallas and have supplied information to points as distant as Central Christian Church in Orlando, Fla.

And they sometimes share their programs with other



DR. SAM W. HUTTON  
... now a secretary.

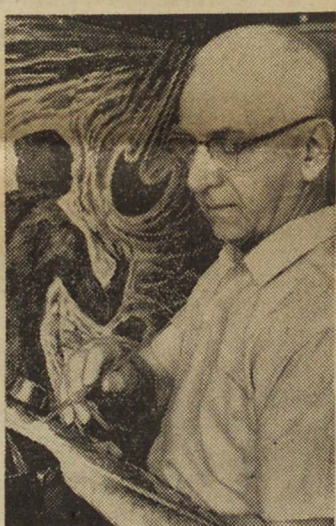
than 30 years ago, Mrs. Bickel was a correspondent for several newspapers, including the Des Moines Register, the Cedar Rapids Gazette and the Chicago Tribune.

The Tribune helped her devise a method for financing a trip to Europe when she utilized the bright sayings of her friends' children.

As proud mothers related their offspring's latest bon mot over the bridge table, Mrs. Bickel unobtrusively took notes, typed them up and sent them off to the Tribune. Each "short" paid \$5 each, and several were syndicated.

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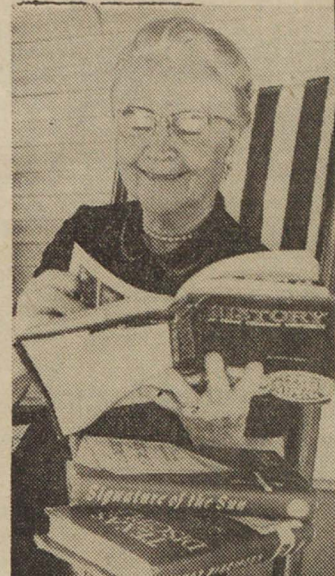
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## Four Tax Plans Aired By State Panel Members

AUSTIN, July 23 (P).—A special subcommittee studying new taxes for Texas laid out four multimillion dollar levies for discussion Saturday.

Each of the five members present had different ideas how the next Legislature can handle the mounting deficit and finance state operations in the future.

"I want you fellows to look at a business activities tax," said Dr. George C. Hester of Southwestern University, Georgetown, and chairman of the subcommittee on sources of additional revenue, a study group of the governor's 36-man State Finance Advisory Commission.

"It's a working compromise between the gross receipts tax, a net income tax and a payroll tax," Hester said.

"I have in mind a transfer tax," said John McKee of Dallas. "That's a new name for an old tax. If we are going to solve this problem we have got to get out of our minds the prejudice against a certain tax — the sales tax."

"I'm for a broadly based tax"

"I favor a payroll tax where one-half of it is paid by the employer and one-half by the employe," said W. W. Heath of Austin. "That would get everyone who works or has people working for them."

"I'm seriously interested in a payroll-type tax," said French Robertson of Abilene, "but I also want to make a serious study of cutting the present franchise and oil taxes."

Committee member Orville S. Carpenter of Houston was not present.

At the end of the general discussion Saturday the subcommittee agreed to meet Aug. 27 and begin writing the specific recommendations it will make by Sept. 8 to the parent committee.

Members present Saturday readily agreed they should recommend a "package deal" that would cover the state's growth perhaps for the next decade.

"We must have taxes with growth possibilities," said Robertson. "We must have taxes

—Star-Telegram Photos by Bill Perry.

SAMUEL P. ZIEGLER.  
... continues painting.

the Fort Worth Business College, died in 1940.

The GYF had a professional writer as its secretary when Mrs. K. D. Bickel of 2811 Lubbock divided her attention between free-lance writing and writing up the minutes.

Before coming to Fort Worth from McGregor, Iowa, more

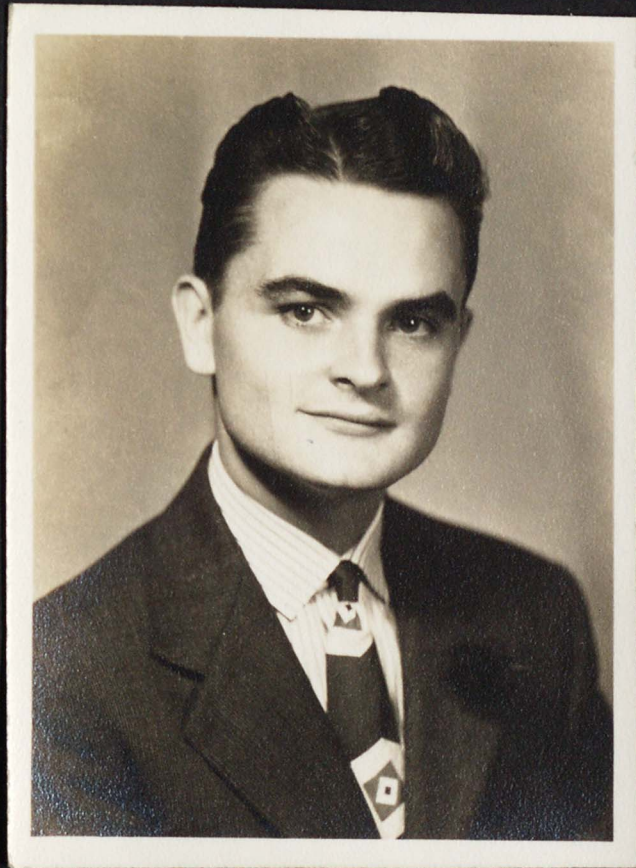






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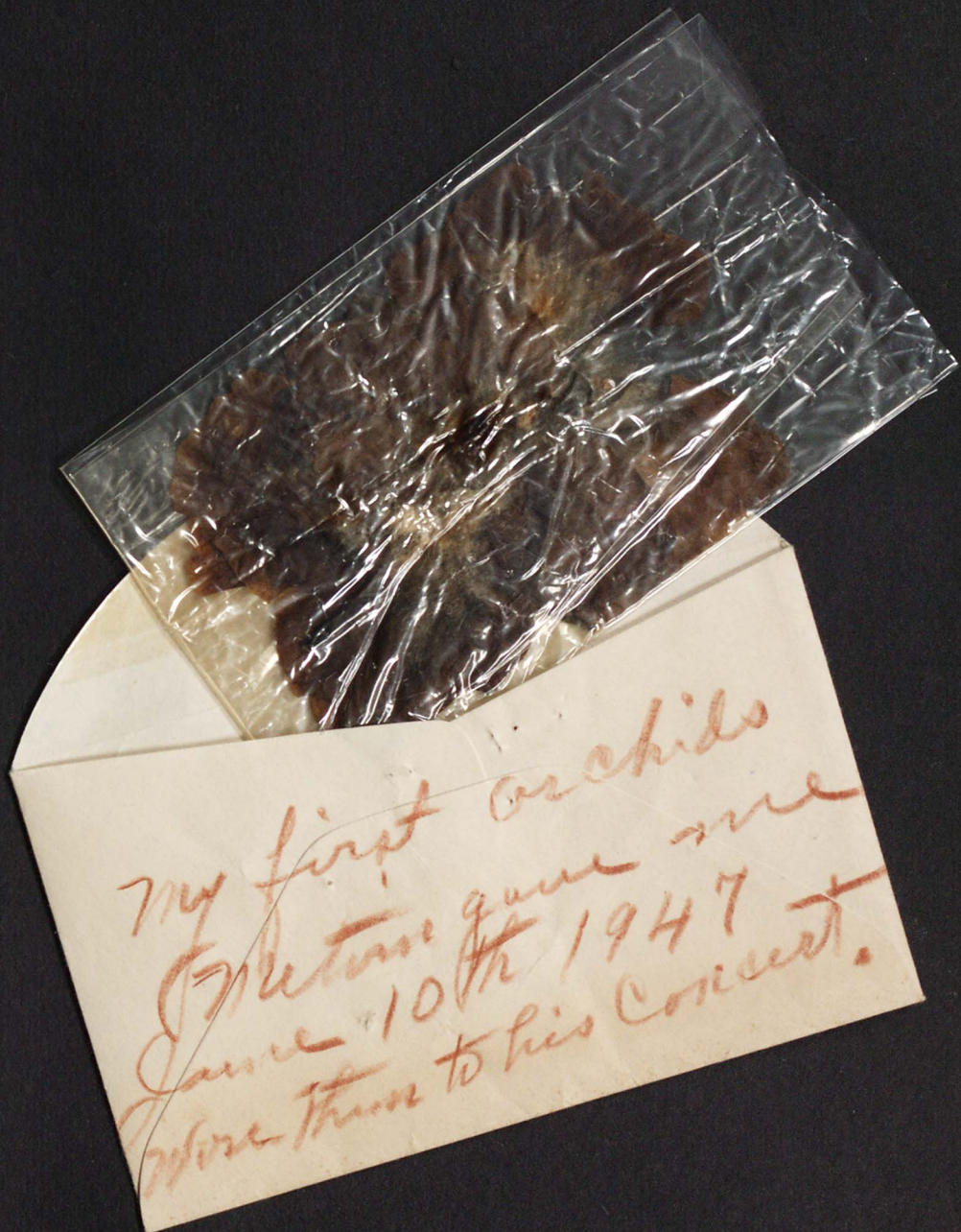
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Don't let those beer cans  
show, or they'll can me.

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*Mrs. J. A. Dacus*

MAY 15, 1942

**MANY HAPPY RETURNS**

Congratulations today to **Mrs. J. A. Dacus**,  
2721 Wabash, who is celebrating her 90th birth-  
day!

THE GOLDEN YEARS THEME SONG

O when we enrolled in the Golden Years fold,  
We were lonely and somewhat at sea;  
But now we confess as we share with the rest,  
That our friends seem much closer to be.

Refrain

Home, home in the fold  
And the Golden Years never grow old  
For we all take our place,  
There's not even a trace  
Of that loneliness left in the soul.

We've all shed our tears in these fellowship years,  
And our programs have been full of fun;  
So our hearts have been warmed  
And our spirits been charmed  
For our lives are united in one.



Frank Ward, Homer, Ann,  
Margie Mae, Arney, Benton  
at Midland.



Ann, Mama Dacus, J Hop, Mary  
Alice, and Rosie in front of  
Greyhound.



Uncle Billy and Mrs. Dacus  
are just posin'...



In the mouth of  
Carlsbad Cavern.



Above:  
Mary Virginia was left out when Uncle  
Billy passed the beer to Mason, Clark,  
Arney, Benton, and Tillman.



Brother Ahrney says de grace.



At Big Springs



Here's to Mama Dacus



Here we see part of the gang as they enjoy having their picture taken at Palo Dura Canyon.





"Skipper" sees the Davis Mountains in the distance as he drives us out to the big swimming pool at the new Balmoreha State Park.

There is Marshall Mason, Huston Foster, Ann Hutton, Orma Le Shelton, Audrey Nell Smith, Harry Rex Davis, Paul Kennedy, Frank Ward, and Frank Benton just before they go swimming.





This would be a good picture  
if all those ugly faces  
weren't it.



It certainly is lovely weather  
for a swim, don't you think?



It's time to rest awhile  
Mary Ruth, Mrs. Dacus,  
Rosie, and Mary Alice.



Some people will do anything  
just to get their pictures  
taken.. this is our business  
managing hilly billy, Paul  
Kennedy



Jimmy and Audrey hold  
hands as they "Hail all  
Hail, T.C.U."



Since this is the next to the last page, we wish to present the photos the girls presented for our beauty section. We had only two entrants, and the judges had such a hard time deciding whether Elsie's picture at left, or J Hop's (J Slop) at right should have the prize we have decided to include both of them, and you may pick your own winner.....





Woa here, who put this picture  
in with all the rest of these  
nice pictures... oh well it  
seems that they are saying  
goodbye, so now my friends  
as the sun sinks below this  
beautiful burr-head we must  
take our leave of this wonder-  
ful trip and say "Adios Amigo!"