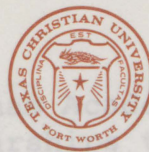
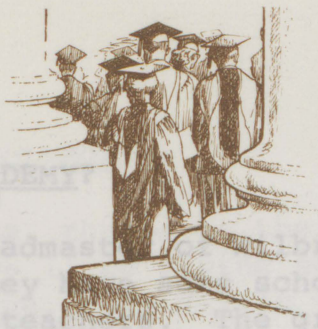


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OFF AND RUNNING INTO SPRING

Interesting, isn't it, how our lives are punctuated (even compartmentalized) by events? Our routines are interrupted by trips, Christmas, mother-in-law visits, baby arrivals, programs and conferences of special interest, a jillion and one other things. We're given to remembering things as "before the twins arrived" or "just after I gave that paper in New Orleans".

A change of semesters is, of course, a big breaking point for school people. It puts a period to some 18 weeks of work--and turns the page to a new chapter of effort. And there's always something stimulating about a fresh start. So, with registration ending today (Wednesday) and first classes at 8 a.m. Thursday, we're off and running in the Spring semester. As per always, the time will seem short before we form for the Commencement procession the evening of June 2. But 'twas ever thus.

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HERB LaGRONE NAMED EDUCATION DEAN

Hope everyone saw the announcement over the weekend that Dr. Herbert LaGrone will return to campus Aug. 1 as dean of the School of Education. He succeeds Otto Nielsen who, in asking for a two-year extension of his leave to work for the State Dept. in Guatemala, suggested the deanship be filled on a permanent basis.

Dr. LaGrone has also been on leave the last two years, conducting that \$215,000 research project for the American Assn. of Colleges for Teacher Education in Washington. During that time, he has won a national reputation and been the featured speaker at some of the most important meetings in the field. In accepting his new responsibilities here, Herb observed that "we are entering an exciting new era for education in all schools and all areas of learning...With the help of everyone on campus, we will seek the new ideas and attempt to bring them to realization". Well said--and welcome back Herb. We know things will be humming on the South end of campus.

ANY SONS FOR WILBRAHAM ACADEMY?

Comes a letter from the Headmaster of Wilbraham Academy (near Springfield, Mass.) reporting they have some scholarships they'd like to make available to sons of teachers. The grants range from "several hundred dollars to full tuition". The young men must be between 9-12, have sound character, high academic aptitude, achieved well and able to contribute in other campus activities. Public Relations has a copy of the letter and announcement should anyone be interested in sending a son to Massachusetts.

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SPRING LUNCHEONS START WEDNESDAY

The Spring series of faculty luncheons on Wednesdays begins next week and, as always, everyone who can is most cordially invited to take part. This time there will be 15 dates: Feb. 10-17-24; March 3-10-17-24-31; April 7-21-28; May 5-12-19-26. That goes up through Dead Week.

Once more those who watch the purse strings have given us a very fine deal. Season tickets (which may be purchased at the first event) will be only \$11.55--or 77¢ a meal. For what we get that is a bargain indeed. As usual, single meals will be \$1.02 with no reservations needed and guests always welcome. Hope you'll plan now to attend this once-a-week get-together. 'Tis good fun.

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DR. DeGROOT PUBLISHES SERIES II

A. T. DeGroot, our Distinguished Prof of Church History, has just published Series II of his microfilm reproductions of rare periodicals dealing with "Church Unity". Included are publications of the Catholic Church (in French), European Protestants (in German), Eastern Orthodox, Anglican, American Protestant and India (in English). No single library in the world has all these journals and in some cases there are only one or two complete sets. Sold as a set of 18 microfilms, Series II is priced at \$177. Dr. DeGroot reports he had especially fine cooperation from some of the Catholic scholars in his search. He plans another expedition to Europe next Summer.

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FOR RENT TO GRAD STUDENT

A living room-bedroom combination with private bath and entrance, half block north of campus. Has refrigerator, cooking privileges, carpeting, three closets, air-conditioning, garage. Call WA6-3236.

CRUCIAL HELP FOR JARVIS COLLEGE

Over the next three months, thanks to the deep concern of many of our fine faculty folks, we'll be giving some really crucial help to Jarvis Christian College. In May, a visiting team from Southern Association is to visit the 52-year old Negro school at Hawkins. The possibility of accreditation at this time will depend on its report. (Incidentally, the Association seems to be doing everything it possibly can to help).

In any event, it was suggested that we might help their academic situation if some of our top teachers in fields of specific need would go over during the next few weeks to work with the Jarvis faculty and students in an effort to upgrade their program. The big problem, of course, was that we had to carry on our TCU work first--then help as we could on a voluntary basis. At a meeting with the deans, divisional and departmental heads most concerned last week, V-C Jim Moudy outlined a simple, workable plan.

It was that selected "teams" from the humanities (including music), social sciences (including Business) and the natural sciences would alternate on weekend trips to Jarvis. There on Friday afternoons and evenings and Saturday mornings, they would meet and counsel with their Jarvis counterparts, hold special classes and labs, take part in other academic events the Jarvis people might plan. Actually, each "team" will make only three visits--once each month.

Dr. Moudy's idea was accepted with much enthusiasm, both by our people and the Jarvis officials. So the visits will start next weekend. No one will receive "pay" of any kind and all who take part will be volunteers. A large number of faculty people had already indicated they'd like to help but it was decided to send only those in the fields in which the Jarvis leaders have specifically indicated.

"This is really a wonderful thing," commented Dr. Moudy. "Our people have caught the spirit of cooperation in the highest sense and I'm sure that all those who take part will feel completely rewarded. And we are most grateful to them."

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\$55,000 GRANTS TO CHEM FOLKS

As you may have read, the Welch Foundation has extended two research grants for the next year with a total of \$55,000. Some \$40,000 goes to the project of Dr. William Smith, head of chemistry, for his three-year study of the relation of molecular structure with magnetic resonance spectrascopy. The rest goes to Dr. R. K. McLeod's studies of the triophene system. Very fine work.

THE LOWER-MIDDLE CLASS SYNDROME

Our thanks to Libby Proffer for calling attention to a delightful jeremiad entitled "Status Seeking in Academe" in the Dec. 19 issue of Saturday Review. Done by David Boroff of the NYU English faculty, it points to the now familiar pattern of "normals becoming teachers' colleges, teachers' colleges upgrading themselves to liberal arts colleges, liberal arts colleges being promoted to universities and universities--with no place to go--soaring into the empyrean as multiversities". In most instances the word precedes the deed but there comes a time when an academic community must live with its daytime resources and nighttime conscience.

All this escalation, Brother Boroff holds, is the result of "the lower middle-class syndrome" which is characterized by an intense desire for respectability and a pervasive insecurity. Like families "on the make", schools settle for the safe teacher--the threadbare Ph. D.'s who are the poor relations of their discipline. The syndrome also expresses itself in the selection of students with few chances taken on "the academically disheveled". The main thing is to stay out of trouble--so the Student Personnel Dept. becomes an annex of the Public Relations Office.

With great contempt for the familiar yardsticks--Ph. D. ratios, faculty salaries, library resources and that academic pork barrel called contract research--our colleague suggests some "informal indices" of his own of institutional excellence. For instance, he's found a direct correlation between the intellectual vitality of a school and the bravura of its bulletin boards. He's especially contemptuous of those places where all notices "have to be cleared with a prissy office of student activities determined to civilize the barbarians".

He lists other "sensitive areas" as the bookstore, browsing room of the library, student hangouts (especially places where students and faculty can talk things out over coffee). He's happy over one school that has put its paperback bookstore in the snack bar. Most important, we must guard against too much Big Brotherism our friend holds. And here he seems to be talking to the administration.

Finally, he defines his goal for a culturally aspiring college as "nothing less than a tumultuous diversity in which there is a built-in dialogue. College should provide a stirring exercise in pluralism, not because the student will meet it later on, but precisely because he won't. The truth is we tend to be ghettoized in our own professional middle-class enclaves". 'Tis an interesting piece, if a bit overstated. Read it if you get time.

TV SERIES TO START FEB. 20

"The Question Before Us", a series of modified debates on controversial questions of the day and produced by our Radio-TV-Film Division, starts over WBAP-TV on Feb. 20. Pre-taped in color, the programs will be shown on Saturdays, 3:15-3:45 p.m. The first show, with TCU speakers against NTSU duo, will deal with subscription TV. Under the format devised by David Matheney, our debate coach, neither side will "win" since the objective is simply to present both sides of a burning issue. R. C. Norris, new head of our radio-TV division, will produce the show.

Incidentally, R. C., Dean Frank Hughes, George Tade and A. Melton had a most profitable luncheon session last week with some of the top men of radio and television in our area. Our curriculum and program in this whole field was discussed and many fine suggestions made. Similar sessions are planned periodically as we attempt to improve and expand our work in the field. Our biggest impression: Top workers in the profession are urgently needed--not to appear on camera or speak into mikes but in the other areas of operation. We hope to help fill the need.

March 2 (note date change (- - - - -)) Beach speaker.
April 9 (date change) with Dr. Gustave Arlt, President of Graduate Schools of U.S. speaker);
also a change of place to Faculty Center.

ANOTHER HOUSE FOR RENT

Burl Crouch reports there's a three bedroom brick house (unfurnished) for rent a block south of campus. Has two baths, den, stove, dishwasher, 2-car garage, other extras. Rent: \$135 per month. The location is 3101 Rogers and call WA4-5979 if interested.

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CAREER CONFERENCE GOES WELL

Our 12th annual Citizenship and Career Conference, with more than 1,200 seniors from 32 high schools taking part, was a fine success last Friday. All reports have been good and the young folks seemed to get a lot from their day on campus. A group of young men did show up for a "Conference" in the Reed Hall pool room but were quickly straightened out. Our deep thanks to Dr. Sadler who gave a warm welcome, to Jim Farrar for the invocation, all our faculty and staff members who planned the Career discussions and their guests from downtown who took part. And we're especially grateful to the whole P.R. staff that worked so hard and to Libby Proffer, Les Evans and the others who served as greeters. Especially are we grateful to the ROTC officers and cadets (both Army and Air Force) who did yeoman service all day.

THE GEORGE FOWLERS TO INDIA

Next Fall semester, George Fowler will serve as visiting professor in world religions at the Kasturba Rural Institute for Higher Education in Rajpura, India. Accompanied by Lorene, he'll leave about Aug. 1 for this interesting assignment for which he's been given leave from the Undergrad Religion Dept. where he's taught since 1947. George, who served as Foreign Student Advisor for many years and was named "Professor of the Year" by Student Activities Council last Spring, plans to continue his study of Eastern religions during his service at the Institute. We know they'll both have a grand time.

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INTERVIEWS TO BE HELD ON CAMPUS

FACULTY MEETING FEB 18

The following companies will have representatives on campus during V-C James Moudy reminds that our February Faculty Meeting is set for the 18th, 3:30 p.m. in Dan Rogers. Paul Wassenich will be in charge with the Honors Program as the topic. The other Spring semester meetings have also been set and there have been some changes. Here's the lineup:

- March 2 (note date change) with Dr. Waldo Beach speaker.
- April 9 (date change) with Dr. Gustave Arlt, President of the Council of Graduate Schools of U.S. speaker); also a change of place to Faculty Center.
- May 14 (no change) with Mrs. Jewell Wallace leading the discussion on "Undergraduate Admissions at TCU".

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FIRST ISSUE OF DESCANT DUE

Betsy Colquitt, editor of our fine literary magazine "Descant", reports the first of three issues during 1964-65 is about ready for distribution. As usual, many of our people will want to subscribe (\$1.50 per year) so this coupon is printed for convenience. Just fill it in, tear out and send to the English Department.

TO THE TCU ENGLISH DEPARTMENT:

Please enter my subscription for Descant for the 1964-65 school year. Enclosed find my check for copies or bill me at address below

Signed: _____

Address: _____

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FACULTY INVITED TO HEAR JUSTICE CLARK

Associate Justice Tom Clark of the U. S. Supreme Court will be the speaker at the IFC-Panhellenic Banquet to be held in SC Ballroom at 6:30 p.m., Feb. 11. The famed Texan is very active in fraternity work and is national vice-president of Delta Tau Delta. Faculty, students and the public are invited to the event here, according to Jim Lane who is serving as general chairman. Tickets are \$1.75 and can be obtained at the cafeteria on Worth Hills until noon Feb. 10. Chancellor M. E. Sadler will introduce Justice Clark.

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INTERVIEWS TO BE HELD ON CAMPUS

The following companies will have representatives on campus during the week of Feb. 8 to interview our graduating seniors:

- Feb. 8 - U.S. Public Health Service - Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 8 - J. C. Penney Co. - Business & Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 9 - Associates Investment Co. - Business & Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 10- Equitable Life Assurance Society of U.S.- Business & Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 10- Household Finance Corp.- Business & Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 11- Great American of Dallas Insurance Co. - Business & Liberal Arts majors
- Feb. 11- Dallas County Camp Fire Girls, Inc., All majors
- Feb. 12- Humble Oil & Refining Co. - Accounting majors
- Feb. 12- Petty Geophysical Engineering Co. - Geology, Math, Physics and related sciences

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SUMMER SCHEDULE OUT

Can't say there's any grass growing under the feet of Calvin Cumbie & Co. The announcements and schedule of classes folder for SUMMER SESSION has already come from the printers.

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NOTES ON RIGHT NOTABLE FOLKS

MAYBELLE TINKLE and JUANITA OWENS (with Cleo) chaperoned our annual ski trip to Red River, N.M., between semesters. At last report, all had returned safely although some of the older folks were in need of rest.

JOHN HAMMOND spoke on "Our Opportunities in Latin America" at the opening session of a School for World Outreach at Memorial Christian Church in Jacksboro last week. Incidentally, Old Grad Ben Hearn is the pastor there.

MORE NOTES ON FOLKS OF NOTE

JACK SUGGS of Brite was elected program chairman for the next annual meeting of the American Textual Criticism Seminar to be held at Vanderbilt at next Christmastide. After attending meeting of several related associations in N.Y. recently, he returned via DukeU. (his Alma Mater) for a lecture to the seminary group and a check on patristic materials in the office of the International Greek New Testament Project.

IKE HARRISON & CO. in Business are proud of the appointment of Old Grad William C. Morro, Jr., as vice-president and Area General Manager of Chemicals, Union Carbide Corp. Us too.

C. J. FIRKINS reported a very fine attendance for the meeting of the North Texas branch of the American Personnel & Guidance Assn. held on campus last week. Dr. Bert Kruger Smith of the Hogg Foundation, author of "No Language But a Cry", was the guest speaker. Some 80 counselors attended from over the N. Texas area. Fine work.

CHARLES FOOTE sends word that faculty folks will be welcome to enroll in that Special Course on income taxes he will be conducting over a five-week period starting Feb. 9. Sessions will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 7-9 p.m. For full info., call Ext. 291.

WARREN AGEE, kinetic dean of E.C., has been rushing about: Spoke on adult ed to SW Bell Telephone Co. "Pioneers" (vets with 21 or more years of service); with HOWARD WIBLE, attended Midcontinent Conference of Assn. of U. Evening Colleges at Norman, Okla; as member of National Council on Public Relations Ed participated in accreditation inspections of journalism programs at OhioU. and San Jose State College; chaired committee studying undergrad chapters of Sigma Delta Chi (journalism society); finished galley proofs of first major revision of his text (with two others) "Introduction to Mass Communications". Meanwhile, he taught Fall class using said text and made ready to teach "History of Journalism" in Spring. Wonder what he's doing in his spare time?

GENTRY SHELTON returned recently from a meeting of a National Fellowship Committee of Disciples Directors in Nashville. The group is concerned with standards, qualifications, certification, etc. of professional Christian education.

MURRAY ROHMAN was in Washington, D.C. last week for a conference of the National Academy of Arbitrators. About 300 experts from over the nation have been elected to membership in this organization. The conference was concerned with review of leading arbitral decisions in labor-management relations and ways of aiding both labor and management in writing collective bargaining agreements. Murray, of course, is one of the top men in this field in this area.

KARL RICHARDS and HARRY GEFFERT of Art will take part in the program of the Texas Art Educators' Spring Conference to be held at Western Hills Hotel Feb. 26-28. Both will serve on panels.