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CARING SEMESTER'S END

The fall semester of our 85th session is on its last legs, in its final throes--just about put. Remember these dates: Jan. 7-11 (that's this week) COUNSELING FOR SPRING SEMESTER; Jan. 13-17 REVIEW WEEK; and Jan. 20-24 FINAL EXAMS. And Jan. 25-31 (that's Tuesday-Friday) is REGISTRATION for the spring.

It is hoped that everybody has urged students to see their counselors and/or major professors for the pre-counseling period. It makes things a lot easier during registration for both staff and students.

And don't forget that there will be NO faculty luncheons Jan. 22-29 (there will be one on Jan. 15) and that the spring series will start on Wednesday, Feb. 5. More details on this is a bit later.

And yes, remember that Jan. 10 is the last day for dropping a course. And still in the spirit of the holidays, we wish one and all a very happy "Semester's End"!

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CAREER CONFERENCE ON JAN. 24

Almost a hundred members of our faculty and staff will be involved in the annual "Citizenship and Career Conference" on campus Friday, Jan. 24. This is our fifth such event in co-operation with the Chambers of Commerce of West Texas and Fort Worth. Already some 1,100 high school seniors of our area have accepted invitations and the total may hit 300-1,500.

Pres. Sadler will welcome the group at the first general meeting that morning and Congressman Jim Wright will be the speaker. Our full band will furnish entertainment and 34 conferences in various career areas will be held in the afternoon starting at 1:30 o'clock. They are all being arranged by faculty members.

Incidentally, tabulations of the questionnaires sent the high schoolers in advance are showing interesting things. As might be suspected a very high percentage are marking "engineering" as a career choice but the voting for "chemistry-physics," "business administration" and "secretarial science" is almost as heavy. And a surprisingly large number are marking "religion," "accounting," "Military service" and "drama." There seem to be fewer this year thinking of such things as beauty culture, athletic coach and machinist. It is interesting to note changes on interest over the five-year period we have conducted the Conference.



NEW GERMAN PROFS

If you saw the announcement on our new assistant professors of German. Dr. R. C. Wyatt comes in for the spring semester and Dr. Leslie John Parker for the fall. Both have had interesting careers.

Dr. Wyatt holds his B. S. from North Texas State, M. of Foreign Studies from Maryland and his Ph. D. from State U. of Iowa. He's lived in Europe over six years and studied at U. of Zurich. In recent months he's been working on a novel and comes to us from Alabama. He's 33.

Dr. DeGroot Parker, 45, was born in Budapest, studied at the Universities of Budapest, Leipzig, London and Canberra in Australia. He holds three B. A. degrees, the M. A. in German and the Doctor of Science. He's been teaching and working on the Ph. D. at the U. of Texas. He served in the Australian armed forces in World War II and married an Australian girl. He's also a master printer and has done four books on languages and printing.

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CHARLES P. TAFT TO SPEAK THURSDAY NIGHT

MINISTERS' WEEK JAN. 13-16

The third event on our "Select Series" this year, Mayor Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati and hundreds of pastors and religious leaders from all over the Southwest will be on campus next week for our annual "Ministers' Week" event. Harold Lunger and Charles Kemp of Brite College staff will be two of the featured speakers.

Mayor Taft is, of course, the son of our 27th president and brother of the late Senator. He will deliver the first two Oreon E. Scott Lectures and Charles the three McFadin Lectures. Dr. Clarence E. Lemmon of Columbia, Mo., is to give the three L. N. D. Wells Lectures. The third Scott Lecture will be delivered on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock to a campus-wide convocation in Ed Landreth by Dr. J. Irwin Miller, a leading spokesman of Columbus, Ind. He's a graduate of Harvard and Oxford and we will award him an honorary degree.

Some of the lectures on the very busy schedule sound most challenging and all faculty members who can are urged to hear them. Printed programs are now available. The program committee is chairmanned by Noel Keith and includes Kenneth Hay and W. A. Walsh of Dallas, D. Ray Lindley, Granville Walker and Elmer Henson.

READING PROGRAM STUDY

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"MISS CARTER" SEEKING INFORMATION

The registrar's office reports that a "Miss Carter" has contacted several teachers and students seeking personal information. The voice has been saying: "This is Miss Carter known at TCU."

Investigation reveals our only "Miss Carter" is Eula Lee of Spanish and that she has not been seeking any such info. So if you get one of these calls, better find out more about the matter before giving any confidential dope--or any info for that matter. The activity may be a result of the appearance of our new Student Directory which sometimes causes a flock of advertising and selling schemes.



DeGROOT TO SHOW OFF TEXAS

A. T. DeGroot has invited one and all to view the new "heavenly" map of Texas that has been painted on the ceiling of his office on the first floor of Brite. In fact, he's planning a little party for the afternoon of Tuesday Jan. 14, and will serve tea--or coffee.

Also on display will be a new oil painting of Nieuwe Kerk and Royal Palace in Amsterdam. The "New Church" (begun in 1414) was the place of the first meeting of the World Council of Churches in 1948 to which Pres. Sadler was a delegate. The painting has been acquired to go with the Archives of the Commission of Faith and Order, held here at TCU. Says Dr. DeGroot:

"The painting may be seen any time, but on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2-5 p.m., it may be seen to the accompaniment of tea or coffee. At the same time, those who care to do so may look up and see the Revised Standard Version of the map of Texas, first contribution of the Brite College Catacombs." Enough said. Everybody attend the party.

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CHARLES P. TAFT TO SPEAK THURSDAY NIGHT ✓

As the third event on our "Select Series" this year, Mayor Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati will speak in Ed Landreth Auditorium Thursday night at 8 o'clock. His subject: "Why A Labor Party in the U.S."

Mr. Taft is, of course, the son of our 27th president and brother of the late Senator Robert A. Taft. He's a top leader in religion, good government and civic betterment. He has a long record of achievement and will be well worth hearing. Jerome Moore is to introduce him and many leaders of the area will be platform guests.

Season tickets are good, of course, and indications are that a few hundred others can obtain tickets at the door. They are \$1. The Select Series Committee is hoping for a big turnout so if you possibly can, hear Mr. Taft Thursday night. Students in many areas should also hear this outstanding discussion.

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READING PROGRAM STUDY

Dean Larry Smith passes on some interesting info about our Developmental Reading Program conducted by Oscar Causey. Out of the group in the frosh class in the lower 30% on the Diagnostic Reading Test who were advised to take the course, 75 did and 180 did not. At mid-term, roughly 25% of the people taking the course had at least one "F" and 30% of those NOT taking it had mid-term "F's." While not conclusive, of course, these figures are interesting. A letter has been sent to the 180 who seem to need the course suggesting they try it in the Spring. Prof. Causey will hold places for them in the pre-registration period. Spaces not so taken will be open to upper classmen during registration.



As a further study of the Reading Program Prof. Causey polls his own students from time to time. Here are the answers to a recent questionnaire:

Question	Yes	No	Undec.
1. Has this course helped you to improve your reading skills?	85	3	3
2. Do you find it easier to read your study assignments now than you did before taking this course?	74	9	8
3. Do you feel that this course has helped you to improve your grades in any of your academic courses?	44	22	25
4. Do you now enjoy reading more than you did before taking this course?	55	27	9

This certainly would indicate that the student taking the Reading Course finds it beneficial.

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ARE CHURCH, SCHOLASTIC SCHEDULES OBSOLETE?

In the bi-monthly meeting between administration and student leaders this Monday, Vice-President D. Ray Lindley raised some interesting questions. He expressed the thought that our school schedules--from elementary up through university--were an outgrowth of the early U. S. agricultural civilization when young people were needed on farms during the "crop season." Hence the custom of fall and spring semesters and summer vacation.

He also wondered if the early-day habit of holding church services at mid-day, so that folks could get their chores done, hitch up the buggy and drive in, wasn't a bit obsolete in these days of urban living and high-powered autos. He felt the mid-day schedules forced some people to make a choice between attending church and taking a trip or other recreational outing with the family.

His out-loud thinking stimulated a rousing discussion among our student leaders. Almost all were agreed that students could be much better prepared in grade and high school; that college curriculums should be changed to prevent repeating work covered in high school.

Asked point blank if they were being challenged and worked to capacity intellectually at TCU, the students (almost all seniors) were unanimous in their opinion that they were NOT. Further discussion of this point brought out a long-obvious fact: Challenge and stimulation varies from course to course and teacher to teacher. It's a most important point to ponder and maybe everybody should take a look at their methods.

Of course, nothing was settled at the session but everybody agreed it got a lot of folks to thinking. Any members of the staff have any ideas in this area? It might be good to kick 'em around.

DR. MURPHY of Biology attended the A. A. A. S. meeting in Indianapolis over the



DANFORTH DEADLINE JAN. 21

Ben Procter, now working with the Danforth Scholarship program, reminds that Jan. 21 is the deadline for application this year. Male seniors interested in going on to the Ph. D. and in TEACHING are eligible. All staff members who have students who might qualify are urged to have them drop by Procter's office, Room 214, Ad Building, at once.

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NOTES ON FOLKS OF NOTE

GROVER GOOD, the grand young man of Development, played a prominent part in the recent grant of \$18,131 from the Welch Foundation of Houston. He's a friend of Welch Chairman W. T. Doherty. HENRY HARDT and JOE HODGKINS (who'll use the grant) also worked hard on the proposal. Congrats to all and especially Grover.

Belatedly, condolences of the entire campus go to KITTY WINGO on the death of her mother just before Christmas. It was a hard blow but as always, Kitty carries on.

PAUL WASSENICH, JOE MORGAN and RALPH GUENTHER have been added to the Select Series Committee for the next school year. In making the appointments, Vice-President Lindley praised Chairman MARGUERITE POTTER and her group this year for an outstanding job. And it certainly has been. For the first time the Series is on a "break even" basis. The Committee held a meeting last Saturday to talk over plans.

IKE HARRISON reports that through a misunderstanding, two ladies showed up over at Dan Rogers Hall Dec. 30 to attend the up-coming Investment Seminar for Women. Indicates much interest in the matter. Proper date, of course, is Jan. 30 and PAUL HASTINGS is in charge.

DAVE MATHENY of Speech-Theatre-Radio and our debate coach, is working hard on the first annual High School Forensics Tournament and One Act Play Clinic to be held on campus March 7-8. Invitations have gone out to 150 schools of our area.

MARY LESLIE FISHER was ill during the holidays, even going to a hospital. Hope she's much better now.

RUTH TOWNE, formerly of Undergrad Religion, was a visitor during Christmas week. Was her old smiling self.

Greetings to WOODALL HOGAN who retired last fall. The Emeritus Professor of Chemistry keeps up with things on campus and has been placed on the mail list for Ye Faculty Bulletin. Everybody sends a fond "hello."

J. W. SANDIFER in Education lost his father just before the holidays. The campus sympathizes deeply, J. W.

CLIFFORD MURPHY of Biology attended the A. A. A. S. meeting in Indianapolis over the holidays.



OFFICIAL ABSENCES

Gail Rogstad will be absent from classes January 12-15, representing TCU at a seminar on woman's pages at the University of Texas.

The following students were absent from classes Dec. 20, 1957 while attending an area Arnold Air Society conference at New Mexico A&M College:

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| Vernon, Jimmie | Sellin, John | Packer, James | LaBoon, R. W. |
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Paul O. Harvard, Army ROTC cadet, was absent from classes Jan. 6 due to a required physical examination at Carswell AFB.

In order to participate in a basketball game in Jacksonville, Texas, the following freshmen were absent on Monday, Dec. 16:

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| Cobb, Jerry        | Culbertson, Charles | Hill, Doug    | Isbell, Bob         |
| Knott, Pat         | Lane, Max           | Lister, Harry | Lewis, Don          |
| McMichael, Perry   | Pope, Jerry         | Ralston, Bill | Ives, Dan (Trainer) |
| Simmons, Billy Jim |                     |               |                     |

The following varsity players were absent from classes on Monday, Jan. 6 and Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1958, in order to participate in a basketball game:

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| Brunson, Kenneth | Davis, F. A.     | King, Kenneth     | Kirchner, H. E. |
| Meacham, Tommy   | Nippert, Darrell | Stevenson, Ronnie | Taylor, Billy   |
| Turner, Tommy    | Tyler, Bobby     | Williams, Don     | Davis, Roy      |
| Mabe, Mack       | Dodson, James    |                   |                 |
| Manager          | Trainer          |                   |                 |

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