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## SEMESTER ENDS--SPRING NOT FAR BEHIND

Final exams for the Fall semester will be underway when this issue of Ye Bulletin comes from the press. With the last test on Thursday, a half-year's work will be over and done--except for posting those grades. Remember our policy of putting up the lists as quickly and prominently as possible for the benefit of students. Many of them cannot plan their spring schedule until they see fall grades.

As always, this is a delicate time in the area of "public relations" with some students and their parents. Many will wonder about the grades they get and come around to confer. We know all faculty folks will show them every courtesy, all sympathy and complete fairness. That's all that's needed.

If Mr. Calvin Cumbie has guestmated correctly, we'll be registering some 5,900 students for spring semester on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Everyone should be thoroughly familiar with times and places for this important event. First classes: 8 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5.

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## SPRING LUNCHEON SERIES OPENS FEB. 10

Starting Tuesday, Feb. 10, the weekly faculty luncheons will be resumed in the spring series. The Faculty Center in Ad Building will again be the place and everybody's cordially invited to attend. (Mr. Logan Ware really gave us a semester-end treat last Tuesday when he served barbecued chicken and all the trimmings. Mighty tasty indeed.)

The spring series will continue for 16 straight Tuesdays--until May 26. Once more with the full co-operation of the administration, Brother Logan has been able to make a most attractive financial arrangement. Season tickets for the series will be only \$12--or about 75 cents a meal. That's a real bargain considering what you get. Season tickets may be paid for at the opening event on Feb. 10.

Of course, those not taking season tickets may also come at anytime. Individual luncheons are \$1 for faculty member or guest. And guests are always welcome. In addition to the Tuesday campus-wide events, lunch will continue to be served in Faculty Center on all weekdays, Monday through Friday. You just drop around, pick up the food desired and pay for same in the usual cafeteria way. It's easy--and a lot of fun. Hope more folks will plan to attend this spring.

QUALITY WORK--WHAT IS IT? (Continued)

The Bulletin is grateful to a number of faculty folks for comments on the question of "quality" as posed herein some time ago. 'Twould seem the matter has as many facets as people thinking about same. It is also pretty apparent there's no pat answer to the question. At the same time, the fact that many are concerned and interested may be helpful.

One correspondent refers us to Webster's definition of "educate." It reads: "To develop and cultivate mentally or morally; fit for a calling by systematic instruction; teach; also to train, discipline, or form." Which certainly covers the waterfront but leaves untouched the original matter of just what constitutes "quality" in educating. And by what yardsticks do you measure "quality."

We did get one cynical comment: "You have quality when all your graduates have a 3.5 average or above and all go on to the Ph. D. and Phi Beta Kappa. That's quality!" Could be but the idea has connotations that only "Brains" should be educated. Frankly we liked this one a little better: "Quality education is that which results in the greatest maturity and mental discipline of those who receive it--regardless of their mental endowment." That one can cause some argument but seems pretty good. Anyhoo, we're still interested in the subject--and in improving TCU's "quality" whatever it may be. Any other comments?

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1, 300 HIGH SENIORS TO VISIT FRIDAY

Some 1, 300 seniors from 31 high schools of our area will be on campus Friday for our sixth annual Citizenship and Career Conference. Looks like a very busy day indeed. They'll be coming from the following schools: Abbott, Aledo, Alvarado, Azle, Bowie, Boyd, Brewer of Ft. Worth, Bridgeport, Chico, Decatur, Eastland, Evant, Glen Rose, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Grandview, Itasca, Laneri of Ft. Worth, Krum, Lewisville, Maypearl, Midlothian, Millsap, Mineral Wells, Justin, Ponder, Sanger, Stephenville, Whitesboro, Whitney and Zephyr.

As usual questionnaires were sent to the seniors in advance asking about careers in which they are interested. There were some interesting results. Of the first 1, 000 answering, 140 named secretarial science as a first choice (almost all girls), 90 went for engineering, 76 for aviation and 55 for farming-ranching.

Just by way of info, here's the tally: Mechanic-machinist 49; business administration 45, athletic coach 43, beauty culture 42, elementary teacher 32, art 32, medicine 30, home economics 28, nursing 27, accounting 25, military service 23, chemistry-physics 20, radio-TV 20, high school teacher 18, religion 17, architecture 17, draftsman 16, interior decorator 15, geology 11, journalism-public relations 11, music 9, photography 8, government career 8, drama 7, lawyer 7, ballet 7, social service 6, mathematics 6, speech therapy 5. Others received less than 5 votes.

It should be pointed out, of course, that many of the young people change their minds rather quickly--some after arriving on campus for the Conference. But it is a rather interesting compilation.

NEWCOMERS TEA SET FOR FEB. 3

The Newcomers Group of the TCU Faculty Women's Club will hold a tea from 3 to 5 p. m. next Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the home of Mrs. Robert Hull, 3826 South Hills Circle. Color slides made by Dean and Mrs. Hull during a trip to Europe will be shown.

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ILLINOIS PSYCHOLOGIST TO VISIT

Dr. Raymond B. Cattell, research prof in psychology at the U. of Illinois, will be visiting on campus this week. He'll talk with Saul Sells on some research they are doing and is to speak to the grad students and faculty Thursday at 2 p. m. in Bldg. 1. Dr. Cattell is an international authority in the area of human personality and social psychology.

Incidentally, we'll be hosts next December to the annual meeting of the Texas Psychological Association. 'Twill be the first meeting in Fort Worth for the T. P. A. in 11 years. C. J. Firkins will be in charge of arrangements with Saul as program chairman. Both Cy LaGrone and Sells are past presidents of the State organization.

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ANY CORRECTIONS, ETC. FOR GENERAL CATALOG?

Preparation of our General Info catalog is now underway with publication due in March. If anyone has knowledge of obvious errors, obsolete data, etc. in last year's edition, please send a note on same to Info Division. Some corrections have already been gratefully received.

Incidentally, the new series of catalogs is coming from the presses now. The first was the Harris College of Nursing and others are on the way. Most of them have been moved up a bit for earlier distribution.

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DEVELOPMENTAL READING PROGRAM BACK

All counselors are reminded that our classes in Developmental Reading, suspended in the Fall due to the illness of Oscar Causey, are back on the schedule for Spring semester. Five classes are set and a sixth may be added if the demand develops.

If your counselees have indicated a reading difficulty, either by their lack of academic progress or by their score on the diagnostic reading test, you might want to "encourage" them into the course. The Testing Center will provide lists of the scores entering freshmen made last fall for reference during registration.

NOTES ON FOLKS OF NOTE

ELMER BROWN, our athletic trainer of the long medical terms, was a solid hit in the world of Fine Arts last week. Organist Ray Ferguson of Oberlin U. was here for a recital--after slipping on the ice in Oklahoma City and painfully injuring his arm. In the emergency, EMMET SMITH rushed the visitor down to the training room and sure enough, Elmer's magic worked as well on a musician as a left tackle. Two treatments left the visitor able to give his concert in good style. "Elmer was just great," said the marveling Emmet. "He really knows his business!"

ARTHUR COURTADE of Ranch Training spoke to the city's Junior Chamber of Commerce last week on "Changing Agriculture in a Changing World."

The coffee-break gang in Faculty Center was astounded recently when JIM FARRAR, the Director of Religious Education, marched in solemnly and began to remove his shoes. Before an appreciative audience, he proceeded to change his shoe strings. "Heavy thinking effects people differently," Jim explained. "In my case, it wears out my shoe strings." Can anyone tie that one?

Copies of RALPH GUENTHER'S new composition have just come from the printers. It's an anthem for choir of mixed voices, "O God, Uphold Me." The text is from the Sixteenth Psalm and the work designed to be sung a cappella. It is published by Belwin Inc., Rockville Centre, L.I., N.Y. and is Ralph's tenth vocal work to be published by them. He has another anthem in preparation by the same firm.

HARTWELL RAMSEY of Ex-Students reports a letter from Miss AFIFA S. JABIR, 1954 grad who, after reporting that the "Middle East is in a turmoil" sends the following to campus: "Best wishes to all TCU faculty, professors, classmates and students who still remember Afifa S. Jabir of Lebanon. I had a really wonderful year with you all and I am grateful for everyone who tried in her or his way to make it possible and happy for me. Every night I pray for TCU, staff, professors, president, deans and church." Afifa's address: Box 511, Beirut, Lebanon.

A. T. DeGROOT will be the protestant speaker during Easter Week at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio, March 22-5. A former student, Chaplain (Capt.) Edwin Porter made the arrangements.

ROBERT HULL is already making plans to exhibit some of his photographs in the up-coming faculty exhibition this Spring. The dean is a redhot "shutter-bug" and has more than 4,000 color slides he's made over the U.S. and Europe. Plans for the faculty exhibit will be announced soon.

Hospital Report: Mr. L. C. WHITE, our business manager, is back on the job after recent surgery. He's still chuckling over many an insulting card and letter. It was also good to hear that SAMUEL P. ZIEGLER, emeritus professor of art, was able to visit Fine Arts recently after that auto accident that's had him away from campus more than a year. We hear that SARAH McCOMB, music secretary, is also improving steadily after a recent operation.

ANNA BYRD WALLACE was the speaker recently at a banquet of the Bio-Chem-Phy, honorary science society at Poly high. She talked on the wide field of "College Admissions" but got in good licks for TCU--naturally. Good work.