

Ye Olde SKIFF

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Both Campus, and Domestick.

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'STAMPEDE'

Young Ladies to Act
Without Apologies
On Stage

Players and Setting
Will Compete

A NEW DRAMA OF THE WEST
STAR TO FALL

Native Puts Most Tragick Things
Before the Publick Openly

Miss Joyce Rogers, Dramatic Actress of considerable Renown, will take one Leaping Jump off Ye Olde "Stampede Bluff" at exactly Eight o'Clock this Night in the Little Theater.

This tragic Episode, Tantalum to Terror, ensues after the Dire Occurrences and Awful Events contained in the Premiere Production of a Native Drama by a Native Bard, the late ingenious Mr. John W. Young of nearby Dallas, called "Stampede Bluff."

To the Utter Dismay of Campus Society since—every Body knows it is not Meet for Young Gentlewomen to Perform on the Publick Stage—Two other Persons of the Female Sex will appear Openly and without Disguise: the Respectable Misses Sylvia Bokor and Martha Reppeto. Other Principal Characters will be Portrayed with Distinction and Applause by Messrs. Ronald Dieb, Robert Floyd, Lin Latimer, David Combs and R. W. "Bud" Westerman.

These able players hath doubtlessly Magnified the Strength of their Performances by Acquainting themselves with the Invaluable Advice of that Celebrated Dramatic Director, Dr. Walther R. Volbach, who hath of late come Thither from Foreign Soil to Move the Passions and Mend the Hearts of many an Audience.

It has been Observed that there will be a Struggle for Supremacy betwixt Cast and Setting, for Designer S. Walker James hath Executed an Elaborate Scene which faithfully Reflects all the Splendor and Natural Pageantry of the Great Outdoors.

Benches may be Reserved upon due Presentation of Student Season Ticket Cards between the Hours of 1 and 4 p.m. at the Little Theater Box Office.

In all Probability there will be a Glut of Requests for Opening Night Tickets. Since the Auditorium Proper will Facilitate only 250 Observers, Many may be forced to seek other Habitations for the Evening. Such Persons and Others wishing to see the Play are Advised not to Rent their Mantles. Tickets also are to be Had for Performances Tomorrow Night and Tuesday through March 21.

\$1750? EGAD!

Solicited Persons
Give to Fund

The final results of the 1953 Campus Chest Drive finally was communicated to This Informant by the Distinguished D. Melvin Shupp, San Antonio senior, who served as Treasurer of the Drive. The Grande Totale, as Shupp had managed to count by Wednesday, is approximately \$1750. Now that amount is not enough to Equal the \$2875 Goal set for the Annual Drive, but it is, as you can readily See, more than the total of

the 1952 Drive, which was \$1300, more or less.

Four speciale benefits for the Drive have announced their complete totales. Waits Hall ladies gave out of their own purses \$183.04 to winne the Campus "Y" donations Coppe. The 1953 Campus Chest Varies collected over \$100 in admission Prices for the Delightful entertainment.

Master Kenneth E. Jones, a senior from Dallas in the State of Texas, for the second time in three years, received the Honor of being named the very ugliest Man on this Campus. He won in a Monetarie Election which brought into the Chest more than \$150.

And lastly, the approximate summe of \$400 collected at the Championship Basketball Game goes in a lub to Gonzales Warm Springs Polio Foundation.

Money stil comes in even until this day.

OFFICIAL

Committee on Welfare
Selected for Campus

Names Reade
In Public
Meeting

Monday last in a Session of the Student Congress of this Campus assembled, the Hon. Representative Don Brewer reade the names of a liste of Persons selected to be Worthy Members of the Campus Welfare Committee.

At the time when this Paper must because of pressing Printers go to the Presses, Names of the Picked Persons could not be Printed, since not all of them had Consented to Serving in such Capacities.

You will surely remember that a Week ago Congress made the Decision to Sponsore the formation of suche a Committee which would Promote to better Spirits among Residents of the Campus living quarters and Make for General Improvements in matters Domestick.

The Deane of all Students here, the Dr. Thomas F. Richardson, Assures Congres that the Groupe it has Considered making will have every Opportunity to Serve Well the Universitee Committee by Studying reported, cases of Misconduct on the Premisses.

ESCAPED MAN

Cowardly Reporter Runs
And Will Be Punished

Whereas a Skiff reporter Disappeared or was Captivated some three or four Days in the immediate past, either on or near the Campus, and Wherefore his presence is unknown to interested Parties, any information as to His whereabouts will be duly rewarded by this Newspaper.

He was a fine specimen, although his spirit perhaps had been broken by a Subjection to too many Appearances in the Journalism laboratory on the fourth afternoon of each week.

Whether the honorable Administration mistook the innocent person for an editorial writer and Punished him accordingly is not known but it is suspected that he rebelled at the idea of conducting a Skiff poll and sought the comparative comforts of a coal mine.

Fifty lashes at the Post await the deserter whence he is apprehended unless he should prefer the alternate punishment of Rewriting his Stories of the week past.

O HAPPY DAY

Many Muscular Gents
To Exhibit Great
Prowess

Dirtiest Thing Ever
To Be Seen

FAIR LADIES TO HOOP

Assemblage of Pretty Girls
Will Participate In
Bold Adventure

Ye Intramural Open House, a Great Exhibition by Campus Athletes, will be Presented for the Many Scholars and Professors of the Great Texas Christian University this day, Friday March 13th.

A Communication from the Able and Distinguished Director of Intramurals, Mr. Thomas Prouse, Announced that the Gala Activities wil begin at Forty Five Minutes past the Hour of Six with an Exhibition of Hoop Ball between Our Own Fair Ladies of WSA and A Group of Outstanding Gentlemen of The Faculty.

At Seven Hours a Group of Accomplished Swimming Scholars will Contest for Honors in the Gymnasium Pool.

Also in the Gymnasium Will be an Exhibition of the Blades Under the Supervisorship of a Young Man from Terrell, Sammy Eppler. Immediately after the Young Ladies' Game, the Champions of the Tuesday and Wednesday Hoop Ball Leagues will play for Ye Campus Championship Title.

At the Hour of Nine, Activities will Commence in the Field House when the American Sokol Club of Our Neighboring City of Dallas offers a Performance on the Parallel Bars.

Upon the Conclusion of this Act and Withstanding Fatalities to the Principals, The Audience can Observe a Contest to Determine the Most Accomplished Couple Dancing the Charleston. Young Ladies and their Gentleman Partners are Misses Georgia Collins, with Newell Falkner, Mary Hood with Charles Webster and Caroline Eubank with Ellis Amburn.

After this an Assemblage of Pretty Women will Present Themselves to the Patrons and Honoured Judges with the Hope of Being Selected Queen of Intramural Open House. About fifteen Young Women have announced thier Intention to Engage in this Bold Adventure.

A Fisticuff Program will begin at about Thirty Minutes past the Hour of Nine. Principals who were named are Burch Coats and Charles Mathis, William Baird and Buck Sloan, Hal Lambert and James Mallow, Scott Sherman and Wesley Puckett, and Bernie Ferguson and Pat Whelan.

The Art of Wrestling will Feature Ken Burkhart and Kay Miller grappling with Larry Glass and Charles Ammons in a Tag-Your-Partner Match. Miller will return, IF ABLE, to Engage Charles Whitson in an Individual Contest to Settle a Personal Grudge.

There is a Possibility that a Mud Tank Wrestling Event will occur. The Villains, Killer Kenny and Wild Man Zetz, have indicated their Desire to Battle the Gentlemen, Hippo Ward and Elephant Parkey. Honest Bill Bogle has Willingly Consented to Referee.

Bogle was Heard to Comment, "It is Our Earnest Belief that this Will Be the Dirtiest Thing Ever Seen at an Open House."

Welcomed Announcement TO THE PUBLICK

The MacIntosh General Mchdse. Co. has Pleasure indeed in introducing to the Citizens of this fair community, a New product which is sweeping the Coast with its overwhelming popularity. "Uncle Ewap's Swamp Root Tonic" is highly Recommended for anyone who suffers. This wonderful tonic is Uncle Ewap's own special Secret formula and is guaranteed to ease all pains, Inside or out. It is also excellent for expectant mothers, housemaid's knee, polishing silverwear, restoring hair, loosening rusty nuts and screws, removing paint from covered wagons and relieving the seven year itch.

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ANNUAL EVENT

Hon. Correspondent
To Converse Today
At 11 a. m. Hour

JOURNALISM DAY

Honorable Skiff Awarde Winner
To Be Proclaimed.

Classes Dismissed for
Glorious Event

What will be the effect of the untimely demise of Comrade Josef Stalin upon the remainder of the World?

Master John Scott, who did reside inside USSR for Nine Yeares, will present his Views on the subject at 11 hours of the Morning on this Day in Ed Landreth Auditorium. All Classes will be dismissed and Students are most Graciously invited to lay aside their Scholastic Burdens and join with their Fellows as we share Thoughts of this noted Correspondent for Time and Life Magazines. He will speake on the Subject: "Europe; The Rebirthe of ye Continent".

Wherewith, identity of the Winner of Ye Skiff Awarde has been kept Mysteriously secret to these manye weekes, it has been communicated to this Correspondent that such Knowledge will be imparted at that Time. The person who has, in the opinion of Ye Skiff staffe, done the most to be of Benefit to the student body will receive this coveted Awarde.

At a Luncheon sponsored by Ye J. Willard Ridings Presse Clubbe immediately upon the Conclusion of this Convocation, Mr. Scott has kindly consented to answer the Interrogations of Students regarding some practical aspects of moderne Journalism. The meeting will be held in the Banquet Hall of the Inn which some calleth Ye Colonial Cafeteria and which, when packed to its Enormous Capacity, will hold 80 Persons with the latest in Moderne Comforts. Students will pay for their own Lunches.

To all friends of the Journalism Department, take notice: Beginning at approximately Two Hours past Noon, the Journalism Building (Bldg. 5), which houses the offices for Ye Skiff and Ye Horned Frogge, will holde Open House. All interested Personae are Cordially Invited to Attende.

TOWNE MEETING

Dignitaries to Speak
On Relations
Of Humans

On Dayes of March 20, 21
In Ed Landreth Auditorium

Be it knowne to all Readers of this Illustrious Newspaper that the Institute on Human Relations will be held in the auditorium of Ed Landreth during the days of Friday and Saturday next.

The Good and Noble Dr. Willis Tate who is the vice-president of our Loyal and True Neighbour school, SMU, and Dr. A. O. Sartini, who is the chairman of management of the personnel of the same Good School will manage the Institute.

This Fine Enterprise is being sponsored by that organization of world repute, both here and foreign, the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Hogg Foundation.

The Good Noel Keith who serves in the capacity of special Assistant to our Noble President said Students who wish to attend these seminars of great and Practical Worth will be excused from their Classes.

MCCORKLE'S OPERA HOUSE Presents HOW GREENE WAS MY VALET

A MELODRAMA OF LIFE IN THE BOUDOIR by T. Tennyson Williams in Which a Master asks his Servant to put a Crease in his Pants — the Servant thought he said Greene. Says Walrus Winchell: "A very Slicke Show!" Opening This Night at Eight Hours in Edward Landreth Auditorium.

Ye Olde Skiff . . .

. . . took on this appearance today to commemorate Journalism Day. The style here is based on that of newspapers of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries when small headlines, body type and front page ads for patent medicine and runaway reporters — er, we mean slaves—were all the rage.

Ain't progress wonderful?

Posse to Take Oath On Television Show

Sheriff Harlan Wright of Tarrant County will swear in 30 TCU deputies Thursday. They comprise

RANCH WEEK PROGRAM

Thursday
 8 a.m.—Swearing in of deputies on WBAP-TV.
 8-12 a.m.—Jail activities.
 7:30 p.m.—Program in the Field House.
 8 p.m.—"Stampede Bluff" in the Little Theater.

Friday
 8-12 p.m.—Jail activities.
 1:30 p.m.—Girls vs. Faculty softball game on Quadrangle.
 6 p.m.—Wiener roast on Quadrangle, 50 cents.
 7 p.m.—Carnival.
 8 p.m.—"Stampede Bluff."

Saturday
 8:30-11 a.m.—Judge Roy Benn's Court and contests on the Quadrangle.
 12 m.—Chuck wagon barbecue.
 2 p.m.—Rodeo, Lone Star Arena, \$1.
 8 p.m.—Barn dance, Field House, \$1.

the posse for this year's Ranch Week celebration.

The swearing in will take place on Bobby Peters' television pro-

12 Journalists Plan To Attend News Congress

Twelve journalism students will attend the Southwestern Journalism Congress on the University of Houston campus next Friday and Saturday.

Major aspects of news and magazine work will be discussed by delegates from 14 schools.

Dr. Earl English, dean of the school of journalism at University of Missouri, will head the list of speakers.

Prof. Warren K. Agee, chairman of the journalism department, and Mrs. Agee will accompany the group.

Women to Hear Talks

Lt. Col. John W. Murray, professor of military science and tactics, and Lt. Col. Luther O'Hern, professor of air science and tactics, will talk to senior women at 6 p.m. Monday in the Mexican Lounge. They will discuss opportunities for women in military services.

gram at 8 a.m. on station WBAP-TV.

The Ranch Week foreman and queen will appear on the program dressed in western outfits. They will also appear at a program in the Field House that night.

The program will be a musical review with several short skits. A modeling school will present fashions for town and country.

Crenshaw Is Named Alpha Chi President

Dr. Troy Crenshaw, English department chairman, has been named president of Alpha Chi, scholastic honorary society of the South.

The appointment came at the annual convention of the organization at Southwestern University in Georgetown recently. Ralph Frankenberg, Fort Worth senior, was the TCU delegate.

Recreation Room Will Open Soon Congress May Suspend Its Student Loan Fund

A recreation room for all campus men will be opened in the basement of Tom Brown Hall by Tuesday if plans continue as scheduled.

C. J. Firkins, dean of men, and campus "Y" are planning the project.

New shuffle board and pingpong equipment is being secured and complete redecoration of the basement is being planned, according to Don Morgan, Texarkana junior.

Dean Firkins emphasized the room will be an all-campus recreation hall, not exclusively for Tom Brown residents.

Science Group to Study Formations at Dam Sites

The paleontology class will study exposed formations and collect fossils at the Whitney and Belton Dam sites Monday.

Arthur M. Hull, a geologist in the Army Engineers Corps, and Dr. Leo Hendricks, associate professor of geology, will accompany the group.

Student Congress will withdraw the Student Loan Fund if the Administration will not provide some sort of axe to hold over the heads of students who are in debt to the fund, congressmen voted Monday.

The loan fund, created by congress three years ago, could be suspended. Although it is administered at present through the office of the dean of men, it is still a congressional fund.

The threat to do away with the fund, which makes small loans to students over short terms, was made after a report by Don Brewer, chairman of a special committee on delinquent loans, startled the legislators.

Delinquent loans amount to more than \$1300 now, Brewer said.

Net worth of the fund in February was about \$2300.

Brewer reported that approximately \$895—most of which is owed by persons still on the campus—could still be collected.

Brewer's committee will discuss the situation with President M. E. Sadler.

It will recommend that the University refuse degrees or transcripts to students who owe the fund.


Warner Inspects Cadets At University of Texas

Capt. Virgil L. Warner, professor of military science and tactics, is in Austin today as an ROTC inspecting officer.

Warner left Tuesday with the army inspection team which visited here and will inspect cadet units at the University of Texas.

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Story Heard by Playwright Young in Boyhood Prompted His Writing of 'Stampede Bluff'

John W. Young, Dallas playwright, offers his apologies to those who find coherence in "Stampede Bluff."

"I did not mean to put it there, for life is not that way," says the young dramatist-minister, who will join Little Theater first-nighters at 8 p.m. today for the premiere production of his new West Texas play.



YOUNG

Telling how he came to write "Stampede Bluff," Young said when he was a boy he was told the story of a herd of cattle being frightened in a storm and ran over a bluff.

Whether or not the story was factual, it became very real to Young.

"It bothered me that no one was ever able to turn those frenzied cattle back from the bluff. That story lingered in my

mind until I began to see that we mortals are like the cattle — the blind leading the blind — and we trample everything beautiful in our path to our self destruction," he continued.

"A few have the courage to turn back, but the most are afraid to turn back lest they be trampled." At present he is pastor of the Saner Avenue Church of Christ in Dallas. During spare time he works on "The Subversive," a play about the trial of Christ.

"Stampede Bluff" is the second of his plays to be produced. His "Coronado's Children" was given at Carnegie Institute of Technology when he was enrolled there in 1946.

Two Debate Teams in Nacogdoches

Two teams from TCU are in Nacogdoches today and tomorrow participating in the fifth annual Piney Woods Intercollegiate Debate Tournament at Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College.

The teams are composed of Harry Lee, Fort Worth junior, and Neil Lindley, Wilson, N. C., senior; and Paige Mulhollan, Fort Smith, Ark., freshman, and Ted Jackson, Fort Worth junior.

The squad will be host to debaters from the Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., March 23.

Sowell in Indianapolis

Dean Ellis M. Sowell of the School of Business is in Indianapolis, Ind., attending a meeting of trustees of the Disciples Pension Fund. He is a member of the board and a financial committee member.

Journalism Exhibit Second in Series

Now being shown in the Library is a Journalism Day exhibit of foreign newspapers and old Skiffs. The display was arranged by Press Club members David Allred, Corpus Christi, and Horace Craig, Fort Worth, both sophomores.

A Religious Emphasis Week exhibit in the Library was the first of a number of displays now being planned.

Operating on the theory that the Library is one place to which students from every college, school and department of the University eventually go, the Library is inviting representative showings from campus organizations and individuals to stimulate interest in reading.

The religious display was a joint project of the Library and the religion and art departments.

Four art students under the direction of John W. Erickson, assistant professor of art, executed the art work. One of the group, Miss Margie Jo Hatcher, was assigned the project of designing a display plan to fit specifically the needs of the Library.

Other art students who worked on the religion exhibit were Jimmie Phipps, Amarillo junior, Alex Cothran, Lincoln, Neb., junior, and Leon Wilson, Fort Worth junior.

Texas Colleges Group To Meet Here Today

The standards and classifications committee of the Association of Texas Colleges is meeting here today to consider applications for membership.

Dr. Otto R. Nielsen, dean of the School of Education, is representing TCU.

RETURN ENGAGEMENT

DICK JOHNSON

Likeable Young Maestro and His Versatile Orchestra

in

The Keystone Room

of The

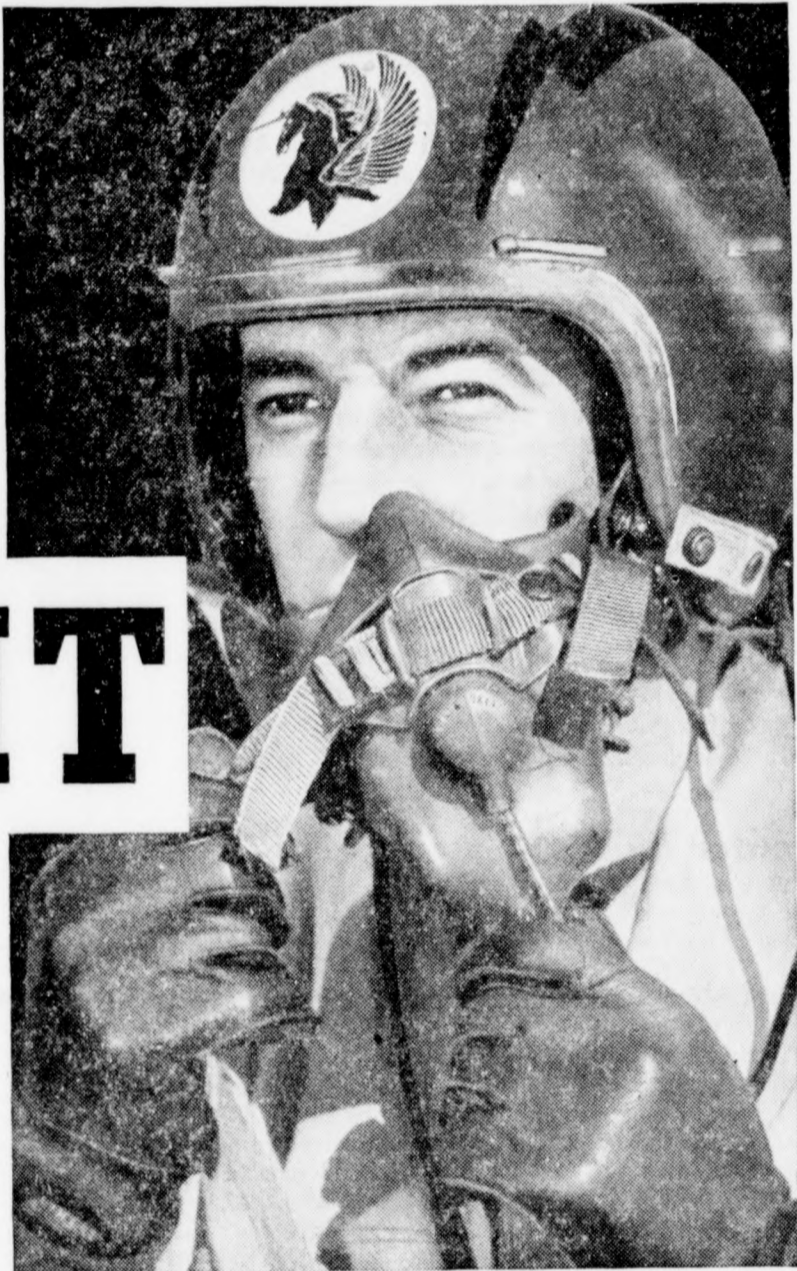
HOTEL TEXAS

Floor Show Nightly at 10

Except Monday

TCU STUDENTS WELCOME

It's the size of the FIGHT in the man!



That's right! In the U. S. Air Force, it's not the size of the man in the fight—it's the size of the FIGHT IN THE MAN! And Aviation Cadets *must* have plenty of it. For Cadet training is rugged. If you're good enough . . . tough enough . . . smart enough . . . if you can take it while you're learning to dish it out, you can have one of the most fascinating careers in the world. You'll be equipped to fly the latest, hottest planes. You'll be prepared to take your position as an executive, both in military and commercial aviation as well as in industry. And while you're helping yourself you'll be helping your country.

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3. Next, you take a written and manual aptitude test.
4. If you pass your physical and other tests, you will be scheduled for an Aviation Cadet training class. The Selective Service Act allows you a four-month deferment while waiting class assignment.

WHERE TO GET MORE DETAILS:

Visit your nearest Air Force Base, Air Force Recruiting Officer, or your nearest Air Force ROTC unit. Or write to: Aviation Cadet, Headquarters, U. S. Air Force, Washington 25, D. C.



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Shine those boots and dust that Stetson, Ranch Week is moseying around the corner.

Cowhands On Trial

week a success.

Each student can and should attend the carnival, barbecue, contests and rodeo whether or not he participates in the events.

A caution to new-comers—don't get caught in store-bought clothes if you wish to stay out of the calaboose. We've got a sheriff this year that would probably be glad to have a jail full of dudes.

Ranch Week is a tradition at TCU, and we hope it continues to grow bigger and better each year. But word has been handed down from the bosses in the big corral that Ranch Week is on trial this year.

Now we hired hands don't want to be charged with contempt of court and branded as renegades because a few cowpokes don't know how to act.

Sure, it's our big chance to have a good time but not to the point of injuring or causing trouble to some innocent person.

So when you bundle up your cares in your city-slicker clothes, throw them away so they will not hurt someone, and then make with the whoopppeee.

Any cowboy knows the contest rules—if he breaks the barrier he is disqualified—let's not break the barrier this time.

Greater by \$400

We can doff it, we can tip it—anyway our hat is off to the united "Campus Chesters."

For organizing and conducting the Campus Chest drive—the 70 workers led by Eloise Mayo and Jimmy Suggs rate a "job well done" salute. This year's chest drive was another that is a credit to TCU.

To the many students who gave to the fund—your contribution, large or small helped to make the final total of \$1700. This total exceeded last year's sum by \$400. Whether it was your attendance at the variety show or your donation money amounting to "food for a day," it all counted and counted to put the campaign ahead of previous years.

The faculty receives a note of recognition for both the leadership and participation it put into this campus function. In the planning of this fund raising drive, we want to point out the help of Dr. Paul Dinkins and Col. John Murray. To the other faculty members, your giving was appreciated.

Singling out contributors, leaders or faculty members and saying you did a fine and splendid job is well, but to the united group, we of The Skiff join leaders in saying, "Thank you."

Switch Saturday Classes?

Can TCU switch to a "no Saturday class" schedule?

Regardless of the pros and cons on either school of thought in answering the above question, investigation shows that TCU is definitely running a schedule weighted in favor of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday classes.

Classes meeting on MWF total 237 with 187 classes registered as meeting on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. On closer examination, one finds that approximately one half of those classes listed as TTS sessions actually meet only on Tuesday and Thursday for an hour and a half. This leaves only about 100 classes which really meet on Saturday.

The ratio of classes meeting on MWF and TTh as compared with those scheduled on TTS is roughly 3 to 1. A switch of 25 per cent of the class load could virtually eliminate Saturday classes.

Part of the school has already adopted the "no classes on Saturday" schedule. In fact Brite College closes at noon on Friday and reopens the following Tuesday morning. This arrangement was worked out in consideration of the many students who have pastorates of their own. This abolition of weekend classes allows the ministerial students ample travel time.

Though Brite College operates on the quarter system, the absence of Saturday classes has long been a generally accepted practice for seminaries all over the nation.

According to the facts, TCU weights her class loads in favor of MWF classes, and one part of the school follows the modern trend of no Saturday classes all the way. A shift of one fourth of the classes will allow her to completely become a "no Saturday" school.

Masked Marvels, Itching Powder . . .

Intramural Open House Clowning, Hilarity Recalled by Prof. Prouse

By PROF. TOM PROUSE
Intramural Open House was started in 1935. It was planned with the idea that the non-athletes might have an opportunity to take part in various athletic activities. The first open house had approximately 110 participants and about 20 spectators. The girls played the football boys in a basketball game and won, which may have been due to the fact that the football team wore boxing gloves.

Swimming, all campus basketball championship, fencing and other novelty events were scheduled. Since dancing was first allowed in 1934 on the campus, the first open house was climaxed with a dance.

The next year boxing was added to the program — a

boxing ring was borrowed from the Y. M. C. A., and bleachers set up as ring side seats in the little gym were packed. Even though the ring fell down the matches were good, the students enjoyed it thoroughly and open house was here to stay. Incidentally, Sam Baugh was the first official referee in the small gym.

The swimming program through the years has caused a good deal of excitement. One of the non-athletes was given permission to clown as a life saver, and some spectator shoved him in. After going down twice it was decided he was a clown but couldn't swim.

Electrified sabres caused excitement when contestants' hands

became wet, and the current almost knocked them down. A horse shoe exhibition was held on the small gym floor in which Prof. Sherer demonstrated that he still could hold his own.

Open House outgrew the little gym as the program expanded; it was decided that both gyms should be used and other exhibitions were added. TCU purchased its own boxing ring; wrestling, badminton, square dancing, tight wire acts and even a marionette show has been added, not to mention the Open House Queen.

Boxing seems to be rapidly dying out although wrestling is being brought back. In one of the most hilarious exhibitions in which a masked marvel was used, an outsider broke up the show by throwing a pail of cold water on the contestants. He was caught a block away.

One of TCU's football players known for having a bad knee moved out after prearranged words with his roommate. A wrestling match was scheduled at open house, a knee brace was placed on his good knee. His former roommate worked on the good knee, and it was almost necessary to tell some students it was a frame up; they were going to mob him. Other pranks such as itching powder being found in wrestlers trunks have created hilarious situations. Many other funny events have made Open House a night for both the athlete and the non-athlete.

Considerable work and difficulties go into planning Open House. Swimmers must work out and see to it that they are entered and have not entered someone else's name. The pool in the winter months is cold and only on certain days can be used on work outs. Members of other spring sports find difficulty keeping schedules.

Training in boxing and wrestling is delayed. Due to the big gym's being in use for our fine conference championship basketball squad, our ring cannot be set up. These are a few of the difficulties that limit our program; however, it goes on with the little voluntary help we have, and we still believe we have a good intramural program and suggestions are always welcome.



John Scott Speaks to Students In Honor of Journalism Day

By NELDA COOK
Today is Journalism Day. All classes will be dismissed for John Scott's lecture in Ed Landreth Auditorium, enabling students and teachers to hear the Time and Life correspondent discuss "Europe: The Rebirth of a Continent."

In previous years, few students and teachers outside the realm of the "fourth estate" attended.

"Journalism Day" to them was just a day of discussion for newspaper men and women—but not an aspect of the entire program concerned them!

How wrong can a person be? Journalism and the newspaper field concern most vitally the businessman, the housewife, the college student, the man-in-the-street.

Consider a month without journalism in Fort Worth!

Neither radio nor newspapers could warn us of possible invasions or air attacks if all-out war were declared; groceries might ruin on the shelves since the merchant would have no widely distributed medium of advertising; criminals, rabid dogs, tornadoes and other menaces to society might be near us, but no beforehand warning could be given that might prevent possible deaths.

Bringing the situation closer to TCU, a student only needs to consider a campus without a newspaper. Suppose a Skiff did not exist!

Taking last week's edition as an example, one can see certain inconveniences that would occur if the paper had not been issued.

1) CC might have come, passed us, and kept on going, and no one would have known the Campus Chest drive started this week, unless student officials had vocally announced all campaign purposes or supplied written posters.

2) John Scott, the Journalism Day speaker, could also speak to a "handful audience" because only a few students knew he was coming.

3) Campus women might have continued waiting there were "three women to every man" on the campus, if The Skiff had not stated otherwise.

4) Candidates for Ranch Week Queen and Foreman would remain anonymous unless each candidate and his friends continuously announced said fact.

The list could continue on and on, leaving the student with two alternatives! Without a Skiff, they must vocalize the news and face the possibility of strained backs or cramped fingers!

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The TCU campus made me feel good again this year—better even than I did last year.

Seems to me that I made a whole gob of new friends this year.

Now I'd just like to say "thank you" to all of them . . .

To Student Congress and the Evening College Council for their support, to The Skiff for its complete coverage, to the cast of the Campus Chest Show, to my faculty sponsors, to APO and the ugly mne, to clubs and individuals who gave me a boost and to every person who dug deep to help help my projects.

See ya around the campus—next year.

CAMPUS CHEST

To The Editor,

There is a continually worsening problem at TCU. The TCU band has lessened in prestige from a nationally recognized organization to a provincial group receiving little attention at all.

This condition, I feel, is due to the Administration's neglect of the band and the consequent lack of student participation.

At present the band scholarships are inadequate to appeal to

new members. The monetary assistance averages 32 cents per hour and covers only the time for rehearsals. No consideration is given to the hours spent in public or in practice.

Also, the band has not been scheduled for enough public appearances. While the band is used frequently during the football season, it has been permitted only three concerts. Certainly, the band's prestige as well as the members' pride, could be enhanced by wider public contact.

Another sore spot is the condition of the band's uniforms. The suits are held together by an assortment of safety-pins, string, and scotch tape and the hats are indescribable. The fault lies not with the care accorded them but with the excessive service they have seen.

Actually, the University would profit from an improved band. TCU would receive beneficial publicity; it could be proud of such a band and more students would be inclined to participate; and such a band would attract students to the excellent School of Fine Arts.

One of the many who want a change.

CHARLES E. MATHIS

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Writer Picks Shirley Booth, Gary Cooper For Academy Award Recognition March 19

By ELLIS AMBURN

Avid motion picture followers will take time out Thursday from Ranch Week, TISA and Southwestern Journalism Congress activities to watch the most important movie event of the year, the 25th annual Academy Award presentations, which will be televised direct from Hollywood's RKO Pantages Theater.

The yearly programs, featuring much pomp and circumstance, have been broadcast for many years, but this will be the first time in the history of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the event to be televised. RCA-Victor, a TV set maker, paid \$100,000 to sponsor the affair.

We are going out on the limb, an old Skiff tradition, to predict the winners of this year's "Oscars."

Best Actress — Shirley Booth ("Come Back, Little Sheba") can't miss, but our personal choice is Jennifer Jones for her excellent work in "Carrie," an adaptation from the Dreiser novel "Sister Carrie."

Best Actor — Gary Cooper is a cinch because of his work in "High Noon," and we'll go along with the Academy if he's chosen, although it is an oversight that Sir Laurence Olivier was not nominated for "Carrie." Alec Guinness' performances on "The Lavender Hill Mob" and "The Man in the White Suit" were in every way equal to Cooper's work, but we doubt he would be a winner in this division since the gold statuettes are rarely awarded to foreigners.

Best Picture—Stanley Kramer's superb cinematic composition, "High Noon." But since Cecil B. DeMille isn't getting any younger, Academy members could get sentimental, and give the grand old gentleman the nod for that messy splash of technicolor, "The Greatest Show on Earth." "Ivanhoe" and "The Quiet Man" provide little real competition for Kramer, but upsets are not unusual. Only last year the Academy went completely insane and lauded the shallow "An American in Paris," ignoring two superb productions: Eliza Kazan's "A Streetcar Named Desire" and George Stevens' amazing version of Dreiser's "An American Tragedy," "A Place in the Sun."

Best Supporting Actor — Your guess is as good as ours. It could just as easily go to Richard Burton for "My Cousin Rachel" as to Jack Palance for "Sudden Fear." Other potential winners: Arthur Hunnicutt ("The Big Sky"), Victor McLaglen ("The Quiet Man"), and Anthony Quinn ("Viva Zapata!").

Best Supporting Actress — The crop here is rather disappointing. In 1952 there simply were no great performances in this division, and that is strange since in the past the best acting usually

has come from actresses in the supporting ranks, such as Anne Baxter in "All About Eve," Mary Anderson in "To Each His Own," or "Judith Anderson in "Rebecca." If we absolutely had to pick a winner from among the millrun nominees, we'd name Gloria Grahame, who gave the only really believable performance in "The Bad and the Beautiful."

Best Direction — Without a doubt, Fred Zinnemann deserves the award for the electrifying suspense he injected into "High Noon." Zinnemann is remembered for the directorial tour de force he accomplished several years ago in "The Search."

Best Song — You guessed it! Dimitri Tiomkin's "High Noon" ballad. Tiomkin composes the scores for all Kramer productions, and they're always unique. We recall, the magnificent music he provided for Selznick's "Duel in the Sun" in 1946. "Because You're Mine," from the Lanza picture of

that title, and "Thumbelina" from Goldwyn's "Hans Christian Andersen," may give Tiomkin stiff competition.

Irving Thalberg Award for Meritorious Achievement — This one, bearing the namesake of the late Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production genius, is not necessarily given every year—only when some producer, like David O. Selznick, Darryl F. Zanuck or Samuel Goldwyn, has made a sizeable contribution to the industry by maintaining a high standard of production over a period of years.

The Academy this year could well afford to cite Stanley Kramer as a producer of films that have consistently maintained high quality. Kramer made his first independent picture, "The Champion," several years ago, and followed it up with such high-caliber films as "Home of the Brave," "The Men" and "Death of a Salesman." His most productive year was the one just past; he turned out in 1952 "The Happy Time,"

Keith Is Named Students to Visit Joint Chairman Chemical Plants

Noel Keith, assistant to President Sadler, was named joint chairman with Amos Melton of the lectures and concerts committee March 4.

Approximately 25 chemistry students and Dr. E. R. Alexander, associate professor of chemistry, will visit chemical plants in the Texas coastal region next week.

It was decided that at the TISA convention in Houston, March 19-21 Carl Graner would represent TCU in the selection of speakers for Southwest Conference schools.

The group will leave Wednesday afternoon and spend Thursday in Freeport going through the Dow Chemical Plants. After observing methods of obtaining magnesium from seawater, the students will be luncheon guests of the Freeport Company.

It was pointed out that a speaker could be obtained at less cost per school if all schools shared the expenses for good speakers.

Friday they will go to Texas City to visit Rohm and Haus, a chemical company producing sulfuric acid and other inorganic compounds, and Mathieson Chemical Corporation, which produces soda ash, bicarbonate of soda, sodium hydroxide and chlorine.

"Eight Iron Men," "The Four Poster," "The Member of the Wedding" and "High Noon." We can call to mind no producer who could match that record in one year's time.

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Frog-A&M Tilt Will Be Aired

The champions of the Southwest Conference, the TCU Frogs, are in Manhattan, Kan., for a clash in the NCAA regional tournament with the Oklahoma Aggies, Missouri Valley champs, at 7:30 p.m. today.

Radio station KCUL, 1540 on the dial, will broadcast the game at 7:15 p.m.

The TCU-Oklahoma A&M game will precede a clash between Kansas of the Big Seven and independent Oklahoma City. Winners of tonight's games will meet tomorrow for the regional title.

The Aggies have chalked up seven titles in the last 10 years and this team amassed an 8-2 conference record.

The Frogs displayed fine form Tuesday night in downing the Akron, Ohio, Goodyear squad, 75-49.

WSA Tournament Begins March 16

Women's Sports Association's spring tournament will begin March 16, Miss Bettye Padon, assistant instructor in physical education, has announced.

Miss Padon also said girls who still wish to sign up for archery, badminton, golf, swimming, table tennis and tennis singles may still register in her office.

Miss Padon has announced that a manager is needed for archery competition in the tournament.

Martin, Harville Sign

All-conference end Wayne Martin and John Harville, right half-back, signed professional football contracts recently.

Martin will report to the Chicago Bears and Harville will play with the Green Bay Packers.

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in a practice game in the Field House.

Christian eager Ray Warren meshed 21 points to top team-mate Henry Ohlen's 10. Twelve TCU roundballers saw action in this exhibition game.

New Officers Installed In Nurses Club Meeting

Miss Joeline Witt, Fort Worth senior, was installed recently as president of the Nurses Club. Other officers are: vice-president, Miss Cecile Stephenson, Rockwall sophomore; secretary - treasurer, Miss Shirley Miller, Vernon sophomore; and council representative and reporter, Miss Kay Moeckley, Amherst, S. D., freshman.

Activity Cards Precious Until After Track Meet

Hang on to that activity card because there is still a need for it. That's the word from Amos Melton, director of information services.

Cards will be required for entry to baseball games and to the Southwest Conference track meet here this spring, he said.

Operation Planned For Glen Harrington

Glen Harrington, Fort Worth freshman, injured in baseball work-out March 2 is still in serious condition.

He has been unable to walk or talk since placed in Harris Hospital.

Doctors are planning an operation to learn more about the location of a brain injury, revealed by tests this week.

Tracksters on Way to Laredo To Compete in Border Olympics

Twelve TCU track hopefuls are on a journey to Laredo today with Coach Mack "Boss" Clark to compete in the Border Olympics. They left at noon yesterday.

The meet is scheduled for today and tomorrow, but today's activities concern only high school teams. College and university events begin at 8 a.m. tomorrow.

This group is a far cry, at least in number, from last year's "team." TCU had one representative in the Border Olympics in 1952—Wes Ritehey.

Ritehey is making the trip again this year, along with Ronald Clinkscale, Robert Gathright and James Wood. Bill Curtis and Dick Wil-

liams, both freshmen, are competing also.

Remainder of the squad was chosen from Mal Fowler, David Finney, Jim Breeding, Claude Roach, Jim Roddey and Charles Duncan, all varsity members. Aubrey Owen and Hugh Cox, freshman aspirants, vied for positions also.

Foster, Waits Tie 16-16

Foster and Waits teams tied this week 16 to 16 in the first game of a double round-robin basketball tournament sponsored by the Women's Sports Association.

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Frogs Visit Bears Today; Will Play Here Tomorrow

The Frog baseball team is in Waco to take on the Baylor Bears in a non-conference tussle at 2:30 p.m. today.

Tomorrow the same two teams will meet here at 2:30 in a return match.

Coach Walter Roach has not announced today's pitcher, Les Matinson probably will get the bid for tomorrow's mound chores.

Last week the Frogs bowed twice to the SMU Mustangs by scores of 4-3, and 10-7.

Despite the scores, the picture was remarkably bright. The hitters hit well; the fielders fielded well; and the pitchers, well, they pitched.

Matinson and Tommy Hill showed promise, but didn't have the staying power essential to win ball games.

At this stage it appears that these two will have to carry the brunt of TCU's pitching attack. Matinson, an outfielder by trade, is developing rapidly as a moundsman.

Senior shortstop Don Carrol slammed out two triples in the games with the Ponies last week. He seems to be taking up right where he left off last

Frog Net Team To Meet SMU

The Frog varsity net team will meet the SMU Mustangs here this afternoon in TCU's second practice match.

The team won its first match here Tuesday by trouncing Texas Tech, 5-1.

Only Frog defeat was suffered by Ken Martin, in the No. 1 battle. He lost to David Clark, 6-4, 6-2. Bernie Ferguson beat Richard Clark in the No. 2 match, 6-0, 6-3.

Bob Cornell won over Jim Burgess in the No. 3 tussle, 6-4, 6-0. Don Hardin beat Wendell Jones, 6-1, 6-0, in the No. 4 contest.

TCU met harder going in the doubles, but Martin and Ferguson came from behind to edge Clark and Clark in the No. 1 match, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2. Cornell and Hardin topped Burgess and Jones, 6-2, 7-9, 6-4.

Graduate Students Take Exam; Another in July

Forty-one graduate students recently took a graduate record examination, Dr. A. T. DeGroot, dean of the Graduate School, announced.

Designed to determine the quality of previous college work, the examination indicates a student's ability to do graduate work.

El Paso Match Draws Rifle Team

Seven members of the combined Air Force and Transportation Corps ROTC rifle team are participating at West Texas State College in El Paso today in the fourth annual Southwestern Intercollegiate Rifle Match.

Approximately 25 teams from over the Southwest will participate in the meet, which ends tomorrow.

AF members are juniors Paul J. Anderson, and Dewey E. Cozart; freshman Cliff A. McCluney, and William P. Glenn, all of Fort Worth.

Transportation members are freshmen E. Crawford, Fort Worth, and Gail R. Hendricks, Tornillo, and Robert V. Bradford, Fort Worth junior.

Golfers to Play Hardin-Simmons

Frog golfers have almost two weeks to prepare for their next meet, with the Wildcats of Hardin-Simmons March 24 at Colonial Country Club.

The TCU team finished fifth in the Southwestern Recreation Meet here last week. No. 1 man Graham Mackey had the low individual round for the Frogs with a 73.

Joe Conrad, North Texas State College, won medalist honors with a two-under par 70.

Oklahoma A&M won first place, North Texas second and Trinity University third.

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Dr. Otto R. Nielsen, dean of the School of Education, Lt. Col. John W. Murray, professor of military science and tactics and Charles Gordon, San Juan freshman, com-

Dr. Nunn Receives Grant For Project on Indians

Dr. William C. Nunn, associate professor of history, received a grant this week from the faculty research committee of TCU to work on a project entitled "Political History of the Plains Indian."

Dr. Nunn will study jointly at TCU and the Library of Congress in Washington, D. C. this summer.

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Three Attending Music Convention

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Emmet Smith, instructor in organ and administrative assistant to Dean T. Smith McCorkle, will speak on "Methods and Repertory Used in Teaching the Beginning and Intermediate Organ Student."

Dr. Ralph R. Guenther, associate professor of flute and theory, will be presented in a flute recital.

Dean McCorkle, president of the Texas Music Teachers' Association, will speak to the association's state and local presidents.

Cadets Awaiting Formal Report

More than 500 cadets are awaiting results of the second annual federal inspection of ROTC units here Monday and Tuesday.

Inspection teams from both the Army Transportation Corps and the Air Force were here to see how administrative, classroom and drill field work has progressed.

A parade Tuesday afternoon highlighted the inspection.

Col. Hugh H. Bledsoe of the Air Force and Lt. Col. Floyd G. Higgins of the Army were acting inspecting generals.

Geography Students Will Go to Decatur

Students in Geography 332, "Conservation of Natural Resources," recently made a field trip to Decatur to study conservation practices.

Dr. Martine Emert, assistant professor of history and geography, said the area around Decatur is the worst eroded area in Texas.

Everett Clark, soil conservationist in Decatur, and Dr. Emert accompanied the group. Students were shown methods used for rehabilitation of the land.

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Work to Begin On Student Union In May or June

Construction on the Student Union Building will begin in May or June, Ren Kent told congress last week.

He said Dr. Thomas F. Richardson, chairman of the Student Union Co-ordinating Committee, gave May as the earliest possible date for ground-breaking.

Construction companies will probably make their bids during the next 60 days, Richardson revealed.

President M. E. Sadler has requested an estimate on the project.

In its regular spring meeting on March 20, the Board of Trustees will discuss the project.

Rabbi Klein Speaks To Campus Groups

Rabbi Gerald J. Klein, a representative of the Jewish Chataqua Societa, visited the campus Tuesday and Wednesday, according to Dr. Roy Snodgrass, dean of Brite College of the Bible.

During his stay here, Rabbi Klein spoke to both the undergraduate and graduate schools. He addresses Professor George P. Fowler's class on Prophets Tuesday.

On Wednesday he spoke first to a convocation of seminary students at Brite at 11 a.m.; at chapel services at noon; and to the Homiletic Guild at 12:30 in Colonial Cafeteria.

A native of Canonsburg, Pa., he is a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, where he received his B.A. degree in 1943. He studied for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and was ordained a rabbi in 1948. Since 1952 he has been Associate Rabbi at Temple Emanuel in Dallas.

Graner Will Lead TCU Women Exes TISA Discussion Have Luncheon

Carl Graner, one of six congressional representatives to the spring convention of the Texas Intercollegiate Student Association in Houston next weekend, will be chairman of a convention panel on "Co-operation Among Member Schools."

The convention will start Thursday night and continue through Sunday at Rice Institute.

Ren Kent, Bob Beals, and Misses Dora Mae Turner, Shirley Wilson and Sue Wheeler, all congress members, will accompany Graner.

C. J. Firkins, dean of men, also will participate.

TCU Women Exes held a luncheon on the Pool Terrace at Western Hills at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. Mrs. Harry Friedman discussed spring hats and how to decorate them.

Plans were announced for the continuation of the sale of TCU 75th anniversary plates. They are available for \$2.50.

Prof. Agee Will Speak

Prof. Warren K. Agee, chairman of the journalism department, will speak to the Fort Worth High School Press Club at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at McLean Junior High School.

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