

H. J. COLLEGE WORK PRAISED

HONOR ROLL MAKERS GET MORE 'CUTS'

Thirty-Seven Who Made High Grades Extended Special Privileges

Special privileges in regard to class attendance will be awarded to 37 students of the Houston Junior College from now until the end of the scholastic year because of high marks made in studies, N. K. Dupree, assistant dean, announced recently.

Students thus honored are: Taking four or more courses and making all A and B grades—Mrs. Jewell Askey, Mildred Louise Brannan, Mrs. Rex Bumpers, Lewis Bertrand Downing, Daisy Marie McKay, Elizabeth M. Scudder, Wayne Speer, Dorothy Tassey, Mrs. O. W. Wilcox.

Taking three courses and making all A and B grades—Francis Anselin, Earlene Gunn, Elizabeth Morgenstern, Mamie Williford, Nancy Lea Wilson, Evelyn R. Woolf.

Taking two courses and making A and B grades—Mrs. K. Berwick, Edith Bobb, Mrs. Ruth Carroll, Elsa Gehring, Mrs. O. P. Harris, Ava Turney Hooks, Louise Huggins, Mr. Inglis, Sara Jackson, Mrs. Natalia Jameson, (Continued on Page Three)

Sketch Given of J. Bender

It is only fair that we should know something about John R. Bender, official coach of Junior College. Coach Bender, M. A., M. S., LL.M., was the most versatile athlete that the Cornhuskers ever turned out.

He lettered in the four major sports and was picked All-Missouri Valley and All-American fullback for three years. He has coached many winning teams and before coming to Houston was Freshman athletic director at Texas A. & M. College, as well as professor of Physical Education.

Under his experienced hands Houston Junior College will soon take a leading part in all athletics. In addition to directing athletics, Coach Bender offers attractive courses in physical education and hygiene.

St. Thomas and Cougars, 10-10

On Thursday, March 29, the St. Thomas and Cougar baseball teams clashed and fought to a 10 to 10 tie. Many hits and errors were made, but the score was always so close that there was doubt until the last.

Ted Warden took the batting honors of the day, knocking the only home run. Jimmy Reed, pitcher for St. Thomas, allowed 13 hits, of which the Cougars made 10 good. The game was called at the end of the seventh inning.

Batteries: Cougars: Bilao and Guseman; St. Thomas: Reed and Garret.

F. M. Black

F. M. Black, dean of Houston Junior College, has a varied career as educator. He predicts that the school will advance rapidly in enrollment



ENROLLMENT TO GROW NEXT YEAR

Garland Sadler

"Seventy per cent of those annually applying for admittance into the major colleges and universities are refused because of the lack of proper facilities, and this number must either receive training in the junior college or be deprived of an education," stated F. M. Black, dean of Houston Junior College, in answer to a question concerning the importance of the college and its anticipated growth.

"Within a few years it is our intention to have our own building with school hours more conveniently arranged."

Sees More Enrollment

"Prospects for a large enrollment in the college next year are indeed bright as we are annually graduating more than 1200 students from our high schools and we are sure that a large number will register here."

"The quality of work being done in the Houston Junior College is equal to that being done anywhere. Our faculty is an excellent one. They not only know something but they know how to teach it."

Mr. Black is thoroughly competent to speak on any phase of educational work. He has served continuously in the Houston public school system for the past 23 years.

Mr. Black came to Houston in 1905, immediately after graduating from Southwestern University, to serve as instructor of mathematics in Houston's only high school. Shortly after, Mr. Black was accorded the honor of being appointed the first head of the department of mathematics in a Houston high school.

Serves as Principal

In 1908 he was appointed principal of Longfellow School and served in that capacity until 1911 when he was transferred to Travis School. Resigning from that position in 1914 Mr. (Continued on Page Three)

COLLEGE HOP TO BE GIVEN ON APRIL 20

All Plans Completed For Easter Hop, Big Social Event of Year

By Mary E. Rigg

With the passing of Lent and the approach of Easter marking a revival of social affairs for spring, the Houston Junior College will have as its outstanding event—a dance which will be held at Kensington Hall, Tuesday, April 20. The Kensington orchestra will furnish the music, and dancing will be enjoyed from 9 p. m. to a. m.

Plans are rapidly being completed and the members of the school social committee have been kept busy making arrangements for decorations and the program, although none of the dance committee will divulge facts in regard to either.

Colors: Blue and White

However, mysterious whispering has revealed the fact that the color scheme will follow the Junior College colors, royal blue and white.

Frank Arrington, president of the freshman class, has faithfully attended (Continued on Page Three)

H. J. C. History Vividly Told

May Bess Huberich

The Houston Junior College has now become such a fixed part of the educational system of Houston and has taken such a permanent hold on the minds of the citizens of the community that it is difficult to realize that less than a year ago plans for (Continued on Page Three)

Dr. E. E. Oberholtzer

Dr. E. E. Oberholtzer, superintendent of the Houston public schools and president of the Houston Junior College, extends congratulations



DR. OBERHOLTZER WRITES MESSAGE

When asked for his message of greeting to the faculty and student body of the Houston Junior College, Dr. E. E. Oberholtzer, president of the College, replied in terms of high praise and commendation for the successful achievements during the past year, and predicted that the Houston Junior College would soon rank high among the educational institutions of the state.

Dr. Oberholtzer's message to the faculty and students is as follows:

"I wish to extend my cordial greetings and congratulations to the faculty and student body as the first year of the Houston Junior College draws near its close."

"I am greatly delighted with the fine spirit displayed by the student (Continued on Page Three)

An Editorial

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"Mental development ceases when a man no longer changes his mind," said a psychological expert in discussing the laborious stages in the onward march of civilization.

What the psychologist said about the mind of man is true in a great measure of the development of any institution.

Change is the cornerstone of human progress, the motivating power in a relentless striving for that unattainable Utopia called perfection.

The difference between an intelligent man and a moron lies in the ability to weigh and consider, to cast aside fixed beliefs which are often delusions and to become subject to that great metamorphosis which men call progress.

The Cougar, believing in this elementary principle, will from month to month offer constructive criticism, not criticism calculated to destroy what others have built up through painstaking efforts, but criticism designed to point out flaws in the finished structure—flaws which perhaps have escaped the eyes of those engaged in building the super-structure.

The editorial staff of this paper does not set itself up as the power plenipotentiary of the throng, nor does it seek to dictate the policies of the college or its individual students. It intends merely to act as a spectator among the throngs, seeing perhaps a little more clearly because it looks more intently at the problem at hand.

AFFILIATION IS NOW NEAR ESTABLISHED

Students Transferring From Houston Junior College Not Require Entrance Exams

Houston Junior College will no doubt be affiliated with the Association of Texas Colleges Colleges within the present month as the result of an inspection of the college last Wednesday by E. J. Matthews, registrar of the University of Texas and representative of the Texas Association of Colleges.

Mr. Matthews had nothing but praise for the accomplishments of the Junior College. He expressed himself rather freely about its success and progress and said that he expected to recommend the Junior College to the Texas Committee on College Standards for full affiliation in its two years of work. The committee will meet April 27-28 for consideration of Mr. Matthews' recommendation.

If the committee reports favorably to the general association the Houston Junior College becomes officially a junior college of A-grade rank.

This means that the two years of (Continued on Page Three)

District Meet Here Apr. 13

Houston Junior College is to sponsor the Twenty-Second District University of Texas Interscholastic League events during the month of April.

Among the events will be declamation, debating, dramatic and athletic contests. On April 13 and 14, all athletics, including tennis meets, will be at Rice Institute field. The tennis games for the girls will be played at the San Jacinto courts.

This is a real "break" for the Houston Junior College. This institution is fast becoming a leader among the junior colleges of the state, and has already begun to assume a position of importance and responsibility in educational circles.

H. J. C. Captures Two First Places

In the recent track meet between San Jacinto and Milby high schools, the Junior College was allowed to take part, winning two first places. Bryon Sadler won the 440 yard dash in the time of 56 seconds. Guy Savage won the high jump with a five foot seven inch jump.

All of which goes to show that there is some athletic ability in the Junior College if it is only applied. San Jacinto won the meet by a large number of points.

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Editorial—

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"Why," shouted the ugliest man in the world as he gazed into the mirror, "do you give me back always the same reflection, that same terrible face?"

Had the mirror been equipped with vocal chords, it would have shouted back, "Because I haven't the power to change your face. I can only give back that which you send."

The analogy, perhaps, is not clear. But the point is this. This column will be the mirror of Houston Junior College. It will not attempt to point out how changes should be brought about; rather it will give back the reflection in startling reality. The faults will be obvious, as obvious as those of the ugliest man in the world.

Need Material In Baseball Training

"Be there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said, 'This is my own, my native game?'" (With apologies.) Honestly, now, who doesn't get a kick out of a good baseball game? Lemme tell you something—Junior College has a baseball team! Yessir! A real live baseball team.

But aside from this, there are more candidates needed. There never lived a boy who couldn't play baseball so well that he wondered how McGraw missed him. Come on out, you fellows that proclaim to your associates that you don't have time for games. The less you know about the game, probably the better player you will make. If Coach Bender can't make a real player out of you, then you are hopeless.

Frankly, there are some of the boys out who surprised me. Some are screams in gym suits, but they are trying. They are not standing on the sidelines jeering as some people do. Fellows, it's the love of the game that makes you play it. If you only play for the personal honor attached to it, then you will be a bigger flop in life than you are now. The honor of the school, the love of the game, and the chance of winning or losing—all these count when you play baseball.

Among those trying out are: Bilao, Mosk, Tadlock, Guseman, Maniscalco, Lawler, Jeter, Vallons, Sadler, Blacklock, Ellis, Blair, and Barker.

Society

Students of the Junior College and friends of Alice May Jackson, a former co-ed of the college, will be interested to learn of her marriage to John Millard Padgette, Thursday, March 15. Mr. and Mrs. Padgette will receive friends at their home on 2536 Westgate Drive, after a short honeymoon trip.

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Kittredge Vinson, who motored with his family to El Paso and Roswell, New Mexico, has just returned to Houston after having passed a pleasant week visiting his brother, Tresley Vinson, who is attending a military school in New Mexico.

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Annie Ruth Moore passed a pleasant week-end with friends in Beaumont and returned home late Sunday evening.

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Julia Luckie, Lillian Riddle and Mary E. Rigg, attired in attractive sport costumes, were seen at the first baseball game of the season when the Junior College played St. Thomas.

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Genieva Jacobs enjoyed a visit of several days duration to Austin and Shelley Jordan passed the week end at Bay Shore.

Very little entertaining is being done as hostesses are taking opportunity of the Lenten season to make their affairs of a small and informal nature. Several hostesses are planning delightful entertainments to be held after Easter is marked off the calendar.

French Notes

"The Man Who Married a Dum Wife," a play to be presented by students of the French Club, is well under way and the public may look forward to an interesting performance in the college auditorium at 8:45 p. m., Friday.

The play, a social satire and a comedy from beginning to end, is an evidence of the craftsmanship of Anatole France, the most celebrated Frenchman of letters of the nineteenth century. It was played in New York City under the direction of Granville Barker, and has never failed to please American audiences.

Just what is the play? Is it modern? No, indeed, far from that. Those interested in styles will be charmed with the spring modes of 1460. The Easter hennins will be the last word in fashionable Parisian headgear. Though costumes and settings are of middle ages, there is nothing medieval in the dumb wife's observations on Home Economics, nor does she wait that she is misunderstood, that she needs attention belong exclusively to the fifteenth century.

The role of the dumb wife is played by Alleen Pickett, laying also in its title role, and interpreting very well the part of the learned judge, is Pat Quinn, who has already given evidence of talent in connection with high school dramatics. Among other members of the cast, which represents the French Clubs of both Junior College and Central High School are the following students:

Annie Ray Qualtrough, the lawyer's ward; B. B. Yeagar, the lawyer; Wallace Banks, the physician; Merlyn Christie, the surgeon; Morris Berman, the apothecary; Kittredge Vinson, the secretary to the judge; and Marcus King and Phillip Stone, attendants to the surgeon.

The entire cast will include eighteen picturesquely clad figures.

Martin gives evidence of unusual musical ability and will delight the audience with selections on his violin. William Pollard, Jack Barker, Jess Horn and Frank Davis form a quartette and will respond with several vocal numbers. Elma Basquez and Nancy Lee Wilson will be most becomingly attired and will add much to an interesting ensemble.

Visiting delegates to the Inter-scholastic League meet have been especially invited to attend the performance as guests of the Junior College.

JUNIOR COLLEGE FACULTY ENTERTAINED

Spring weather and fair skies were so suggestive of outings that even some of the most staid members of the faculty accepted the following invitation:

On Saturday, eve of April first, Though thunder showers do their worst,

If with us you'll a-fishing go, Please make haste and let us know. For this fishing trip we start at eight, Now do take pains and don't be late. Where Alabama's stream flows into Main

The number 10 you'll please retain And find a way to let us know If with us you'll a-fishing go.

Miss Topham and Miss Huberich, who were hostesses to the other members of the faculty, signed themselves the guardians of the fish pond, concerning the location of which there was much confusion. Some felt that the trip might end in the vicinity of Buffalo Bayou and were a little disappointed on learning that the entire outing would take place in Miss Topham's apartment.

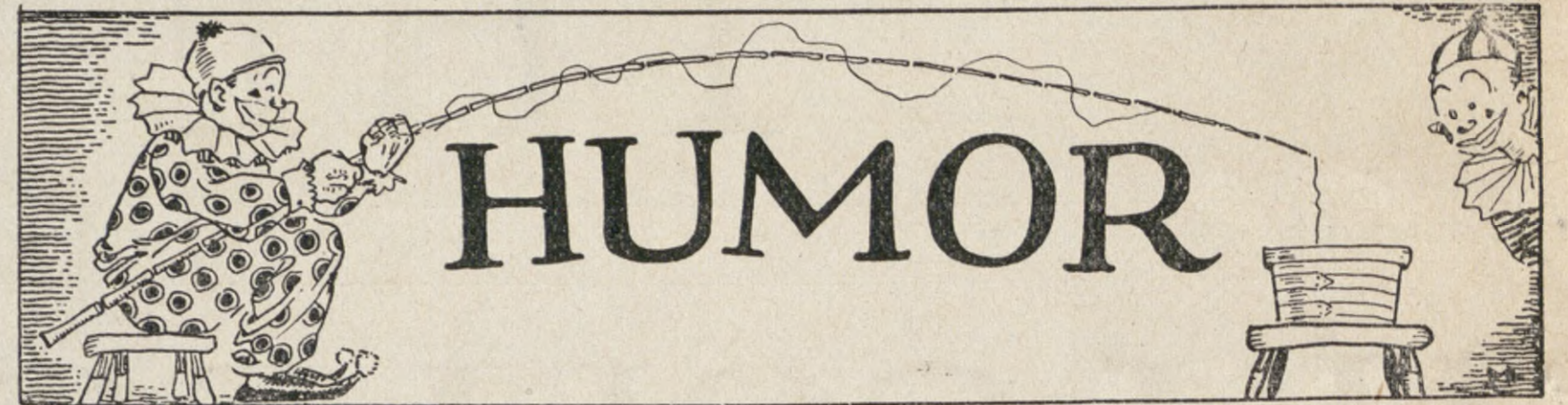
On arrival each guest was provided with fishing tackle and bait and was forthwith called upon to demonstrate his skill. Mr. Dupre and Mr. South had exhausted some of their strength on a previous fishing trip earlier in the day. It was reported that Mr. South in addition to being an expert diver made quite a large haul in spite of the fact that he now has two bandaged fingers which were nibbled at by hungry crabs. Neither he nor Mr. Black made any sort of record on their evening trip. Mr. Black likewise was able to bring in only 15 pounds of bass, the lowest score for any of the contestants, for which he was awarded the consolation prize, a box of sardines. Mrs. Black, on the contrary, had the best of beginner's luck and tied with Miss Roberts for the high score. After a final moment of competitive fishing, the first prize, a bowl of gold fish, was awarded to Miss Roberts.

Although the games and conversation around the fish pond afforded the chief pleasure of the evening, there were several bridges to cross and many pitfalls for the less wary. It is hoped that their strenuous efforts will be followed by no unfavorable results. A salad course was served later in the evening. All enjoyed the occasion thoroughly.

I got a dog; I got a cat:
I got a five room furnished flat:
The place is fine: The place is mine,
I signed right on the dotted line—
I got the ring and everything
Yet I am sad and cannot sing;
The reason seems—oh, so absurd—
I got the cage—BUT not the bird.

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He ran for many a mile.
The bulldog tore his garters off,
His socks were sagging as he flew.
And now they call it style.



DR. BELICOSE SERABELLUM'S ADVICE

Dear Doctor:

I find it hard to chose the girl that I want to go with at the junior college. Enclosed you will find a self-licked stamp for which please send me your advice.

BERT ATKINS.

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Dear Burt:

I should suggest that you take four or five girl's names such as Ida Mehr, Alleen Pickett, Mildred Braham and Hilda Ellison, put them on pieces of paper and place them in a hat—then throw the hat away.

DR. BELLIKOSE.

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Dear Doctor:

I am young, pretty and popular but I am always having terrible colds. They make my nose red. How do you cure them?

ELMA BASQUEZ.

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Dear Elma:

That's a cinch. Take plenty of good exercise, quinine, bicarbonate of soda, aspirin and the like. But remember the easiest way to get over a cold is not to resort to medicine of any kind.

Dr. Serabellam.

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Dear Doctor:

My popularity is waning. What is your advice?

Katherine Baker.

Dear Katherine:

I would advise you to take the boys for more rides between classes.

Dr. Serabellam.

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Dear Doctor Serrabellam:

I have picked out a beautiful girl to marry and a wonderful cook. What do you think of my choice?

Marcus King.

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Dear Marcus:

Your choice is marvelous but such a marriage would be bigamy.

Doctor Bellikose.

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Now boys Nancy Lea Wilson is surely one fine girl. Mr. Porter says she would not even work improper fractions.

Speaking of Mr. Porter, do you know why he is like the banisters in the middle of our steps?

Give up, everybody?

Well, they both divide a column of "figures."

"Not so funny but gosh dern, so original."

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Dumb: "Is this seat taken?"

Bell: "If you will observe closely you will find that the last student left it there."

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Bed-time stories:

Little Willie dressed in the best of sashes,

Fell in the grate and was burned to ashes.

After a while the room grew chilly, 'Cause nobody wanted to poke poor Willie.

(Here's hoping you sleep well, children.)

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Massacre this on you mandolin:
The ship was doomed and sinking fast,
All the crew had fled but one,
Byron Sadler kept cool with Coolidge,
And did not choose to run.

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Oliver Guesman broke his watch at

the game Thursday and was worrying how he could get it down-town to be repaired, when up pipes our own clever Lester Kizer, chiding, "I'll tell you, 'Guzz,' wind it up and let it run down."

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Grrrrr—

John Tipton: "What are you doing to that water?"

Prof. Ander: "Analyzing it."

Same John: "What's in it?"

Prof. Ander (after reflecting for 20 minutes): "Two thirds hydrogen and one-third oxygen."

Johnnie (meekly): "Then there ain't no water in it at all, is there Mr. Ander?"

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Suppose you slay this on your slayer-piano:

The plane went into a spiral glide, "Doc" Stewart from his seat did slide. Frank Arrington looked up and gave a shout,

'Another good man, down and out.'

* * *

"I want some hot popped butt corn—I mean cut buttered hop corn—that is corn butter pop butt, or rather hop cuttered pot corn, I mean—Oh, well, give me some peanuts.

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When are you going to shave?

I'm not shaving till Saturday.

What's coming off Saturday?

My whiskers.

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Captain Calvin: Who's writing so fast on that typewriter in there?

Bob Collier: Oh, that's just Emily Alcala chewing her gum.

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Bashful: Do you mind if I kissed you?

No answer.

Bashful: Would you care if I kissed you?

Mildred Learned: Say, do you want me to promise not to bite?

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College Hop—

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ed all meetings of the dance committee and has assisted the various chairmen with many helpful suggestions.

As a result of a recent decision by the social committee, Arrington will lead the grand march.

Tickets Distributed

Distribution of tickets has been made and bids may be secured from Jack Barker, chairman of the ticket committee, or from various students appointed by Barker.

Chairmen of the various committees are:

Shelley Jordan, decoration committee, assisted by Virginia Cronin, Mary Elizabeth Rigg, Mildred Braman, Julia Luckie and Dorothy Dixon.

Joseph Maniscalco, floor committee, assisted by Misses Rigg and Cronin.

Merlyn Christie, advertising, and Barker, ticket committee, assisted by students of Central, San Jacinto, and John H. Reagan high schools.

Faculty Invited

Members of the junior college faculty have been given special invitations to attend.

Bits of conversation heard around the college indicate that the girls are doing their share in creating interest in the prom and also that many charming and becoming evening gowns are being planned for the

This is expected to be the biggest and best dance which has ever been sponsored by students of the college. Heretofore dances have been given in the San Jacinto High School gymnasium which restricted attendance to college students.

College History—

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the creation of this institution of higher learning were practically formless. Nevertheless, the necessity of providing for the 1,200 young graduates from the Houston high schools, the opportunity for furnishing a means for those already in business to further their own interests by vocational training, and the privileges of encouraging those desiring the cultural advantages offered by college courses urged the Board of Education to consider the question of establishing a junior college.

Interviews Board

At the request of a number of the parents of the young high school graduates who felt it unwise for young students to be deprived of home guidance and control during the period of social immaturity, the Board of Education undertook to consider the facilities of Houston for establishing an institution which would provide for further training of these students. The Board felt that the policy of Rice Institute in regard to providing a junior college in connection with this institution should first be determined. Accordingly, the President of the Board and others went as a committee to interview the Board of Trustees at Rice and lay before them the situation and emphasize the urgent need and general demand for a junior college in Houston.

The Board of Trustees of Rice stated that on account of limited finances, they could not establish a junior college in connection with the institution, nor could they increase to any extent the existing facilities to provide for the increase in enrollment which this plan would bring about. The Board also stated that the nature of the charter of Rice Institute itself forbade their establishing any school and charging tuition to the student body.

The Rice Trustees, however, expressed themselves as approving of the plan suggested by the Board of Education to establish a junior college for those students not attending Rice who had planned to enter other institutions away from Houston and

offered to cooperate with the administrators in supporting the new project.

U. T. Lacks Facilities

Dr. Frederick Eby, professor of Education at the University of Texas and recognized authority on the junior college situation in Texas, discussed with the Board the purpose and function of junior colleges in general and stated that it had been the policy of the University of Texas to encourage the establishment of such institutions, especially in large cities, not only for the reason that the standard of work done by the present junior colleges in Texas was considered of an unusually high type, but also for the reason that the University did not have the facilities necessary for accommodating its rapidly increasing enrollment. Dr. Eby also stated that the junior college would be a means of extending the school period beyond the high school years; that it would be of value and service to the community in making it possible for many young men and women to obtain the benefits of college education who could not otherwise do so; and that it would furnish certain vocational training which would assist those students intending to enter the business world in meeting the problems continually arising in the competition of modern business.

Shelby Confirms

Dr. T. H. Shelby, representing the University of Texas, confirmed the statements of Dr. Eby and added that Houston had every reason to have a successful college if the situation was properly managed.

On March 7, 1927, therefore, at the Sam Houston high school, the Board adopted a formal resolution providing for the establishment of a junior college. At the following meeting of the Board on March 14, plans were worked out for the establishment of a college and the organization of the faculty for the running of a school during the summer session was completed. Dr. Shelby stated that the University would assist in furnishing members of the faculty, and Dr. H. F. Estill of the Sam Houston State Teachers College stated that a part of the faculty of this college could be released to assist in completing the faculty of the Junior College summer school.

The first summer session of the Houston Junior College began on June 6, in the San Jacinto Senior High school building. The daily sessions lasted from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m., and continued for five weeks, six days a week. The first regular session began September 19, 1927.

Called "Venture"

This venture in education, as the junior college has been called, has proved in Houston a great success and the administrators of the College are highly gratified at the results. The work done by the school has been greatly commended, and the increase in enrollment and consequently the growth of the faculty have been sufficient proof that Houston Junior College is fulfilling its function in providing for the urgent need and great demand for means of higher educational advantages for a larger group.

Enrollment To—

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Black became principal of Sam Houston High School. While serving in that capacity Mr. Black also supervised the building of San Jacinto High School and upon its completion was appointed principal of that school.

Mr. Black was again transferred back to Sam Houston High School as principal and served in that capacity until 1923, when he was appointed supervisor of the Houston high schools.

In 1926 he continued his advancement by an appointment to the direc-

torship of the city high schools and at the present time retains that position together with the position of Dean of the Houston Junior College.

College Work Praised—

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the Houston Junior College will be legally recognized as of equal rank with the first two years of any other A-grade college or university of the State.

Big Colleges Affiliated

Other A-grade colleges affiliated with the Association of Texas Colleges include the University of Texas, A. & M. College, Baylor University, Southern Methodist University, and other colleges of the highest standing in the State.

"Students transferring from Houston Junior College may enroll in any other institution of higher learning, college or university, without the necessity of an entrance examination," N. K. Dupre, assistant dean of the Junior College, said.

"Mr. Matthews' recommendation is of the highest value," declared Mr. Dupre, "because it will determine our rating with all the other colleges and universities of the State and elsewhere."

Mr. Matthews arrived in Houston early Wednesday and spent the entire morning in an inspection trip over the public high school system. He was accompanied by Dr. E. E. Oberholtzer, president of the Junior College, and superintendent of the Houston schools, and F. M. Black, dean of the college and supervisor of the Houston high schools.

Joined By Mr. Dupre

Arriving at the college at about 4 p. m., Wednesday, the party was joined by Mr. Dupree and an examination of the college facilities was immediately begun. Mr. Matthews showed specific interest in the college records, the library, and the various science laboratories.

"The prospects for this junior college are bright, and I venture to say that it will become one of the best in the country," Mr. Matthews declared while in conference with college executives after the inspection.

"Knowing the progress that is being made in other departments of Houston's school system and realizing what Houstonians have accomplished in the past few years in the school program, I expected to find an unusual institution when visiting the Houston Junior College."

"Such progress is a direct proof of the excellence of the teaching staff and an indication of their untiring efforts at every turn," Mr. Matthews concluded.

Mr. Matthews left Houston late Wednesday night to return to Austin.

Makes Special Trip

Importance of the visit was further emphasized when it was learned that Mr. Matthews had made the trip from Austin for the specific purpose of inspecting the college with a view to appraising the work and reporting to the Committee on Standards of the Association of Texas Colleges.

The dean said that he felt sure that the report would find favor with the committee. After the recommendation is approved it will be voted upon by all members of the association.

Approved by this body, the Houston Junior College becomes a full-fledged junior college. That means that students completing courses at the Junior College will be accepted without question at any other college affiliated with the Association of Texas Colleges. Full credit for work done in the Houston Junior College will be received upon transfer of the Houston student.

Few Honored First Year

"Junior colleges are usually given conditional affiliation at the end of their first year," Mr. Dupre said, "and if the Houston Junior College is rec-

ognized by the association, it will be one of a very few in Texas to be so honored during the first year of its existence."

The Houston Junior College was recognized earlier in the year by the State Department of Education upon the recommendation of J. R. Reid. This recommendation was made after a detailed investigation and as a result of it, teachers completing courses at the college are given full credit for such towards their teaching certificates.

Honor Roll—

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Mildred Jones, Leon Judd, Frances MacLaughlin, Mrs. Ruby McMillan, Mrs. John L. Martin, Willie Matthews, Nanie E. Morris, Lena Rosebaum, Mary L. Shepperd, Mrs. Robert Traylor, Elizabeth Turney and Benjamin Yeager.

Records show that only three students in Houston Junior college at the end of last term made as many as five A's, or an A in each subject they were taking.

These students were Mrs. Jewell Askey, Dorothy Tassey and Mrs. O. W. Wilcox. Only one other student, Mrs. Rex Bumpers, made straight A's in as many as four subjects.

"We have given those who show excellent scholastic proficiency," said Mr. Dupre, "special privileges, because we feel that these persons are sufficiently interested in their work

Dr. Oberholtzer—

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body. For the most part this group of students has been thoroughgoing, studious, and energetic, and the faculty has been devoted to its task. sincerely trust that this spirit shall never wane, but will improve as the years go by, thus placing the Houston Junior College among those of highest rank.

"The first year has been a good beginning, remarkable in enrollment, remarkable in spirit and successful in achievement. May this record grow in value year by year in service to this city and its environs for those earnest going young men and women who desire to prepare themselves for the largest service in life."

"I desire to extend again my heartiest congratulations and best wishes to the faculty and student body for the year's work and for this first issue of the 'Cougar.'"

After such high terms of praise and best wishes for all concerned, it is out of justice to ourselves that we become better acquainted with the man selected to direct the events of the Junior College during its infancy; events that without a doubt will ever affect the college in years to come.

Dr. Oberholtzer came to Houston in June, 1924, to assume the superintendency of the public schools, having been elected for a two-year term, which is the maximum length of time for which school officers may be elected. He was re-elected and is now finishing his fourth year of service in Houston. At its meeting in February, 1928, the Board of Education re-elected Dr. Oberholtzer for a third term.

When the Houston Junior College was organized, the Board of Education by resolution made the Superintendent of Schools the president of Junior College.

Before coming to Houston, Dr. Oberholtzer served ten years as superintendent of public schools at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Prior to that time he was superintendent of schools at Clinton, Indiana, for two years; assistant superintendent of schools at Evansville, Indiana; five years in the rural schools as principal of a small village high school; supervising principal of the elementary schools of Terre Haute, Indiana. He has had experience in college teaching, having served one

year as instructor in mathematics in the Indiana State Normal School, and during a leave of absence granted by Dean Holmes of the Illinois Normal University, Dr. Oberholtzer was placed in charge of the course in education. He holds the Ph. B. and M. A. degrees from the University of Chicago, the LL. D. degree, and has done work towards his Ph. D. both at the University of Chicago and at Columbia University. So far his entire career has been devoted to the service of the public schools.

Dr. Oberholtzer has the distinction of belonging to the following organizations:

The Board of Stewards, First Methodist Church; the Board of Directors, Rotary Club; Life member of the National Educational Association, having held executive offices in the Department of Superintendents and the General Section of National Education Association; Phi Delta Kappa and is a thirty-second degree Mason.

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REVIEW of FOOTBALL SEASON

GOOD SPIRIT MANIFESTED BY COUGARS

Year's Record Is One Victory, Three Ties, and Four Defeats

By Jack Barker

Although it is rather late to talk about football, it is only right that the first football team of Houston Junior College should be given a bit of recognition. With only sixteen men to build an eleven around, Coach Bender turned out a scrappy, peppy bunch of men that played above their own level.

Among those present in every game were the following: Jeter, Scarbrough, Bugg, Howell, Aleo, Baines, Sadler, Guseman, Tadlock, C. Jackson, Richards, E. Jackson, G. Sadler, Vallone, Blair, Lawler and Tipton. These boys being an assortment that had played although an assortment that had played every kind of football, were playing real football at the end of the season under the able guidance of Coach Johnnie.

Classed as "Comers"

A short resume of the season's games will show that although the team were not winners, they were comers. The first game of the season was with the strong San Jacinto Bears. The Junior College Cougars, seeing their first time in action, held the Bears to a 0 to 0 tie. Although the game was several times in danger, the Cougars held on to the scoreless end. The Bears threatened several times to make a touchdown, and the Cougars bucked up enough to threaten the goal once.

The next game was out of town. With a few fair co-eds the Cougars journeyed to Huntsville, where they took the short end of a 13-0 score.

Tie Game

The little town that is called Houston's playground was the scene of the following game. St. Mary's Seminary took the Cougars in for a 7-0 score until the last quarter, when with heroic effort and splendid teamwork, Bugg plunged over for a touchdown, and Jeter's toe tied the count. The game was so near a close that no appreciable effort was made to raise the score. The game ended with a 7-7 score. The record stood—two ties and one loss.

Playing real football for a whole game, and holding a 7-6 lead for three quarters, the Cougars were nosed out of a win in the last minute of play by a forty yard drop-kick, which raised the score 10-7. Jeff Davis High School won this game, but in a later contest they went down in defeat.

Another Tie

Huntsville Normal Reserves then came to Houston to give us the chance to get even. Playing on our own gridiron, the final count was 7-7. The Cougars made the first touchdown on straight football, while the Reserves passed for ten yards and a touchdown. The count then stood for the Cougars three ties and two losses.

Following closely on this game was a clash with the Heights Bulldogs, who later became city champs. A sixty-five yard run on an intercepted pass by Scarbrough gave the Cougars fumbles followed with stellar playing on both sides. The Heights aggrega-

Cougars Pitted Against Beaumont In Baseball, Track Coming Season

**Coach John Bender Working Hard With Men;
Says Prospects Are Bright For Victory**

The "Fighting" Cougars are determined to have both a baseball and a track team this spring. Coach Bender is working hard with the boys who have come out but is anxious to have many more of the men in school show up for practice.

Games are to be arranged and meets held with the local high schools and with Beaumont College. Practice is held daily on the San Jacinto field.

Coach Comments

In an exclusive interview to the sports editor, Coach Bender said, "The prospects are excellent."

"I have a fine bunch of men," he declared. "I am expecting them to capture a majority of the contests—both in baseball and track meets."

The baseball team looks now about as follows:

Catcher, Guseman; pitcher, Bilao; first base, Vallone; second base, Jeter; third base, Jackson; fielders, B. Sadler, Ellis, Matelak; short stop, Lawler.

The men trying out for track are: B. Sadler, Jack Barker, Homer Helton, Bo Martin, Dudley Ellis, Wm. Pollard, Cherault, Wesley Baines, Wallace Blair, Roy Carley, Elliot Flaxman, Guy Savage, Oliver Guesman.

Tennis

Coach Bender has a tennis team consisting of Homer Ley, Leo Cohn, Bo Martin, Robert Blair and A. D. Burg. All students interested in tennis are requested to report to the San Jacinto courts daily.

Swimming

Those students desiring to learn to swim are requested to meet Coach Bender at the pool at 5 daily.

tion took home the bacon for an 18-7 count.

A Loss

The next game—and boy, what a game! It was the struggle between the Rice Freshmen and Houston Cougars. It was on a grassy field, after a recent rain, and it was like playing on ice! Rice students talked to the Freshmen before the game and told them that if they didn't win by seven touchdowns, all would be lost. The poor Freshmen missed one licking. They won by a 45-0 score. Phooey. Wot a game!

Victory!

The only win of the season followed this game. Taking on the light St. Thomas team, the Cougars won by one point, 20-19. This game was full of thrills, fumbles and what have you? It was a game that will never be forgotten. The Cougars piled up a big lead before Billy Garrett woke up, and then he showed them all his heels. Billy nearly won the game by himself.

And thus endeth a hectic season! Studies were resumed, aches were forgotten, and some other field of interest was taken up. We do prophesy, though, that the Houston Junior College Cougars will not lose a game next year.

The usual lineup was as follows:

R. E.—B. Sadler
R. E.—Baines
R. T.—C. Jackson
C.—E. Jackson
L. T.—Guseman
L. G.—Richards
L. E.—Tadlock
Q.—Jeter

L. H.—Scarbrough
R. H.—Howell
F. B.—Bugg

Subs.: Aleo, Lawler, Vallone, G. Sadler, Blair, and Tipton.

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CLUB BREAKFAST

Eighteen energetic members of the French Club attended a sunrise breakfast at Hermann Park at 6:30 a. m., Saturday. The meal consisted of bacon and eggs, French rolls and coffee. Breakfast was served before a roaring fire in the open hearth provided at the park.

A portable victrola added to the gaiety of the morning which was lovely enough to repay any who may have had some slight compunction at having had to arise at such an early hour.

Fleur de lis place cards bore the names of the Mesdemoiselles Wilson, Qualtrough, Basquez, Newton, Pickett, Batte, Hitchcock, Watford, Braman, Jones, Huberich, Topman, and Mes-sieurs Lawler, Stone, Yeagar, Pollard, Christie, and Helton.

Tommie Reid—Say, give me a pound of dog meat and make it good, the last time I got it here it made my old man sick.

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Basketball Record,

14 Out of 22 Games

The fighting Cougars turned in fourteen victories out of a series of twenty-two basket ball games played and thus rendered a good account of themselves in their first season in this sport.

Their record is as follows:

Cougars 21, Athenians 13.
Cougars 13, Albatross 12.
Cougars 17, Dentists 13.
Cougars 12, Reagan 23.
Cougars 22, San Jacinto 38.
Cougars 20, Sam Houston 36.
Cougars 21, Les Amis 9.
Cougars 38, Revelers 7.
Cougars 32, Anderson-Clayton 23.
Cougars 23, Macabees 21.
Cougars 12, Jeff Davis 30.
Cougars 40, First Nat. Bank 26.
Cougars 33, Chronicle 32.
Cougars 28, St. Thomas 24.
Cougars 36, Avalons 22.
Cougars 27, St. Thomas 21.
Cougars 25, Milby High 34.
Cougars 27, Amos Club 17.
Cougars 39, Milby High 34.
Cougars 18, Beaumont Col. 24.
Cougars 16, San Jacinto Hi 38.
Cougars 15, Beaumont Col. 19.

The following players contributed to the success of the season: "Bo" Martin, Bill Jeter, Walter Scarbrough, Johnny Bugg, "Izzy" Waldman, Oliver Guseman, Murray Addison, B. Adkins, Robert Blair, A. Russell, Homer Helton, Wm. Pollard, R. A. Carley, Jerome Howell, "Chilly" Carlisle, "Big" Heltpole, "Pooch" Jones, Wallace Banks.

Most of these men will be back next year and the Cougars should give a good account of themselves during the season.

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