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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BEGUN BY EX-STUDENTS

Fund Drive Extended to Raise Deficit of \$706.10

The Fund Drive for a Ford Station Wagon for the Athletic Department still lacks \$706.10, Tom Menefee, President of the Ex-Students Association, announced at the general meeting in December 7, 1948.

A total of \$2,336.40 has been raised. The station wagon was presented, but there is still a deficit of

For the latest list of contributions to the Fund Drive please turn to "Scroll of Honor" on page 10, section 2.

\$706.10 Mr. Menefee said. The station wagon was purchased at the list price of \$2,642.50 but expenses totaling \$400.00 to cover postage and printing ran the total over-all expense of the drive to \$3,052.50.

"Let's everybody get busy after the Christmas season is over and make up this deficit," Mr. Menefee pleaded. All Exes who have not as yet helped in this drive will be contacted after the first of the year.

27 Exes Attend General Meeting

Plans for a bigger and more progressive Ex-Students Association was the main topic of discussion at the Association's Annual general meeting, December 7. The meeting was held in Room 104C at 7:00 p. m. Homecoming movies were shown and refreshments were served.

The meeting, attended by only twenty-seven Exes, heard President Menefee review the Association's progress for the past calendar year.

By-Law changes were voted on by the membership and means of collecting the \$706.10 deficit for this year's fund drive were discussed.

Present at the meeting were: Henry Taub, John J. Nicosia, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Peterson, Sam A. Mayer, Willard Piller, Bill T. Swanson, Walter Waldhauser, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Goyen, Glenn R. Smith, Joseph Camp, Ray Pressley, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Menefee, Bertha Foster, David Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bleike, Dot Childress, Rosemary Pellerin, Marian Pellerin, Arthur D. La Rochelle, Claude G. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Montgomery and Hugh Foster Montgomery II.

Body of Lt. Campbell Reburied Here In Forest Park After Memorial Services

The body of Lieutenant Ray Campbell was reburied on Friday, December 3, almost 5½ years after his death overseas.

One of the most colorful and outstanding students ever to attend the University, Lieutenant Campbell was one of the first volunteers to enter service from the University in World War II. He died in the invasion of Sicily on July 16, 1943, a member of the famous Rangers.

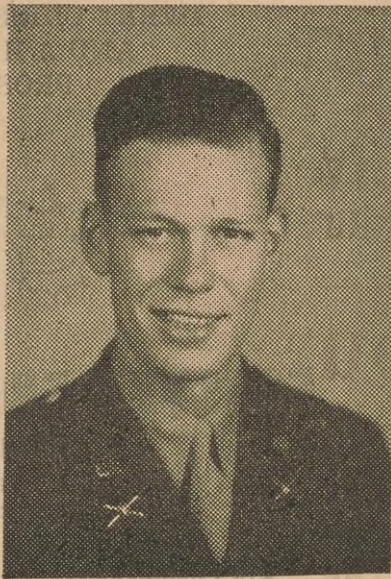
His body was returned to Houston on Dec. 2. Funeral services were held in Forest Park cemetery following brief memorial services at George H. Lewis Funeral home.

Thirty-seven Ex-Students and students who knew Ray in his student days at the University from 1937 until his graduation in 1942 served as honorary pallbearers. University professors and scores of other friends from college days were at the services.

Active in a wide variety of campus clubs and in student government, Campbell was one of the most frequently honored students ever to attend the University. He was vice-chairman of the Student Assembly in 1941, served as a member of the Student Council, was president of the Red Masque players in 1939 and was president of the Pre-Law club in 1941.

He served as class president in 1937 and again in 1939. He was a member of the National Collegiate Dramatic society and the Fencing club, was in the Houstonian's "Outstanding People" in 1941.

Campbell is survived by his mother, Mrs. Hattie Campbell of 1914 Gano.



RAY CAMPBELL



ROGER W. JEFFERY

Jaycees Nominate Ex-Student Jeffery For High Position

Roger W. Jeffery, a three-year board member in the Ex-Students Association, was nominated to the position of Second Vice-President in the Houston Junior Chamber of Commerce, it was announced this past week.

A prominent figure in the Jaycees since he joined in 1937, Jeffery has served on the Chamber's board of directors for three years, and at present holds the office of Secretary.

During his years with the Jaycees, Jeffery has excelled as an organizer, having originated the Oil Bowl football classic, and served as its secretary. He was co-director of Houston's first \$10,000 Golf Tournament, "The Tournament of Champions," and has for the past eight years been a member of the Senior Chamber Athletic Committee. He was appointed to this position for his outstanding work in the Youth Welfare program of our city.

While at the University of Houston Jeffery was active in campus affairs. He was elected Vice President of the freshman class in 1936 and in 1937 was Sophomore President.

Jeffery is sales promotion manager for Raymond Pearson, Inc., and lives at 3836 Belfontaine with his wife, Harriet. They have three children, Bill, 8, Judy, 2, and Jan, 2 months.

The new Jaycee officers will be elected the night of Tuesday, Jan. 4, at the Ben Milam Hotel.

By JIM PALMER

A membership drive to make the Ex-Students Association more truly representative of Ex-Students, including those from the early days to 1948 graduates, will start off with the New Year, the Ex-Students Association Board of Directors, has announced. It is hoped that the pres-

For your convenience there is a printed form on page 5 for the names and addresses of new members. Please fill out and mail to the Ex-Students Association at the University of Houston.

ent membership can be doubled within the next three months, a spokesman said.

"We want every member of the Ex-Students Association to round up other Ex-Students and sign them up on our rolls," President Tom Menefee said. "It's a job that every member must do. We officers can't do it without the full support and cooperation of each and every member," he said.

At present, some 3,000 members are on the official list of the Ex-Students Association, Johnny Goyen, Executive Secretary of the Ex-Students, reports. University records indicate that there are a total of 20,000 former University students, each of whom should be a member of the Ex-Students Association.

"We want to see the New Year bring in almost a one hundred percent membership," President Menefee said in announcing the membership drive.

Ex-Student Killed In Airplane Crash

Lt. Leroy B. "Buddy" McClellan, pre-war student at the university, was killed Sunday, Dec. 12, in a plane crash as he took off from a Dallas air base.

The victim was the son of Mrs. N. L. McClellan of 1809 Harvard.

The youthful naval reserve officer, who got his wings in 1944, two years after he enlisted, was a veteran of the Pacific campaigns as pilot of a torpedo bomber.

He was to have been graduated in June from the University of Texas as an aeronautical engineer. He has been taking training on weekends in the Navy's program for flying officers.

He took off from the Dallas base (Continued on Page 8)

President's Message

Merry Christmas, Ex-Students. May I extend to each of you the hope that you will enjoy the finest holiday season of all time this year.

We Exes have done a lot to be proud of since last Christmas, thanks to the loyalty and enthusiasm of every one of you. Speaking for the Association, we pledge full and continued progress in the year ahead.

The University of Houston has gone far this year, growing up more and more each and every day. Its sports program is becoming of major interest to all Houstonians. The University building program is going full speed. New academic programs are lifting University prestige. More than ever, the University is achieving a "big time" personality. Much of this progress is due to the loyalty of the University's Ex-Students.

This holiday season finds us with a happy feeling of a job well done, for the Ex-Students are active as never before. The Association hopes that in the year ahead, it will accomplish bigger and better things.

Once again, may we extend a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and every Ex-Student.

Sincerely,
THOMAS W. MENEFEE,
President

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Membership Drive

One New Year's Resolution that should be made and followed by each Ex-Student is to do his level best to get four or five of his fellow Ex-Students to sign up for membership in the Ex-Students Association.

The Ex-Students Association is important only in so far as it has a large and representative membership. At present we have some 3,000 members on our rolls. The total Ex-Student list includes some 20,000. Therefore, we have some 17,000 more to go. That's a lot of people, but if each member will bring in five new members this year, then that would mean that we would have a membership of 18,000.

This objective is not very difficult to bring about, if every student would merely contact five of his former classmates. What about it? It's up to each of us. Let's make this New Year's Resolution come true.

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Johnson Gets New Post at Orange HS

John R. Johnson, BS 1945 and MS 1948, was recently appointed coordinator of Social studies for the Junior and Senior High Schools at the Litcher Stark High School in Orange, Texas.

Johnson, a former teaching fellow in History at the University, assumed his new duties this past September.

A former Cougar Columnist in pre-war days, Johnson was very active while at the University. He served in the Student Assembly, was active in Frontier Fiesta and was president of the Future Teachers of America in 1947 and 1948.

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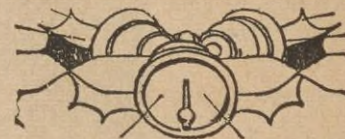
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R. E. 'Bob' Smith Gives Press to University

\$60,000 Gift Benefits Journalism, Permits Printing Cougar and Extra; Campus Plant May Open in January

R. E. (Bo) Smith, widely known oilman and head of the Texas Good Neighbor Commission has made possible the realization of a long-held dream of the members of the journalism department and the University's publications staffs by giving complete printing plant, used formerly in printing a daily paper, to the journalism and publications department of the University.

Mr. Smith estimated the value at \$60,000, but N. S. Patterson, head of the journalism department and director of public relations and publications, said that the value of the gift "far exceeds any monetary value set on it. Some people tell us we could not have bought all this equipment and paper for \$100,000 at this time."

THE EXtra TOO

It is highly possible as this goes to press that the next issue of THE EXtra will be printed in the new printing plant. If so, it's format will likely change from that of a tabloid—5 columns, to a regular 8-column newspaper, since the new press is better adapted to the larger size.

President Thomas Menefee said that Ex-Students have much reason to thank R. E. Smith, not only for this improvement of the publication, but because he has joined them in the cause of building the University of Houston. "He has the true spirit of the Ex-Students Association," Menefee said.

"The possibilities for use in the training of journalists and personnel for the printing trades in the years ahead and the possibilities of good will uses, even on the international level, cannot be properly evaluated," Patterson said. "Mr. Smith has demonstrated a rare and fine spirit of generosity and vision and has earned the undying gratitude of the University, its students, ex-students, and friends. Men like

him are doing a great deal toward making our University achieve its ambitious goal to become the leading university we all wish it to be."

A large Duplex web press, capable of turning out from 1500 to 4000 16-page papers per hour, is the "big" unit of the gift. Equally valuable in a monetary sense are the 120 tons of rare Swedish newsprint and magazine paper. Cost of this is \$25,000. Two almost new and hard-to-get Linotype machines were other major items.

The gift came following a visit by Mr. Patterson and Bruce Underwood, athletic publicity head and journalism instructor, to Mr. Smith in his office after a trip to the plant in Pasadena. Patterson outlined the needs of the journalism department, the publication needs of The Cougar and other campus publications, and the training possibilities in journalism and in the printing trades. Two days later Mr. Smith made the offer to President E. E. Oberholtzer at a Rotary meeting. The Board of Regents enthusiastically accepted the gift at the October meeting.

Moving of the plant began at once, and as THE EXtra goes to press it is practically set up and ready to operate. A. A. Bruce, superintendent of buildings and grounds, handled the moving of the plant and office fixtures and J. B. Cudd, technical instructor, with the assistance of expert press and linotype men, supervised installation of the press and the linotype machines in its temporary quarters in a shop on the northeast campus near the large Maintenance building.

It is hoped that the first issue of the Cougar after the holidays can be printed in this plant.

The gift included, in addition to shop machinery and equipment, complete office equipment, including filing cabinets, a safe, three typewriters for printing and journalism uses, a number of desks for the plant office . . . even a large coffee urn for the benefit of weary journalists and printers.

In making the gift, Philanthropist Smith declared: "The untrammelled press is the most important agency in our American democracy." He emphasized the importance of college journalism departments in the training of ethical professional workers, and said that he was confident that the University department of journalism will use the press for this purpose. He expressed the further hope that some means may be found for aiding the promotion of good will with our Latin-American neighbors.

University officials are hopeful that this gift will make possible the beginning of a leading printing press for educational and cultural uses in this area. It is hoped that Le Bayou, French quarterly edited by Professor Jules A. Vern and now distributed in mimeograph form all over the world from the French department, may be printed in the new shop. It is also hoped that a great deal of or all University printing may eventually be printed here and that scholarly papers, brochures, even books and magazines may eventually be published here. "It will not be commercial and we shall co-operate with printing trades of the area," Patterson emphasized.

Philanthropist Smith has long been one of the most active civic workers in Texas. He has headed the Good Neighbor Commission since its founding in 1943 and serves on many other committees and groups dealing with Latin-American affairs and good neighborliness.

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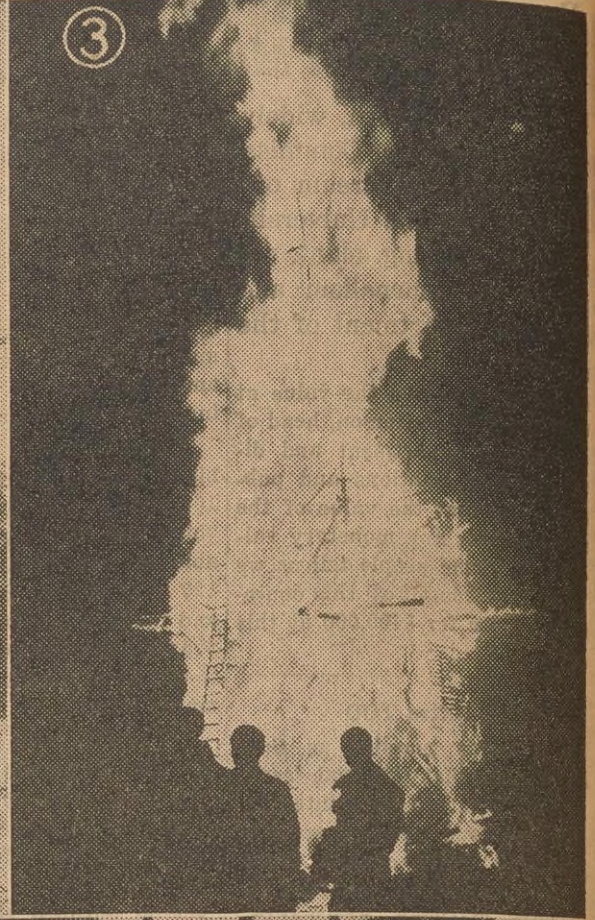
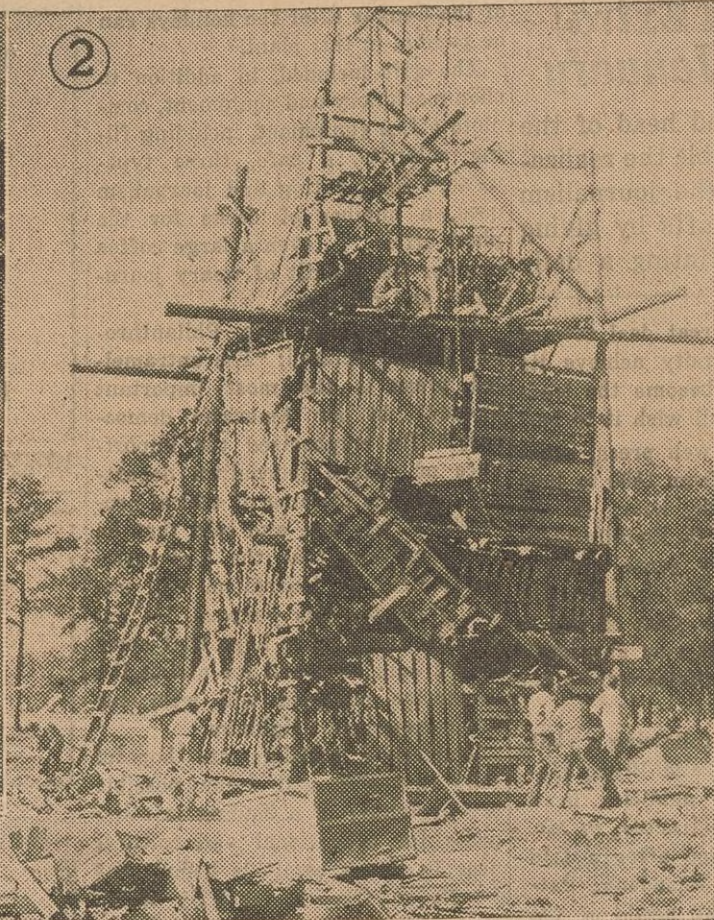
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HOMEcoming 1948 was the biggest Homecoming in the University of Houston's history. Wednesday, November 3, the Exes choose their first honorary Homecoming queen. Picture No. 1 shows Movie Actress Marjorie Reynolds receiving the honor from President Tom Menefee, while Homecoming chairman Jack J. Valenti looks on. 2. The giant 80-foot bonfire built by Alpha Phi Omega for

the Exes looked like this the afternoon of Friday, November 5. Picture No. 3 shows the same bonfire after it was ignited the same night in front of some 5,000 students and Ex-Students. 4. Mrs. H. R. Cullen presents the Exes Homecoming Queen Dolores Becker to football fans during half-time ceremonies. 5. A group of Exes relax at cocktail bar at Rice Hotel during Homecoming dance. They are left to right: Miss Beth Louise Wright, Mrs.

Florence Owen Carrigan, Mrs. Johnny Goyen, Mrs. G'Neil Arnold, Mrs. Randy Cockrell, Mrs. Jimmy Sibley and Mrs. Warren Parsons. 6. Homecoming Queen Dolores Becker is honored during Homecoming Dance. She was presented with a gold bracelet from Corrigan's Jewelry Co. by President Tom Menefee. Jack Valenti is pictured at extreme left. Behind Valenti is Freddy Gibbons, orchestra leader, who played for the dance.

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Showing lots of interest in Exes affairs is E. Frank Ochoa. He's with Republic Supply in the Nat'l Standard Bldg.

Louis J. Muery, Jr., '46, hied himself back into the Naval Reserve with the rank of Lt. Comdr. He and the missus reside in Norfolk where a job is not the most unusual sight in the world.

One of the U. of H.'s most charming and talented Exes is Lela Blount. She spent the summer in Little Theatre work in the L. T. of the Rockies in Greeley. There in the invigorating Colorado air she emoted with spectacular success in "Another Part of the Forest," Lillian Hellman's scripting of purulent Southern family.

Don Lewis has just returned from Detroit and the clacking of Burroughs machines, where he attended sales training course. He's back in the home village now and will whip out a column of neat figures for you on any type Burroughs's device.

Newest of the Exes is Addis M. Miller, Jr. He's with the North American Insurance Co.

Prettier than a Gainsborough is Bert Joanne Guest, daughter of Houston's popular fight promoter, Jimmie Guest. Mr. G. is packing them in these days with some whacking good fisticuffs. Witness December 14's card. . . .

Postcarding from Louisville, Kentucky is former campus big-wig John Allman. John is studying for the ministry.

Slimming down and wearing a hat like a real businessman is Billy Donaho. Known once for his gossamer antics on the dance floor, Bill is now one of the hotter salesmen for National Supply.

Mrs. Alpha R. Chelf McGee has an interesting job these days as secretary to Dr. Wright of the Wright Clinic. The Doc's hobby is

growing orchids, and natch with orchids as easy to buy as gold bullion, he's not too unhappy about things. Mrs. McGee is handling this branch of Ft. Knox for him.

Walter Simons, by the time your eyes have hit here, will have been married and have honeymooned in N'Orleans.

Denton Priest is another interested Ex. Denton lettered in baseball 2 years as a right nifty flinger for the varsity. He's a new Jaycee, too.

J. Halbert Berry, Jr., South Main State Bank's urbane and debonaire cashier, is a big familyman with a housefull of the little nippers. Hal, as he was known before he garbed himself in the Morganesque robes, is doing a wonderful job at the South Main vaulterie.

Did you ever stop to realize the imprint on this city of our ineluctable Mary Beth McDonald? Every time you pick up a newspaper, one of MBM's glossier looking models mesmerizes your eye. Miss M. did a noble job during homecoming, bless her lovely heart.

George Miller, whose paragraphs have nestled within these pages, is dickering with a nat'l mag for the rights to some of his yarns. . . . Geo. is heading for the big-time in Typewriter Row if his current negotiations are any indications.

Whatever happened to the first Varsity Venus, Jimmy Parker? Jimmy, a long-limbed, voluptuous beauty, is "long time no see," as far as the EXTRA is concerned.

Dave Haworth is up at Harvard these days, attending the Harvard Business School, famed citadel of the consolidated balance sheet, the preferred stock plan, and Olympian huckstering.

See where my old pal Felix M. Stanley has tossed his hat in the ring for State Representative. Stanley can be remembered by Exes as one of the organizers of the Pre-Law club. He now has his law degree. The Exes will be pulling for you Felix come election on January 8.

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Recently appointed district sales manager of the Fruit Bowl Bottling Company was Robert Louis "Tiger" Howard, B. S., 1948.

Bobby was head cheerleader at the university in 1947, was the first president of the Cavaliers, a fraternity composed of university students, and vice-chairman of the Frontier Fiesta, all student western show, in 1947.

He joined the local concern after receiving his degree in August.

The Fruit Bowl Bottling Company is distributors of "Spike It," "Fruit Bowl," and "Thrill" soft drinks. It is a subsidy of Green and Green, also of Houston.

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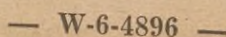
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Engagements and Marriages Dominate Social Calendar

BY MARGARET KRUEGER
Society editor

MARJORIE BECKER ENGAGED

January 28 has been set as the date of the marriage of Miss Marjorie Becker and Carl P. Houston, Jr. Their engagement was announced recently by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Becker. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Houston are the parents of the prospective bridegroom.

Miss Becker graduated from the University in June with a bachelor of science degree in psychology. She was a member of the Press club, Le Quartier Latin, the Psychology club, Cougar Collegians, Austin Exes, Red Masque Players, and the Presbyterian Student Association. She was also active in Varsity Varieties and Frontier Fiesta. Miss Becker is a member of the Beta Chi alumni.

Mr. Houston is a graduate student and assistant to the director of the School of Engineering. A full-time faculty member, he is also working on his master degree in business. He received a master of science degree in June. Mr. Houston is a member of Gon Bey.

BOWNTREE ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Mary Anne Rowntree to Robert Louis Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Howard has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rowntree. A February wedding is planned by the couple.

Miss Rowntree received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism in 1946. At the University she was a member of the Press club and was active on The Cougar and business manager of the 1946 Houstonian.

She was a member of Kappa Sigma Nu.

Mr. Howard graduated from the University in 1948 with a bachelor of science degree. He was head cheerleader in 1947-'48. He is a member of the Cavaliers.

EMMA JANE BRIGHAM TO WED

Miss Emma Jane Brigham's engagement to Daniel Andrew North, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. North of Venice, Cal., has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Brigham.

The prospective bride graduated from the University in June, receiving a bachelor of business administration degree. An active member of the Co-Ed club, she served as its secretary in 1947-'48. She was also a member of the Buckaroos and the Methodist Student Union. Miss Brigham is a member of Delta Sigma.

KATHERINE O'LEARY ENGAGED

Announcement of the engagement of Miss Katherine O'Leary to Reuben G. Rogerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben G. Rogerson, has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George O'Leary.

Miss O'Leary attended the University last year.

JANE MILLER TO WED

The engagement of Miss Jane Elizabeth Miller to Charles Eric Stoneburg Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stoneburg, has been announced by her aunt, Mrs. L. L. Donahue.

The prospective bride graduated from the University in 1947 with a bachelor of arts degree.

DORIS ESTER WED

Tuesday evening, November 26,

Miss Doris La Verne Ester became the bride of William Joseph Miller. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. George Cecil Pickell, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Miller are the parents of the groom.

The Rev. Thomas W. Summers officiated at the ceremony which took place in the church of St. John the Divine.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Walter Allen Ester wore an antique satin gown created on Grecian lines. It had a wide berth, inset of imported lace, and a cathedral length train.

The full length veil of imported illusion was held in place by a lace halo. She carried a bouquet of orchids and gardenias arranged in the design of a muff, with streamers of gardenias extending to the hem of her dress.

Miss Edith Christine Estes was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Betty Jo Speight and Miss Evelyn Blanchard. The attendants wore gowns of emerald green satin and carried muffs of American beauty roses.

Sam L. Olson, Jr. was best man. Groomsmen were Kingsley McHenry Jr. and Donald Anderson. Thomas A. Becker Jr., John McHenry, Dave Anderson and Fred Schmidt were ushers.

A reception was held at the home of the bride, 620 Shotwell. Miss Betty Jane Kiecke, Miss Jessie Carso and Miss Peggy Jones were members of the house party.

Mrs. Miller graduated from the University in 1948. She was a member of Delta Sigma. Mr. Miller is attending the University and is a member of Sigma Alpha Chi.

TURNER-SETTEGAST RITES SOLEMNIZED

Wednesday, December 1, Miss Cloye Lucille Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam I. Turner became the bride of Warren Evans Settegast in a double ring ceremony read in St. Stephens church.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion E. Settegast.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an original suit of navy wool crepe designed with pen-

cil slim lines, a Gainsborough blue hat and navy accessories.

Miss Mildred Ann Hellbusch, the bride's only attendant, wore a beige suit with a brown hat and accessories.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans the couple will live in La Porte. The bride attended the University of Houston and was a member of Kappa Sigma Nu. The groom graduated from the University in 1948. He is a member of the Cavaliers.

FOOTBALL STAR MARRIED

Sacred Heart church was the scene of the recent marriage of Miss Vivian Liles and Tony Ditta. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Liles of Elida, New Mexico, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ditta of Houston.

Mrs. Ditta attended school in Elida. Mr. Ditta is a former student at the University, where he was an active member of the Varsity "H" association.

Miss Bennie Ditta was maid of honor.

Lee Ditta was his brother's best man.

The couple left for a short wedding trip following the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Ditta are now making their home at 1914 Smith.

SUDBURY-ALSTON RITES SOLEMNIZED

Two former University students were married last week when Miss Genia Sudbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Sudbury, became the bride of Morgan Kimbrough Alston Jr., son of Mrs. M. K. Alston and the late Mr. Alston.

The double ring ceremony was solemnized in Grace Methodist church.

Miss Joyce Alston was maid of honor and bridesmaid was Miss Joyce Neal.

Best man was Ed Ballard. Lyle Calvert Jr. served as groomsman.

Mrs. Alston Jr. attended the University and was graduated from Sam Houston State Teachers College in Huntsville. Mr. Alston Jr. received his bachelor of science degree from the University last spring.

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Ex-Student Tells 'Extra' of Customs in India

By SHO-CHUNG CHENG

"I think that it would be a fine idea if women could have two or three husbands; but seems it doesn't work that way," says Mrs. Boots Merritt Nasholds in her recent message from India to the EXtra after she realized the peculiar custom that most of the Indian men usually have two wives—one a married wife and another a 'keeping' wife. Of course, both polygamy and polyandry have been the practices in some Oriental countries.

Mrs. Nasholds, an Ex-student at the U. of H. during 1940-42 who went to Hong Kong to join her husband last January, enjoyed three New Year occasions within 4 months. She left New York just when our New Year was over, took a delight in Chinese New Year upon her arrival in Hong Kong and participated in Burmese New Year celebration on April 17th when she made a trip there.

She got wet during the celebration, for the Burmese threw gallons of water on her. "Water is thrown on everyone," she explains, "not just a cup full either. Believe

me; you are drenched from head to toe to make you bright and prosperous by virtue of the Lord Buddha."

It was "Easter Parade" in the East. Men and women gaily dressed and carrying earthen jars or cans of water on their heads or shoulders, were seen lined up for twenty blocks awaiting their turn to enter the Pagoda—a very religious and holy tradition! One Pagoda built in 588 B. C. is reported to be 968 feet above sea level and from the platform to top measures 375 feet. It cost about 13,300,000 dollars for placing the 50,000 gold plates on the top portion of the building for worship.

As to shopping for dresses, Mrs. Nasholds says, "There are no ready made clothes here at all." Her Indian tailor make her clothes, "but his finished product generally looks like a Macy's basement special," she says.

This is indeed a tough problem, but she solved it by wearing Burmese dresses, not because she liked that attire but for the simple reason that it cleared up the problem of what to wear and preserved her

clothes supply as well. She was brave enough to wear it shopping although she felt uncomfortable because of the peculiar fashion of the dress, which fits the narrow shoulders of Burmese women due to binding themselves with a tight bodice from childhood. She is the only American in Rangoon that wears Burmese dress and the natives seem to approve highly.

She tries to do everything the natives do except the eating of doorian, a fruit of strong smell that grows there. Another fruit that solved a mystery of some years standing for her is the marian, which grew in her grandfather's garden in Augustine, Texas, in 1934. It has the size and shape of an egg and when it is ripe it is similar in color and taste to the mango, only a bit more sour.

Yet living in India isn't too comfortable. Among the food items you would have to miss most are beef and milk. "Even in canned foods there are no American products. Everything is either English or Australian due to the peculiar export import laws."

Future Exes

Carrie Sharon Cochran—Born November 4; Weight: 8 pounds, 3 ounces... Mother—Odean Spear Cochran, Journalism 1947. Father—Art Cochran, art major at U. of H.

Pamela Patterson—See page 16.

Beverly Kay Simmons—See page 16.

Norman Kent Whitaker—Born July 22; Weight: 7 pounds, 10 ounces... Mother—Velma Galny Whitaker, former editor of The Cougar and The EXtra. Graduated in 1944 with B.S. in English and Art. Father—Thomas Norman Whitaker graduated from Rice in 1941 with degree in Electrical Engineering. Now teaching Engineering at U. of H.

Alice Poorman St. Cyr—Born October 26; Weight: 6 pounds, 3 ounces. Mother—La Delle Poorman St. Cyr attended U. of H. in 1945 and 1946. Father—Benjamin Frank St. Cyr, Jr. graduated in June 1948. Now working on masters degree at U. of H.

Frank Monroe In New Department At Insurance Firm

Ex-Student Frank H. Monroe, student at the University in 1940 and 1941, has been promoted by the Pioneer American Insurance Company.

He heads up the newly-created accident and health department for the company.

After serving with the Air Corps for four years, three of which was spent in England, the 28-year-old Ex-Student entered the insurance business after his discharge in 1945.

He and his wife, Georgia, also an Ex-Student, live at 6403 Alleghany.

EX-STUDENT KILLED —

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and at about 30 feet from the ground, apparently lost control of the plane, naval officials said.

The plane fell off on one wing, crashed into three planes parked near the runway.

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Fiesta to Have Permanent Site

By ELMER BERTELSEN

For the first time in its brief history, the Frontier Fiesta, annual all-student show, has a permanent site.

A stripe of approximately five acres bordering St. Bernard street in the northeast corner of the campus was given to the Fiesta Association by President Oberholtzer earlier this year.

The western town will entertain students, Ex-Students, and other friends of the University at its new location from April 6 to 9.

Harrey Scott, graduate student, is general chairman of this year's fifth edition, expected to be the biggest show yet. He replaces Bill Sparr.

Tom Menefee, president of the Ex-Students Association, has announced that the traditional coffee bar will again be sponsored by the Exes.

"We expect loyal Ex-Students to come out and help us build our concession," Menefee said, explaining that undergraduates are too busy with their own shows to give Ex-Students a "free ride."

"Most Exes want it this way," he said. "We'll give you the construction dates later. We can work a few

evenings and have a fine coffee bar."

Johnny Goyen, executive secretary of the Ex-Students, said he predicts the show to live up to its boast as "the greatest college show on earth."

"From the way the planning is going, I don't see how it can miss," he said.

Goyen should know. He was chairman of the 1947 Fiesta.

Meanwhile Scott has named most of his top chairman.

David Halphen, senior Psy. student has been named vice chairman and Lee Krauss will be liaison officer. Others include Raymond Crocker, Betty Box, Donald Lewis, Kirt Harriss, Millard "Willie" Williams, James Womack, Betty Lou David, and Cliff Horn.

Construction of the show is already underway, Scott said.



PLANS FOR '49 FIESTA—Two of the busiest students on the University campus these days are David Halphen, left, vice-chairman of the Frontier Fiesta, and Harrey Scott, chairman of the all-student production, scheduled April 6-9 on a new five-acre site in the northeast corner of the campus. The coffee bar concession, traditional with the Exes, will again be part of the big event.

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Like almost all University projects, construction on the Ezekiel Cullen Administration building is breaking speed records. "Our work on the building is more than one fourth completed," A. G. Gardener, superintendent of the job, told the Extra recently.

Two passenger elevators and a freight elevator will be among the outstanding features of the new administration building, which will be completed in November, 1949, Mr. Gardener said.

Ex-Students will soon be lost in a maze of new buildings when they return for a visit to the campus. The new \$9,000,000 building program of the University is well under way, President E. E. Oberholtzer told the board of regents at their December meeting.

The cornerstone of the Ezekiel Cullen building will be laid January 21.

Plans for the new library building will probably be ready in three months and contracts will be let soon after.

The junior college building and the petroleum engineering building are in the preliminary planning stage.

The physical education and health building, assigned to the late Lamar Cato, architect, will be reassigned soon.

More important to the faculty than these features will be the "dream" fourth floor. It is to be exclusively a faculty floor. A canyon, reading room, library, one men's and one women's lounge, and a recreation room will highlight the faculty's own fourth floor, Mr. Gardener said.

Crowded classes will be almost non-existent with the completion of 34 new classrooms, most of

which will be on the second floor. In addition to classrooms, the new Administration building will house four lecture rooms, Mr. Gardener said.

An 1800 seat auditorium, the stage complete with a trap door, and three spacious dressing rooms highlight the complete staging facilities found in the auditorium section of the structure, Mr. Gardener said.

As an added thought, Mr. Gardener said that to the left side of the stage there will be a special dressing room for quick changes only.

The building itself will consist of a basement, ground floor, and five floors above the ground floor. Two wings on each side of the structure will be two stories high, Mr. Gardener stated.

"The corner stone will be laid definitely by January 21, 1949," Mr. Gardener said.

There are approximately 65 men working on the job and it is progressing on schedule. Delayed shipments of steel would be the major

factor in any slacking of work on the building, Mr. Gardener said.

Another outstanding feature of the building is the campus post office, to be located on the ground floor.

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The Cougars won practically all their football games last season—on paper, that is. This fact was discovered when public relations statisticians Bruce Underwood and Ben Fortson compiled data on the 1948 Cougar gridgers.

Football season is over for practically everyone else, but the pencil pushers in the public relations office have found that the University gridgers outrushed, outpassed, and outgained all their opponents.

The Cougars gained an average of 161.4 yards per game while holding opponents to an average of 154.2. In the air Alan Neveux and associates hurled 143 passes, completing 60 for a 42 percent average. Six were touchdown tosses, and only 14 were intercepted. Opponents passed 111 times for 24 completions, averaging 21.6 percent good, six for touchdowns and 10 interceptions. The Cougars gained 626 yards through the air, opponents 623.

Total offense figures illustrate a Red and White monopoly of the ball in most games. Cougar backs ran 657 plays and net gained 2438 yards while opposing teams handled

the pighide 590 times, picking up 2320 yards.

Cougar punting outdistanced opponents' booting by about the width of a heifer's whisker. The Cougars kicked 76 times for 2760 yards, averaging 36.3 yards per kick. Opponents kicked 86 times for 3123 yards, averaging only inches less. The Cougars had two punts blocked during the season, and blocked a couple for the opposition.

PAT Record Bad

The University team was off on its point after touchdown attempts, missing eight of 22 tries. Opponents missed only five of 26 attempts. The Cougars kicked one field goal; opponents also kicked one.

In spite of their edge in gaining ground, the Cougars came off with the short end of the season score—149 to 183.

Neveux was high scorer for the University and third in the Lone Star conference with 39 points, including four touchdowns, one field goal, and 12 extra points. Max Clark, the Gilmer galloper, was close behind with six touchdowns and 36 points.

Individual rushing saw Jack Gwin

take the lead with 366 yards gained in 78 carries. Clark was second with 71 totes for 304 yards. Aubrey Baker, hard-driving full back from Bay City wound up in third place with 220 yards for 47 carries, while Neveux was next with a gain of 209 yards in 93 carries.

Baker had the best average per carry with 4.8 yards, while Half-back Robby (Bo) Campbell of Mt. Vernon breathed down the leader's neck with a 4.7 average for 39 runs. Campbell totaled 184 yards rushing for the season.

Neveux led the Cougars' passing with 56 complete in 116 attempts, a gain of 549 yards, five touchdowns and ten interceptions. Jolly Hartsell, former Victoria high and Schreiner institute star, was second with 13 of 26 attempts complete for 164 yards. Two of Jolly's tosses were intercepted.

Neveux led in total offense with 758 yards gained in 209 plays. Gwin followed with a gain of 357 yards for 78 plays.

Staggs Grabs 'Em

End Ed Staggs of Kilgore made off with University pass receiving honors, grabbing 17 tosses for 234

yards and a pair of TDs. Gwin was next in this department with eight catches for 107 yards and one touchdown.

Clark returned 13 kickoffs for 290 yards, averaging 22.3. Neveux returned six kickoffs for 127 yards, averaging 21.1. Gwin was third in that phase with five returns for 66 yards, or a 13-yard average.

Also Clark added to his prestige by returning 19 punts for 275 yards or a 14.5 yard average. Gwin returned ten punts for 129 yards, averaging 12.9. Hartsell was third with three punt returns for 61 yards, an average of 20.3.

Little Johnny O'Hara led the Leemen in pass interceptions with three for 19 yards, while Charles (Chuck) Brightwell of Alvin, Center Bill Cook, End Frank Roddy of Jacksonville, End Maurice (Mo) Elliott of Gladewater, and Hartsell stole one each. Elliott raced 48 yards to score on his interception.

In line play all-conference Tackle Cecil Towns, the 220-pounder from Salem, led some surprisingly strong defenses against several highly favored teams. In at least four games Towns pulled individual plays in which he set the enemy ball carrier back 15 yards each time.

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Cecil Towns Makes All-Conference

Cecil Towns, rugged University of Houston tackle and one of the team's co-captains made the all-conference mythical team selected by the Lone Star conference coaches recently. Cougar backs Alan Neveux and Jack Gwin were named on the second string all-conference team. Guard Bill Moeller, center Bill Cook and back Max Clark of the Cougars earned honorable mention on the coaches' selections.

Broken Leg Stops Ex-Gridder in Sandlot Grid Tilt

Fate has finally caught up with George (No Legs) Nohavitzka, the Cougar football team's great guard in 1946 and 1947. The squat 5'6" former Cougar lineman, who went through his entire college grid career without receiving a serious injury, broke his leg in an amateur football contest recently. Nohavitzka, who is now coaching high school ball at Markham, Texas, spent three years in the Navy before coming to the University in 1946. George played high school football for Victoria and El Campo. He was named on the all-district team in 1938 and 1939 while playing at El Campo, and was a member of the Catholic state champion Victoria squad junior college.



TEAMMATES GATHER around Cecil Towns to read about the big tackle being selected on the Lone Star conference coaches' all-conference team. Towns, co-captain of the Cougar football squad, is the first University gridman to place on the all-conference eleven. The 19-year old, 220-pound junior letterman played sensational defensive and offensive ball for the Red and White all season. The "Salem Flash" was a unanimous choice for The Cougar's all-conference team. From left to right are David Gregg, standing, Bo Campbell, kneeling, Towns, and Jolly Hartsell.

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Hardin college, recent addition to the Lone Star Conference, will add prestige to the conference, in the opinion of University of Houston public relations officials. Hardin, 1947 co-champion of the long-powerful Texas conference, was admitted to the LSC in its annual meeting in Dallas recently.

The sports news section of the University of Houston public relations office mailed a letter of welcome to the newest competitor immediately on announcement of the news.

Wichita Falls, whose population is almost 80,000, is a sports-minded city that likes for its teams to win. Hardin college has 2600 students and plays football in a stadium that seats 20,000 fans. Its head coach is Billy Stamps, former Rose Bowl football lineman for Southern Methodist university. F. D. (Red) Rutledge, once a star athlete at Texas Wesleyan College, is athletic director, while Elmer Brown, one of the famous Brown twins of North Texas state college, coaches track.

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The Line, monthly publication of the Tennessee Gas Transmission Co., which is edited by Ex-Student board member Walter Waldhauser, was recently awarded two national honors in the multi-color division.

The Society of Associated Editors, formerly known as the Southwestern Association of Industrial Editors, which is composed of 525 members in thirteen states and Canada, chose The Line for two high awards. In a letter to Waldhauser, the Association bestowed the "Award of General Improvement" and the "Award of Excellence" on The Line. The letter read in part, "In recognition of the exceptional accomplishment in appearance, editorial quality and appropriateness of purpose, etc."

The Line is sent to all employees of Tennessee Gas all over the United States.

The judges who chose The Line for the two honors were composed of Colorado newspaper, magazine, personnel and public relations men, Editor Waldhauser said.

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University Cougars Open Conference Basketball Bid January 10

The University of Houston basketball team has a man-sized job this year to match the records of the first three seasons. The Cougars in the first two years of play captured two Lone Star Conference championships and last year finished just below the three teams tied for first. They open their SC bid against Sam Houston

State on January 10. Game time is set at 8:15 p.m. in the Public School field house across from the University campus.

The Cougars will open their conference campaign with three lettermen from last year's squad missing. They are Forward Billy Jo Steakley, Guard Charlie Carpenter, and Center, Lynn Smith.

To offset these losses Coach Alen Pasche has turned up with a fine crop of freshman basketeters. These newcomers include Bunky Bradford, highest scoring high school cager in the nation at Arp last year; Royce Ray, 6-foot 4-inch center, and his twin, Rowan, a forward, of Bulard; Gilbert Luton, 6-foot 2-inch forward from San Jacinto; Tommy Reed of Monroe; Shirley Frazier of Pasadena; John (Skinny) Davis of Milroy; and Lonnie Franklin of Sam Houston.

Returning lettermen are Bill McPhail, dependable guard; polished Louis Brown, who is expected to mark the Red and White attack from a guard position; Dick Berg, quick pivoting center; Marvin Reichle, Jessie Harper, Connie Pothies, and L. D. Hendrix, all smooth forwards.

Coach Pasche's major problem is not a material shortage. Rather, it is that of molding his players into a confident, smooth, resourceful unit that will function well under pressure. The Cougars may not win the



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 February 19 — *Trinity University — Houston
 February 21 — *Southwest Texas State — Houston
 * Lone Star Conference Games

Neveux's Passing Pushes University Into NCAB Annals

Alan Neveux's forward passing has pushed the University of Houston into the National Collegiate Athletic bureau statistics for the first time this season.

The high calibre of Lone Star conference football is illustrated in the figures, since all conference schools are represented in the release.

In figures received from the bureau Monday, Neveux ranked 18th in individual forward passing among gridmen of smaller colleges in the nation. In the first nine games of the season Neveux attempted 92 passes with 38 complete for 418 yards. Three of the tosses were for touchdowns. Only nine were intercepted.

The Lone Star conference's superman is Bobby Griffin of East Texas state, who stood 16th in individual total offense, 8th in punting, and ninth in forward passing. In 262 plays he gained 910 yards. His punting average was 42 yards. In 137 pass attempts he completed 54 for 722 yards and six touchdowns. Fourteen of his heaves were intercepted.

The conference's leading scorer, Richard Nutt of North Texas state, was 16th in individual rushing with 618 yards gained in 112 plays. Gerald Levermann of Trinity was 56th in individual rushing with 454 yards in 179 tries.

Sam Houston state is on the bottom in conference standings, but her John Williams ranked sixth in pass receiving with 26 catches for 349 yards and four touchdowns.

Trinity held 7th and Southwest Texas state, conference champion, 9th in team defense. Trinity allowed an average gain of only 146.4 yards per opponent per game, while Southwest Texas allowed 149.8.

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Conference Officials Reject Bid For Entry Into Southwest Circuit

Athletic director Harry Fouke said this week that the University would continue to work toward a goal of membership in the Southwest conference. SWC officials rejected the University's bid for membership at their annual winter meeting Saturday.

"We were glad of this opportunity to let the conference know of our desire and intention to become a part of their organization," Mr. Fouke said.

President E. E. Oberholtzer presented the University's application for membership. Mr. Fouke, Dr. Frank Stovall, athletic faculty member, and Clyde Lee, head football coach, supplemented the application. Texas Tech and Hardin Simmons also applied for membership.

The SWC faculty committee voted not to expand at this time and also passed a motion expressing its de- years.

Mr. Fouke said that the University not to receive applications for membership for a period of three

ity officials were cordially received and that the nice reception accorded them by the conference was very much appreciated.

With the moratorium for membership in the SWC on for at least three years Fouke stated that the University would meanwhile make every effort to present a schedule offering the best competition possible.

H. R. Cullen, chairman of the board of regents, said that the application for admission to the Southwest conference should further evidence the University's determination to provide the students and alumni of the University and the people of Houston with a well balanced program on a par with any college in the nation.

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Beverly Kay, a 7-pound 9-ounce daughter, was born early Monday, Nov. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer R. Simmons, at St. Joseph's hospital.

Simmons, a graduate of Tulsa University, is Assistant football coach at the U. of H.

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"The Official 1948 Guide," "Football Digest," and "The Quarterback," all have season schedules and other information released by the PRO about the Cougars.

The PRO realized a two-year-old ambition in November when the Sunday New York Times sports sections printed University of Houston football scores.

The Chicago Tribune had printed several University athletic scores, but the Times had never printed any before last month, public relations officials said.

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Now track coach at the University of Houston, Mr. Patterson was a world champion hurdler just after graduation from Rice Institute in 1939. He received the Master of Education degree at the University of Houston in 1947. Mrs. Patterson is the former Miss Lois Whitley of Merkel, Texas.

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There are seven members of the 1946 and 1947 teams who hold down coaching positions in Texas. Tom Ditta, San Jacinto immortal and member of last season's forward wall for the Cougars, is head coach at Hamilton junior high in Houston.

Henry Gomez produces grid talent for Aldine junior high. George (No Legs) Nohavitzka is mentor at Markham. Roy Wallace heads the coaching staff at Cleveland high, and Evan Weaver sends out the team from Bay City junior high. Prentice Jackson, member of the 1946 squad coaches at Woodland Acres junior high in Galena Park.

An ex Cougar basketball player, Frank Akin, who lettered at forward in 1946, is assistant coach at La Porte high.