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## Classes to Nominate Yearbook "Vanity Fair" Beauties Wednesday

### Houstonian Revue Will Be Dated January 8

Beauties to appear in the Vanity Fair Section of the 1938 Houstonian will be nominated Wednesday night at 8 p. m., according to Algerine Allen, editor of the yearbook.

Classes will be dismissed at 8 p. m. and all Freshmen will meet in room 110, Sophomores in room 118, Juniors in 120, and Seniors in 222.

Each class will select the four most beautiful girls and they will be presented at the Houstonian Review, January 8.

Pictures will be made of the girls by Elva Cockrell staff photographer. These pictures will be sent to some well known artist or movie star. He will select the most beautiful eight girls, whose pictures will appear in the Houstonian.

The first Houstonian Review was held last year, at which time twenty six of the most popular and beautiful girls participated. Eight were selected for the Favorite Section of the 1937 annual.

Those who appeared last year were Bonnie Luscher, Louise Campbell, Dorothy Hester, Algerine Allen, Geraldine Bentley, Evelyn Schroeder, Betty Martin, and Nelda Eaves.

Following the Review a dance will be given honoring those who participated in the Review.

Class meetings will be dismissed at 8:40 and the student body will meet in the auditorium for the annual Christmas program.

"The Flattering Word" will be presented by the Red Masque cast of the National Collegiate Dramatic Society. This play was presented at the State Conference at Waxahachie in November.

Those who participate in this one-act show are James Julian, Algerine Allen, Edythe Reddick, Stillman Taylor and Evelyn Nicoll.

"This will be the last assembly before the Christmas holidays," Dean Dupre stated. "Day School will meet regularly Thursday, but night school classes will be dismissed at 5:30 Thursday."

## Spanish Club Plans Yule Season Party

In accordance with the yuletide season, El Foro Espanol has issued invitations for a Christmas party, December 26.

Mrs. Floy P. Soule, sponsor of the club, will be hostess at her home, 6017 Ardmore. Guests will arrive at 7:30 p. m.

Decorations will carry out the holiday theme. Other arrangements for the social are planned as a surprise for the guests.

## Engineers To Hear H. T. Elrod Tonight

Henry T. Elrod will deliver the address to the Society of Engineers tonight on the subject of "The Future of the Engineers," at 7:30, in the old auditorium. Elrod is an engineer for the Houston Independent School board.

Preceding the guest speaker, a short business meeting will be held in order to discuss society keys.

### "Slow But Sure" Safe Motto for New U.

"Slow but sure," still remains the only safe method of approach into the bewildering maze and "Red Tape" of the University construction.

"Bids will be reopened and advertising will begin on January 20. . . if no extension of time is granted by the heirs of the estate," says Dr. W. W. Kemmerer, vice-president of the University of Houston. Something definite towards the construction of the new building will begin after January 20.

Thus, that which was only a hazy dream may at last become a reality. To those, who have worked and planned, it will be a dream come true.

## STATISTICS IMPLY HOUSTON'S NEED FOR UNIVERSITY

Statistics compiled with regard to the economic status of the University last week showed clearly why the city of Houston needs the University.

According to the report released, the regularly employed, 70 per cent men and 51 per cent women, indicates public service to employers.

Registration total of 468 students for 1927 as compared with this year's total of 1513 students is further proof of the need of the University. Summer students for 1927 numbered 232 whereas for 1937, the figure was 618.

Out of the student body, 54 per cent of the students have begun secondary education after being out of school for a year or more. The University of Houston meets the need for the citizens of Houston who want to increase their education, review, or make a new start.

Tally on students who are unable to attend college out of the city shows 39 per cent under the age of 21, 29 per cent between the age of 21 and 26, and 32 per cent over the age of 26.

## "First Lady" Given Excellent Portrayal; Every One a Star in Amusing Political Farce

With a presentation that far surpassed any previous effort of the Red Masque Players, the show "First Lady," by Kauffman and Dayton, was received with tumultuous applause Wednesday and Thursday. It was easily the best show that the dramatic organization has put on.

Evelyn Nicol, Mavis Anderson, Virgie Oelrich, and little June Carter were outstanding in the roles that they portrayed. Carrying on a dog-eat-dog feud that was climaxed with a surprise ending in the last act, Anderson and Nicol, as wives of a supreme court justice and secretary of state, respectively, gave remarkable performances.

June "Honey Chile" Carter was particularly cute as the young niece of the glamorous Nicol. Her heavy, sugary Southern drawl drew a large share of the laughs given the performance. Virgie Doss Oelrich, as the militant leader of the Women's Peace, Purity, Patriotism League, literally had the audience in the aisles as she waddled up and down

## SQUIRES SETTLE ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING CLUB

### Outline Purpose and Organization Plan in Constitution

The new constitution for the U. of H. Squires will definitely settle and state the purpose and manner of organization of this men's club, which was the subject of intense discussion during first weeks of the semester. The club members took the document under consideration at a meeting Monday, and after several corrections and improvements, forwarded it to the office for approval.

They believe that this constitution will clear up the misunderstanding by students or other interested parties as to the objects and standards of the club, and silence all possible objection. With a stated purpose "to further educational and social opportunities at the University of Houston," the constitution provides for membership opportunity to any

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## Parker Entertains Aesculapian Club At Yuletide Party

Aesculapian club members and their dates will be entertained with a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Mabel Parker December 19.

The Christmas party will be one of the outstanding club socials for this year, according to Aesculapian members. President E. A. Snapp appointed Mrs. Charlotte Hogan, Elmer Hamilton, and Marjorie Anderson to be on the entertainment committee. Mrs. Snapp and Mrs. Jean Gaunt will preside over the refreshment committee. A Christmas tree will occupy one corner of the room and gifts will be exchanged. A special gift will be given to the club.

Members of the Aesculapian club were entertained Tuesday evening with an informal coffee at the home of Mrs. Jean Gaunt. Preceding the entertainment, a business meeting was held.

## Sophomore Christmas Dance To Initiate Holiday Season

### "20 Years of Swing" Offers Opportunity to Student Stars

By Roger Jeffery

The new musical show, being staged by students of the University, will hold its first meeting Monday night at 9:30 in the old auditorium.

The story and theme of the show will be related to all those who attend the meeting and parts will be assigned to those who would like to do their stuff.

The proceeds of this whole show will go to the new student loan fund.

The Asburys have been engaged to teach all the dance crazes and prof-Robert Talley will be the proud director of fanciful dramatics—Now if any of you are holding out and know someone with talent, PLEASE see Talley or yours truly.

Some of the dances to be featured in the show will be the Charleston, blackbottom, big apple, truckin', breakaway, bolero, and numerous other great dances of the past twenty years.

## Senior Class Plans For January Party Set up Tentatively

Tentative plans for a party to be held January 8 at the Y. W. C. A. were discussed at the Senior meeting, Monday night. Although all the committees were named for the affair, no appointments were made.

The absence of C. B. Doolan, president and Mr. Warren A. Rees, sponsor made it necessary to discuss all matters pertaining to the affair, but take no definite action.

Getting off to a slow start after the meeting opened, the seniors aimlessly discussed various plans for entertainment until the party idea was broached. The group discussed plans but tabled everything to a later meeting.

## John Sullivan's Music And Yuletide Motif Feature Program

Arabia Temple will be the scene tonight of the annual Christmas dance, a semi-formal affair sponsored by the Sophomore class of the University of Houston. John Sullivan's orchestra will play for the event, which begins at 10 o'clock with an admission charge of \$1.00, couple or stag.

The hall will be ornate with elaborate decoration of holiday motif, featuring the holly, pine and mistletoe of a traditional Christmas atmosphere. A great deal of preparation by the dance committees in their selection of hall, orchestra, and the elaborate designing of decorations have been exercised. Coupled with the informal "all-school" floor show, consisting mainly of sophomore students, the dance promises an entirely enjoyable evening of entertainment.

John Sullivan's orchestra is well known to college dancers, for its numerous performances at University of Houston social affairs, while the Arabia Temple offers one of the smoothest floors in the city.

Joe Camp, president of the 1940 class, is in charge of the dance committee, with assistance by a group of sophomores including Horace Booth, John Bowling, John Garcia, Vernon Kelly, James Jordan, Ted O'Leary, Jean Ray, and John Hardy. Advance ticket sales are reported to be unusually good by members of the ticket committee, and assures the affair of being a financial as well as a social success.

## Slagle Lauds Faith In B.B.A. Club Speech

Mr. R. J. Slagle, president of the Houston Watch Company and past president of the Salesmanship club of Houston, addressed the B. B. A. club Saturday night at the Y. W. C. A., basing his speech on a book by Ray Sherman.

"If You Want To Get Ahead," according to Mr. Slagle, have faith in yourself, the product, and the firm represented. Initiative, willingness to work without prodding of the employer, and the ability to follow instructions are essential.

Mr. Slagle expressed the willingness of the Salesmanship club to cooperate with the University of Houston by recommending its course to salesmen.

## Vern to Reorganize U. of H. French Club

Jules A. Vern, instructor, announced that the French club would reorganize. Students studying or who have studied French are invited to attend the meeting Monday at 9:30 p. m.

The purpose of the club is to promote interest in French. Their objectives will be to secure French movies for the club members, to bring prominent men to the University of Houston to lecture in French, and to start a French radio program.

Officers will be elected at this meeting. Membership in the new organization will be limited.

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

"It has been suggested by one of our members that the faculty wish each other a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year by contributing to the Goodfellows the amount of money they would ordinarily spend for Christmas cards, stamps, etc., rather than send the traditional greetings. A Goodfellow's bottle has been placed on the counter to receive these donations. I feel that this is an excellent idea and I shall wish you all A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR in this manner."

—Dean N. K. Dupree.

## SANTA CLAUS SECOND

Christmas is a time when some people buy things they don't want, at prices they can't afford, to give to people they don't like because they are afraid someone is going to give them something.

Luckily, most of us are not that type. We are not cynical, or soured on our fellowmen. To the happy majority of the students, the holidays, of all times in the year, are fullest of gladness. We are filled with Christmas spirit, and some, we fear, are filled with Christmas spirits as well.

But let us remember, above all, that this is not only the great day of Santa Claus' annual visit, but it is also the celebration of the birth of Christ. Christmas is primarily a religious festival—yet we think of it primarily as a time of enjoyment of worldly things. Only as an afterthought, if at all, do we remember it as the most sacred day, next to Easter Sunday, of the whole year.

When we observe Christmas, 1937, let us appreciate it to the fullest extent by observing it in the manner in which it is intended.

## AN APPEAL

Health leaders have joined clergymen, civic groups and others in strongly indorsing the Houston Anti-Tuberculosis League, which serves all of Harris County with an unrelenting crusade for health, and have asked the public to strengthen this work by more liberal purchase of the Christmas Seals which make the work possible.

Unless there is a more widespread response to the Seal sale, the many sided health program will enter a new year facing many demands for saving human life and for rebuilding human health, and will have inadequate funds to meet the needs, Dr. Elva A. Wright, president of the league, declared.

"It seems to me to be fitting that the Christmas season, anniversary of the birth of the Great Physician, should be used as an occasion for a health crusade," Dr. Wright said. "The man of Galilee came that men 'might have life and have it more abundantly.' He restored their bodies as well as redeemed their souls.

"Good health properly is a fundamental plank in the gospel of Christian service. God-fearing men ought not to forget that the Son of God brought a gospel of mercy, and set the example for healing and ministering to the needs of the sick. "Should not our spirit of giving during the season of His birth be directed at giving also for health?"

The Houston Anti-Tuberculosis League is asking for a chance to save the lives of many, to rebuild the health of thousands, to bring greater protection to all. Liberal purchase of Christmas Seals will make this possible.

## JACK'S A DULL BOY

Rally around, all you Cougars, and let's have a little more activity at our student activities. The holidays are literally filled with social events sponsored by various University organizations, and anyone who does not engage in them is missing one of the most vital essentials of his college life.

Part-time students, too many of whom come to the school merely to attend classes, will feel much more like they belong to the institution, if they, also, will find time for activities. A student who did not see "First Lady" missed an excellent entertainment, which will be remembered long after all but the very best movies have been forgotten. The frequent dances presented by the Squires and other clubs bring a most enjoyable time for those who attend them, and many more people will find pleasure awaiting them if they come.

There are more social events besides these which are mentioned here. Won't you take part in them? If you go once, you will never have to be asked again.

Because returns are not yet complete on the Cougar poll of sex-course opinion, publication of the results will be delayed until the next edition, when an analysis will be made of the sentiment of the student body as indicated by their vote.

## Derelict Denounces Educational System

By Skip

(A short short story)

(Editor's Note: But not, I fear, short enough!)

The tramp sat on the curb bordering the campus and surveyed the small crowd around him. His cheery good-nature and willingness to talk had drawn a group of University students who had been waiting for the night's classes to begin.

The old derelict gave a knowing wink to the collegians assembled about him as he lighted his battered corn cob pipe. A master at story telling, the likable loafer made every movement as deliberate as possible, building suspense to its greatest height; and then with the pipe burning at its smelly best, proceeded with the story his listeners anticipated.

"Why, you young uns thinks you are doin' somethin' fine tryin' to cram yore haid with somethin' thet you all knows good an' well you ain't never goin' to use once you gits out uv school. Now think it over an' see ef I ain't right."

The old reprobate gave a broad, if somewhat toothless grin, and fingered his hip pocket longingly. The pocket usually contained his "snake-bite serium."

"You know, I bet you kids wouldn't believe me ef I told ya thet I wuz once president uv a collich in me younger days, now would ya?" The following snickers answered his question without need of words. "Well, I wuz. Now don't git me wrong. I don't mean thet I wuz th' head uv one uv these modern institu-shuns of larning. No sir, not me! I got me a brand-new idea and started me own school. Instead uv tryin' to make students REMEMBER things, my school taught them how to FERGET!"

The loafer paused in his story while he annihilated a section of a line of ants with the deadly juice from the pipe.

"How many times," he continued, "Did you want to ferget somthin' an' couldn't? Like thet time thet little blonde made a chump out uv ya. Well, thet wuz the purpose of me school. I tried to teach the kids to ferget all or part uv whut they knew."

"Now don't think thet is easy. Foist, I would git the kids to think uv somethin' along the same line as that whut they wuz tryin' to ferget. Then they would think uv somethin' a little more different than whut they wuz tryin' to ferget, and so on until they had completely fergot whut they wuz tryin' to."

The old man halted his story long enough to destroy another section of the line of ants.

"And don't think I didn't git some good results. I had one student come to me who wuz a half-wit. And would you believe it, before I got through with him he was slightly less than a quarter-wit? Thet wuz a plenty tough job, too."

"But let me tell you young uns, the pride of me heart wuz me valedictorian. Ah, whut a student he wuz. so good thet he fergot whut he came to school to ferget before he had even enrolled!"

A listener interrupted the storyteller for the first time. "But if your school was so good, why aren't you still running it," he asked?

"Thet wuz jest the trouble, sonny," the derelict replied. "My school wuz too much uv a success. I did such good work, I had to give up me school and declare bankruptcy. I would send out me bill fer the tuition every month, and those students had been trained so well that doggone if they didn't ferget even to pay their bills! Does one uv you kind gentlemen have a dime sos I kin git me a cup uv coffee?"

## CAMPUS CHATTER

By Foster Montgomery

FLASH! Suzanne Larimer will appear at the Soph dance without Jack Wagner—her unsteady . . . Looks like Charlie Hodge is studying to be a government prof.—even to folding his hat and putting it in his pocket. . . . Annette Piehl is a real contribution to the University of Houston from Texas—she is plenty good looking—I hear her boy friend is up at State—HINT) . . .

Lorraine (Pinky) Butler is very worried; she is afraid that William Bringhurst will find out what was happening the other night behind the scenes in rehearsal for First Lady . . . Harry Montgomery (who is that way about June Carter) says that in order for a love affair to be successful it must be mutual . . . Tom McWorter (a former U. of H. student) is coming home from the Naval academy for Christmas — Brass buttons and all . . . Kitty Lou Dawson and her cousin from San Antonio spent from 4 to 11:30 p. m. at Old Heidelberg with a couple of boys—incidentally they forgot to come to class.

Overheard at the Pig Stand—"Say, Lorine, who do you have a date with, me or them? . . . T. W. Pearson resigned his job as chairman of the Squire dances.

Gerald Schlieff and Ester Edmondson seem to be about the only couple around here that never fight — at least that is the way that it looks from the side lines . . . Dame Rumor has it that Miss Vera Loughridge has "sorta" forgotten about her big moment she met at Texas U. this summer.

Roger Pryor and Louis Fuller are seen together quite frequently now . . . The B. A. club seems to be doing all right by themselves—they threw quite a nice get-together Sautrday night . . . Charlette Herzog isn't doing so well—wonder if it could be because of the proximity of—shall we say our English Accented Friend? . . . The reason Edward De Young is missing classes seems to be Angelina Puccio . . . Howard Bowers' mother bought him a new B. B. gun and he went hunting instead of playing football . . . It has been suggested that Jack Boyd pay at least half of the expenses of the date when Freeman Nixon takes out Jack's girl—Nina Lois Bunting . . . Another suggestion is that those who play in the gym should wear soft soled shoes—one student was knocked out last week because of hard soled shoes. . . . R. L. Cooper is seen taking Lolita Wood every place the folks meet. . . . Clem Baldwin arrived at the B. B. A. club party without the usual sparkle in his eye or Grace Dustin—is it because Gracey is cold hearted . . . Where did Carl Glynn Barnes get that bouquet she wore to English class as a boutonniere Monday night (she says that it came from a funeral parlor—which one?)

Charles McLeroy seems to be in love—is it with a new red Pontiac or a good looking blonde . . . An old flame of Doris Kennedy is getting married—too bad Doris; hope you aren't slipping . . . Understand Austin Aarla is robbing the cradle these days—incidentally Austin you can't see a football game sitting in a car faced the other way . . . John Fakes is an upperclassman supposedly but he apparently acts like a freshman in class.

MALES INVADE FEMININE FIELD . . . that of possessing inferiority complexes, according to University of California psychiatrist who states that 25 per cent of the men students entering said institution are harassed by inferiority complexes.

## 'Flawless Diamond' Pleasant Surprise To Speech Class

By Lillian Harris

Members of the Better Speech club waited expectantly for roll call to end Monday night . . . each just knew it would be his turn to make a speech . . . so it was a pleasant surprise when the sponsor of the group, Harvey W. Harris, announced: "My subject for this evening is "The Flawless Diamond," and proceeded, to show how personality can be brought out of the "rough" by developing the inner qualities of character.

The trend of thought briefly summarized:

Personality is the magnetic outward expression of the inner man . . . it may be positive or negative . . . it can be drawn out and cultivated or neglected and left undiscovered. It

is not a certain type of label that one is born with and destined to wear through life . . . like the diamond its

### YESTERDAYS

By GEORGE CHAISSON

Where, then, are my yesterdays? They're buried in my heart. Each hurt is there—each eager glance,

Each sigh, each stop, each start

Philosophically inclined say live today, forget

The past and all that with it went; So, too, would I—and yet

I much prefer the moments gone From them my die is cast Philosophers may have today I'll take the mellow past.

form can be changed . . . it can be polished until it is flawless.

A positive, polished personality radiates courage, courtesy and kindness . . . is more powerful than learning . . . goes deeper than mere "looks" . . . unlocks hidden possibilities in the possessor and in those he contacts, drawing out the higher, nobler traits of character.

Vital points to attain in the polishing process:

A pleasing appearance; intelligent and interesting conversational ability; mental states dominated by love, open - mindedness, cheerfulness, poise; and the ability for skillful, accurate self-direction, keeping Christ, the only Flawless Diamond as a constant Guide.

## Methodist Survey Advanced In View Of Organizing Club

A group of Methodist students of the University of Houston is now making a survey of Methodists enrolled with the view of organizing a Methodist students' federation.

It has been estimated that approximately 400 students are Methodists and the organization committee is issuing invitations to all to become charter members of the federation. Madalyn Durr is temporary chairman of the organization group and presided last Friday when a small group met to discuss the feasibility of a Methodist student union.

Miss Mary Bethany, of Autry House, Rice Institute, was guest speaker at the first meeting and discussed the purpose and functions of sectarian organizations in college.

A plan of organization was outlined by Miss Johnnie Mae Brooks, young people's activity director of First Methodist church. Miss Brooks urged members of the organization committee to center the federation activity around one central project for the semester and stressed the necessity of not duplicating the work of other organizations on the campus.

It was suggested that the Methodist students co-operate with local churches in bringing outstanding ministers and educators to lecture in Houston.

All Methodist students have been invited to join the federation and are requested to get in touch with Miss Durr if they are interested in becoming members. Dr. Hiller and A. V. Greulich are sponsors of the organization.

## Mary Athey Speaks To English Class

Mary Athey, former student of the University of Houston and a well known poetess, spoke to the 8:30 sophomore English and faculty members Wednesday on the subject of "What Poetry Is."

"Texas has the greatest future in poetry of any state—the greatest majority of the people in the U. S. picture Texas as a great range with sage brush growing over it," said Mrs. Athey. She brought out the fact that our state has not yet been captured in the poetic world. She said that some students of the University of Houston might accomplish this feat.

## Oelrich Entertains Houstonian Club

Virgie Oelrick, President of the Houstonians, will entertain members of the club with a covered dish luncheon, December 29 at 1614 Miller.

Tentative plans concerning a bridge luncheon at one of the dairies, was discussed at a recent meeting. Muriel Storm was named chairman of this committee. Christmas basket for a needy family, will be sponsored by the club and Virginia Christy will head the committee.

An ice-skating party in the near future will complete the Christmas calendar.

**BIOLOGY TEXT BOOKS PRODUCE FIREWORKS . . .** a chapter on evolution annoyed John M. Frazier, Mississippi State Teachers College Prof, to the extent that he ripped out the offensive pages from 60 books. His action, a decade after Tennessee's famous "monkey trial" renewed the evolution discussion. Mississippi fundamentalists in 1926 had enacted a law forbidding teaching or use of books which related the theory that man "ascended or descended from a lower order of animals."

## FUR FLIES AS MEN AND WOMEN DRIVERS ARGUE

### Trouble-Starter Defends Himself From Lady's Wrath

In reply to the paragraph in a recent issue of the Cougar accusing me of unfairness to the ladies in my article on "How to be a Woman Driver," I would like to take the stand in my defense.

I will grant that some few women are excellent automobile drivers, but on the whole, the average female driver should spend more of her time with her hand on a can-opener instead of a steering wheel.

When I claim to be only an average male driver, I have had but one accident in some ten years of driving. A woman driver backed from a parking place on Main Street into the side of my car while I was stopped at a red light.

Now in your little paragraph, Miss Barnes, you ridiculed my observation about a woman driver waving to a friend while making a left turn. You stated that woman could wave with her right hand and signal with her left. Very true, Miss Barnes, very true. But I believe that you have overlooked a simple little fact. Can you explain just how your woman driver could turn the steering wheel if she waved with her right hand and signaled with her left? Unfortunately, the automobile manufacturers have not yet placed on the open market a car that will automatically turn corners. Some of our own Joe Colleges are pretty fair with but one hand on the wheel, but right now that wheel just MUST have at least one guiding hand.

I tried to be fair, Miss Barnes, and even tried to help you get that car around the corner with your female driver waving and signaling for her turn, but I have to hide my face in shame and admit that I have failed. If your driver just had THREE arms . . . but no, ladies don't usually have an extra appendage. We have our two-faced women, but never any with three arms. (Just to ward off a few expected retaliations in future issues, I must admit that I have also heard of two-faced men.)

From the tone of this letter, you might be led to believe that I am a woman-hater. Nothing could be further from the truth. Outside of a juicy, tender broiled steak, a pretty girl is perhaps the most beautiful of God's creations. (This should land me a few of the feminine votes, anyhow.) I only believe that a woman's place should be mostly in the home or office, and very, very seldom in the Ford.

And so I bow my head and wait for the blows to fall.

Your severest friend and best critic,

"SKIP."

## B. S. U. Has 800 Toys For Needy Children

B.S.U.'s toy hospital will distribute more than 800 toys to needy children this year, according to Charles McLeroy, publicity manager for B. S. U.

Miscellaneous toys are being repaired as a part of charity work for the year. Shifts of workers will keep busy night and day until December 24, and students are heartily urged to use their spare time assisting in the repair work. Bill Crump or Charles McLeroy will provide transportation to the workshop in the basement of the South Main Baptist church for those who wish to go.

Council meeting will be held at 9:30, room 317, December 20. The South Main Baptist church will have Student's night December 26; Woodland and Second Baptist churches will conduct their Student's night December 29.

## Immortal Bard Fires Day Student Zeal in Dream Drama

Presenting Shakespeare's immortal "Midsummer Night's Dream" with a fervor that at times had the audience doubting that the quarrel scenes were only acting, students of the sophomore English class in the day college gave the play before a large group last week.

Students of the English classes in day school are making a study of Shakespeare and his dramas and are presenting scenes from the plays they are studying as their projects.

"Dark Lady of the Sonnet" will be presented Monday morning. This play was not written by Shakespeare, but is concerns his life and his love affairs. Queen Elizabeth will be portrayed by Rhonda Nathanson, Dark Lady of the Sonnet will be played by Pauline Stephens, Shakespeare enacted by Marian Zapp and the beef-eater will be Wilson Morris.

## Cougar Collegian Former President Hostess to Club

Jane Jennings, past president of the Cougar Collegians, will be hostess to the club at their annual "Open House," December 28, at 1651 Kipling. The affair will begin at 8 p. m. and will continue until 10:00 p. m.

Lolita Wood, president of the Cougars, Nanaline Williamson, vice president, Mildred Bailey, secretary, and Edythe Reddick, treasurer, Mrs. Pearl C. Bender and Mrs. Bessie M. Ebaugh, sponsors of the club, will assist Miss Jennings in receiving guests.

Mary Ann Griesenbeck and Phyllis Greer heard the decorations committee. Dorothy Ann Tucker, Marporie Baldwin and Mildred Bailey are on the refreshments committee. Algerine Allen is chairman of the invitations committee and will be assisted by Suzanne Larimer, Minalee Muery and Dorothy Ann Tucker.

A Christmas basket is another item on the December calendar of the Collegians. All members of the club are urged to make their contributions to Algerine Allen and Nanaline Williamson, as soon as possible. A call meeting will be held Monday in room 108 at 3:15 p. m.

## Hooker Compares Speaking to Love's Eternal Triangle

Mrs. L. T. Hooker, instructor of speech at Reagan High School and wife of the University professor, spoke to the Speech Arts Club last Friday evening on the "Eternal Triangle of Speech."

"Speaking is just like a love affair," she said, "there's always the eternal triangle. In the case of speaking, it is the speaker, the speaker, and the audience."

In tips on how to become an excellent conversationalist, Mrs. Hooker said that only five periodicals were necessary to give you sufficient material for an entertaining conversation with anyone—they are TIME, for national and international news; LITERARY DIGEST, for current events and literary reviews; BUSINESS WEEKLY, for all trends in the business world; your daily newspaper, especially editorials and columns, besides the spot news; and lastly, your professional periodical.

Speech Arts Club will hold the Christmas program next Wednesday evening with the version of a kid's Christmas celebration with a tree and exchanging of inexpensive toys.

## "Men Just Drive, They Don't Learn," Says Weaker Sex

The preponderant subject of men drivers can no longer be kept in the background. The spotlight is on!

Carl Glynn Barnes has presented us with the question "Ho do men learn to drive?" That has always been one of the mysteries of the universe, Carl Glynn. They drive, that's all. Somehow, someone in the far, dim past they go through a process of learning. The wholesale selling for junk of what's left of once beautiful cars testifies to that. And the repair bills for bent fenders, broken axles, busted headlights, etc., bear mute evidence of what an expensive process it is.

But we won't question the economic cost of the art of chauffeuring, for we women are indeed thankful for bus drivers and taxi drivers. Although I've heard my brother-in-law disparage bus drivers time and again and I know some men who won't ride in a taxicab for love nor money.

I'd like to take you for a little jount in somebody's car (Skip's or yours or mine, whoseever you want to ride in) with a male driver at the wheel.

Ready? I'm sorry I can't introduce you to the driver, but perhaps it is better for all concerned that you don't know his name. You're seated. Mr. X gets in and slams the door. After some moments of squirming around to get situated, he tries out the gear shift by knocking it from side to side while it is in neutral and bangs you up against the knee a couple of times. That done, he turns on the ignition and presses his foot on the starter which goes whir-r-r, whir-r-r. He tries again and it still goes whir-r-r, whir-r-r, whir-r-r. Again, and whir-r-r, whir-r-r, whir-r-r.

"Must be cold," he mutters, and bangs the gear shift against your knee again. Why men must try out the gear shift so many times before starting a car I don't know. But I would suggest some rubbing alcohol for that knee when you get home.

Finally the car is in motion and you cut out down the street with a roar and a savage meshing of gears. Approaching a STOP street Mr. X shoots up behind a car with a screeching of brakes and a furious honking of the horn. The car ahead has stopped for the intersection. Mr. X thinks that's ridiculous. He yells, "Get going, punk!" to the occupant of the other car and whips around it narrowly missing an oncoming car.

Further on he honks for clearance. Before the car can get out of his way he cuts out around it and hollers loudly, "Move that crate over!" At a red light he starts to roll a cigarette. When the light turns green he's still rolling it. The people behind evidence their desire to go forward but he can take his time because he's a male driver and if anybody should want to get tough with him, he's quite capable of getting out and engaging in a nice little game of fist-cuffs with them.—Helen Wills

## Halden to Lecture At Authors' Meeting

Mr. Leon G. Halden, University professor of government, is scheduled to lecture for the Southwest Composers and Authors Association of Texas at the City Federation of Women's clubhouse, January 5.

Professor Halden will discuss the present situation in Europe and the Far East, stressing the Halifax-Hitler conferences, the Halifax conferences in Paris, and the Delbos visits to the capitols of the succession states. The relation of these European incidents to those in the Far

## POST-GRADUATES ADD KNOWLEDGE AT UNIVERSITY

Registration cards show that at least 110 graduates of other colleges and universities are taking advantage of the opportunity afforded by the University of Houston for additional instruction in various fields of study. The courses pursued range from freshman English and journalism to advanced courses in radio, speech, government, history, and the foreign languages. Health and physical education are also popular courses.

Men and women in the business world are adding to their knowledge of business administration. Employees in the engineering and oil industries are brushing up in geology, mathematics, chemistry and physics. The teaching profession is well represented in the methods courses in education.

Four students with the degree of master of arts from Rice Institute, University of Texas, Southern Methodist, University, and Baylor University are attending the University.

Students enrolled with bachelor's degrees include 21 from Rice Institute, 16 from the University of Houston, Southeastern Missouri State Teachers college, eight from Baylor college, five from the University of Texas, and three from Baylor University.

Out of state colleges represented by graduate students are the University of Minnesota, Cornell University, Morningside College, Iowa, University of Tennessee, Blue Mountain College, Mississippi, Missouri Valley College, Ewing College, University of Arkansas, Maryland University, Southeastern Missouri State Teachers College, University of Alabama, Virginia Military Institute, University of Wisconsin, University of Cincinnati, University of Illinois, Southern Illinois State Normal, University of New Mexico, University of Missouri, Washburn College, Northeastern Missouri State Teachers College, Western State Teachers College, Bowling Green, Kentucky; Mississippi College, Milliken University, University of California, and Louisiana Normal.

From Texas colleges, there are graduates from Stephen F. Austin State College, Southern Methodist University, Southwestern University, Texas A. and M. College, Southwest State Teachers College, Texas State College for Women, East Texas State Teachers College, and North Texas State Teachers College.

## Silent Pantomime Special Feature Of Club Program

A silent pantomime will be a special feature of the Better Speech club program at 8:30 during the public speaking class tonight. Nathan Kost, David Meyer, Billy Miller, Bill Mahaffy, Frances Stephens and Frances Rosencranz will enact a humorous skit, silently.

A. D. Jaque will direct a play "The March of Time" in which Homer Biddle, Billy Miller, Eugene Meyer, Mary Bell, Mary Griesenbeck and Stanton Kinkeley will participate.

Jimmy Willett, former student of the University, addressed the club Wednesday evening. Using as his topic, "The Value of Extra-Curricula Activities," Willett emphasized the fact that there is more to a college education than mere knowledge gained from attending classes.

Harvey W. Harris is sponsor of this club organized within the public speaking class.

## Freshmen Nick Sophs 7-0 With Last-Minute Tally For Third Straight Win

By Dick Bruns

In a proverbial "thrilling last-minute finish" under murky, dripping skies last Sunday, the flamboyant Freshman took another round of football from the indignant Sophomores at a count of 7-0.

The Frosh victory was especially hard for the second-year men to take for the score came on a six-yard line buck with only seconds to play. The inspired Freshman took the ball over with a vengeance after a determined drive that featured the most "educated football they have yet displayed.

The Fish (or "Slop," as they would be called by Ray Campbell, who was conspicuous by his absence) have steadily improved each week, after several Sundays of plain power and push, they blossomed out this week with an amazing razzle-dazzle passing attack that netted them the touchdown.

With time practically gone in the last period, the score stood 0-0, and the Freshman took the ball on the Soph 40-yard stripe. "Look out for long passes!" yelled a Sophomore back, and the Freshman took the cue. Here they came; long, dangerous, reckless, beautiful passes, with C. W. Skipper pitching, and Bennett Anderson and Charlie Brigance hauling them in with amazing dexterity, literally on their fingertips.

They were working feverishly against time. The ball lay now on the 6-yard line, and the timekeeper announced only seconds left to play. The ball MUST go over on this play. They staked their all on a furious line buck, and WON! Just to show how good they felt, they crashed the line again for extra point, and the final score showed Freshman 7, Sophomores 0.

The Sophs started strong, and the first quarter was all theirs in the match of strength, but with the second quarter their machine broke down and the Freshmen took over active control of affairs. From then on, the game was played on Soph territory, and only Sheppard's matchless punting kept them out of the hole. The line broke down more than once, and it looked nothing less than miraculous to see Sheppard's punts rise faultlessly from among the milling of throng of linemen grouped around him.

Joe Camp was handicapped by a leg injury which cut down his speed and confined his performance to cut-backs and tricky running. Camp lost speed after the first quarter, and coincidentally the entire team lost its effectiveness. The other backs, Kerns, Sheppard, and especially Stewart Germany, still performed effectively and gained much yardage; but this was returned with each Freshman advance. The line had lost much of the unity and strength it displayed last week, and could not seem to find its stride. Maybe it was just a superior Freshman line that made the Soph wall look so bad.

The strong Frosh line was composed of Harold Johnson, Andrew Uhrick, Milton Gardner, Johnny Nicosia, Hollis Love, Albert Rutledge, and Bruce Searby. Outstanding among them were Milton Gardner, whose tousled head time and again penetrated the Sophomore line in brilliant defense play, and Johnny Nicosia, who backed up the line effectively in a sort of 6-1-2-2 defense.

The Freshman backfield was indeed a "four horsemen" combination, each outstanding the other in brilliance of flashy play, in everything from punt returns to passing and line-blasting. Bennett Anderson, Charles Brigance, C. W. Skipper, and

Henry Taub showed great ability. Houston Hite was placed in the backfield in the second half and added lots of the spark to the Freshman revival, but to single out any one's performance above the other's would be impossible.

George Stovall played two quarters with the Sophomores, but was induced to leave the game when it was discovered that he had two wounds still unhealed, from blood transfusions. The Soph line boasted such stars as DeYoung, O'Leary, Fahey, Wiggins, Harry Montgomery, love, and Leonard.

## Two Clubs Merge Combine Abilities For U. Singers

Glee club of the Genearl college has combined with the University Singers, under the direction of Mrs. Charles C. Perry. Mrs. Edith Lord Stafford, former director of the Glee club has also joined the group. The Singers are meeting now, at the home of Mrs. Perry, 1615 Kipling, on Saturdays, from 1:30 to 3:00 p. m.

Many engagements are included on the Christmas program to be sponsored and presented by the club. The group sang carols at the home of Col. and Mrs. W. B. Bates, 2118 Brentwood, December 14. A chorus, composed of the girls in the club, rendered a selection from MacDowell over KTRH, December 17. The University will be represented by the club at the Tree of Light, December 19. Other programs include: Christmas carols in the school auditorium December 22, and a caroling party on the same date. The Singers will return to the home of Mrs. Perry, after caroling, to exchange gifts.

Officers of the club are: Hill Feagin, president, Ruth Nell Minster, vice president, Ann Murray, secretary, Bufford Bramlett, treasurer, Louise Campbell, librarian and Maurine Durst, reporter. Freida Smith is the accompanist.

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"conscientious" young man enrolled in the university and for "inactive membership" of graduate ex-members, who are invited to co-operate with the club in every way except actual management of affairs.

John Cutler, chairman of the Constitution Committee, presented the constitutional draft by proxy in a letter written from Louisiana when he learned that he would not be able to attend the meeting called to consider the draft. Boyd Shinn, president of the club, read the letter and presented the proposed document for consideration and correction. When it has the approval of the office, a vote will be taken for adoption.

Another item of importance at the meeting was the resignation of T. W. Pearson from his post as permanent committee chairman in charge of social arrangements. The club regretted the loss of Pearson from active line of duty, but outside interests had become too pressing, he said, to permit him to give sufficient time to active service. His efficient handling of the two Squires' dances of the season won much commendation from both students and club members.

Don Miller presented a brief financial report on the "Kaki" dance, and suggested a "Smoker" stag party for club members Saturday evening, possibly at the Phoenix Mexican Restaurant. He said that postcards would be sent to notify members of exact arrangements.

## BIOLOGY COURSE SOLVES PROBLEMS ABOUT MARRIAGE

By Rosalyn T. Smiser

"To marry or not to marry—  
"That is the question."

It is the question to which you may not find the answer in Mr. Hooker's Biology of Family Relations But, to those infinitely more important and puzzling problems of whom shall I marry? When shall I marry? What may I expect of marriage? The student can work out solutions from 8:30 to 9:30 in room 208 Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The University of Houston is in the front rank of American colleges and universities offering courses dealing with pre-marital education. Pioneer in this field was the University of North Carolina, where Dr. Ernest R. Groves set up the first formal course in marriage fourteen years ago. Today about 200 college catalogs list similar study, for which full credit is given. Among them are the University of Texas, Yale and Columbia University.

As given by Mr. Hooker, the first unit of Biology 435 deals with the biology of reproduction. Basic physiological knowledge constitutes, in the words of the instructor, "a set of tools; a little knowledge is comparable to a few, awkward tools, while greater knowledge provides more and finer tools."

The second unit reviews abnormal mental conditions: insanity, feeble-mindedness, epilepsy, as well as a study of types of neuroses and psychoses.

The class is now engaged in discussion of emotional maturity, seeking answers to the question "Am I an Adult Emotionally?" Child marriages are severely frowned upon by Americans, yet thousands of modern marriages fail, wholly or partially, because one or both of the partners is not an adult in his or her emotional life. Normally the individual passes through six levels of psychological development before reaching "marriageability." These stages are Center-of-the-Universe stage, Affection-for-Parents, "Me-and - Mine" stage, Playmate, Gang, Discovery of the Opposite Sex" stage and Monogamous or Selection-of-Mate stage. Then follow in normal progression the stages of Parenthood and Civic Interest, the latter being after the children have left the home thus freeing the parents for community service.

"The latter part of the course," says Prof. Hooker, "deals with personality adjustment in relation to the family and to society. The student is first introduced to material which should enable him to understand himself. Then, having some conception of his own make-up, he is shown how he may adjust his personality most efficiently to the personalities of other people around him, to the end that he may obtain the greatest ultimate success and happiness."

In the second semester "Personality and the Family" by Hornell Hart will form the basic text. Topics included in this area will be Finding a Mate, Psychological attitudes and Prospects of Marriage, How Much Money Is Needed to Marry? Tests of Romantic Love, Adjustments for those Who Never Marry, The Problem, Constructive Methodists of Dealing With Divorce, Is It Worthwhile Having Children?

Additional reference material on the subject, Helping Young People To Prepare for Marriage, formulated from actual experience, by the Institute of Family Relations in Los Angeles will be used. Mr. Hooker has been a student and co-worker of Dr. Paul Popenoe, founder and director

## GYM NOTES

BOYS' BASKET BALL — Each class will organize a team and name captains Monday night, December 20, at 9:30.

CLASS games are to be played on MONDAY nights 9:30 to 10:30.

LEAGUE games will be played on WEDNESDAY nights after 9:30.

JUNIOR CAGERS are urged to be on hand Monday night to organize a team.

Ping pong is reaching new heights in gym . . . drawing in a record crowd of 131 students Monday night. Stanbaugh reports that none of the six tables have had time-out for rest this week.

SOAP BOX ORATORS HERALDED . . . Columbia U. will award two scholarships to the best street corner orators. Scholarships will be given for electioneering, union organization and open-air vocal performers.

of the Institute. One of the aims of this organization is to educate leaders, of whom Mr. Hooker is one, who are equipped through foundation knowledge in biology, economics, sociology and psychology, to aid young people in the solution of complex, modern marriage problems.

## Rosarians Are Guests Of Local Dance Club

The Rosarian club were entertained Tuesday evening with a dance at the Blossom Heath dance club. The social meeting followed a short business session at Rosary Hall, Milam and MacGregor.

The Rosarian Club, a Catholic organization for college students and young working men and women meets every other Tuesday night with a program of varied interest and entertainment.

The club is very enthusiastic over its increased membership. It has grown from 32 members in August to its present seventy members. The membership fee is only twenty-five cents, and all Catholic young men and women are invited to become members.

They will hold their Christmas party December 21.

STUDENTS . . . dancing to swing music—1200 of them — generate enough heat to warm a two-story house for two days in ordinary winter weather according to an engineer at the University of Wisconsin. Enough energy is released to raise a five-ton elephant 32 miles in the air.



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Adopted studious thoughts and ways,  
He crammed his Turret Top with fact,  
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