

## COLLEGE INSTRUCTOR OUTLINES COURSE IN PRACTICAL SCIENCE

S. L. Bishkin Believes Adults  
Can Memorize More Readily  
Than Reason

### PLAN INSPECTION TRIPS

New Course Would Combine  
Work in Economics With  
That of Chemistry

Adults memorize more easily than they reason, according to S. L. Bishkin, senior member of the science staff at Houston Junior College.

For several years there has been a demand for a course in science that would conform to scientific regulations and technique, that would allow credit toward a degree, and that would—at the same time—be acceptable to people who do not desire a great amount of mathematics or deep scientific research. Such a course is now being worked out.

Mr. Bishkin's plan is to make a class inspection and a complete survey of all industries in and around Houston that employ practical chemistry in their daily routine of business. In this way, the members of the class will see and come to know practical chemistry in its many phases as employed in modern industry and business.

If a course such as this is established, Mr. Bishkin points out, it should be very popular with Houston Junior College students who are not contemplating scientific vocations and those who, after several years of absence from school are availing themselves of the opportunity of an after-working-hours college education.

The proposed course would have as its base freshman chemistry, but would be pseudo-scientific, and taught as a combination of economics and practical chemistry.

## STUDENTS PLAN FOR FOOTBALL BANQUET

"I challenge the freshman class to sell more tickets than the sophomore class to the football dance, Wednesday night, November 26," announced Pete Garrison, president of the Student Association in assembly Wednesday night at Houston junior college.

The challenge was made by Bob McCullough, president of the sophomores, and was accepted by Warren Lemmon, president of the freshmen.

"The purpose of this dance," Garrison stated, "is to make money to buy sweaters for the letter men, which will number about fifteen."

"The Cougar Collegians are planning a football banquet for December 6, and requested Wednesday night that all students interested in the affair should reserve that date. The time and place of the banquet will be announced later," stated Hazel Taylor, president.

A brightly colored poster, placed in front of the stage in the auditorium, called attention that Monday night would be Junior College night at the Loew's State Theater. Pete Garrison announced that the football team, leading students, and members of the faculty would be introduced from the theater stage.

## ATTRACTIVE H.J.C. CO-ED HOLDS PILOT'S LICENSE

Droning airplane propellers are mingled with math, English, and economics in the mind of Miss Dorothy Stocker, attractive co-ed at Houston Junior College.

About a year and a half ago Miss Stocker began learning to fly at Houston airport. From the beginning, her

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## Houston Junior College Administrators



PRESIDENT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Judge K. C. Barkley, the president of the School Board of the Houston Independent School District, has given many years for the building up of Houston and recently is devoting special effort to the development of the Houston Junior College.



PRESIDENT OF JUNIOR COLLEGE

Dr. E. E. Oberholtzer is the founder of the idea of having the Houston Junior College established here on a municipally owned plan. He has contributed more than any other official or person in assuring the success of the venture.



DEAN OF JUNIOR COLLEGE

Mr. F. M. Black, dean of the Houston Junior College, director of the local high schools, and beloved teacher and administrator who has been employed in various positions in the local schools for the past 24 years.

## CLEAR THINKING AND CLEAN HABITS URGED BY COL. IKE ASHBURN

Speaker Tells Students How  
To Get the Most Out  
Of Education

### FORSEES SENIOR COLLEGE

Speaker Says Responsibility and  
Opportunity Always Found  
Linked Together

Clear thinking and clean habits were stressed by Colonel Ike Ashburn, former secretary of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, in speaking before the student body of Houston Junior College at their regular assembly Wednesday night, November 12.

Mr. Ashburn won his audience at the start of his address by telling several amusing jokes on himself, after which he gave some valuable success rules.

"Responsibility and opportunity go hand in hand; you will hear these two words linked together throughout your educational career," said Colonel Ashburn, who urged all students to take a mental inventory of themselves

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## WELCOME TEACHERS

Texas teachers, the Houston Junior College wishes to welcome you to our city, and we hope that your visit will be both pleasant and profitable.

We hope that you will visit our school while in Houston. Our executives, instructors and students will be glad to greet you and show you around the building. With the spirit of true Southern hospitality, we want you to feel at home, and shall do our best to make your visit pleasant.

## FOREMAN ADDRESSES ORATORICAL SOCIETY

Disadvantages of a college education was the humorous title of a lecture given Monday evening, November 17, before the H. J. C. Oratorical Association by Percy Foreman, who told in a highly amusing manner some things to avoid.

Mr. Foreman, prominent Houston attorney and one of the best orators ever to attend the University of Texas, warned the students of some of

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## MANY INTERESTING HOBBIES FOUND AT JUNIOR COLLEGE

One Talented Student Wins  
Honors Riding Bronchos  
at Rodeo Meets

### ART PROVES OF INTEREST

Chicken Raising, Cactii Growing and Curio Collecting  
Are Other Activities

Hobbies of varied and unique type have been found to interest the students of H. J. C. this year, affording them interesting activity outside of school hours.

Jo Ed Winfree, who lives on a farm in Dixieland, is interested in rodeo sports and is quite good at them. At the Crosby rodeo this summer, he won the boys' prize for calf roping and steer riding, and proved himself an able rider of bucking horses. Before finishing high school last spring, Jo Ed promoted a rodeo on the La-Porte road for students of Sam Houston High School.

Among the students who have art

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## EDUCATION COURSES PROVE ATTRACTIVE TO MANY STUDENTS

Over Three Hundred Students  
Enrolled in Department  
Of Education

### MEET STATE REQUISITES

Instructors Well Trained for  
Work; Eight Courses  
Are Offered

Education in all its phases is given especial attention at Houston Junior College under the direction of Prof. S. W. Henderson.

About 300 students have enrolled annually in the department of education, and at least 30 per cent of these students are college seniors or graduates. Two hundred who have completed the courses in education are now teaching.

The courses offered meet all state requirements for teachers' certificates. These courses include public school art, music, penmanship, teaching psychology, methods of teaching and teaching practice for both elementary and high school teachers.

Although this is but the fourth year of the college, so many have enrolled in the department of education that six instructors have been employed to carry on the work. The professional library of books and magazines is an attractive feature.

Mr. Henderson has had ample training for his work as head of the education department. His training includes work at Junior college and teachers' colleges as well as the Texas State university. His teaching experience covers a period of 25 years and ranges from the one-teacher country school to college work. Because of this wide experience, he is well fitted to know the needs of those who enter this work. In order to come to Houston Junior college, Mr. Henderson resigned a position in the department of education at the College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Texas.

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Great interest has been shown in girls' basketball at Houston Junior College. Fifteen girls met Wednesday night, November 19, to organize and elect a captain for the team.

According to Elizabeth Rummell, newly elected captain, regular practice will be held every Friday night from 9:30 to 10:30, and all others interested in playing, may play each evening from 7:30 to 9:30.

Those who are reporting for practice are: Melanee Garrett, Mildred Cramer, Madalyn McGraw, Mozelle McReynolds, Florence Scott, Gladys Liestman, Irene Spiess, Francis Baty, Helen Tomlin, Pauline Ault, Dorothy Stocker, Louise Morgan, Margaret Shell, Bernice Blackshere, and Elizabeth Rummells, captain of the team.

A. B. Pease, assistant football coach and coach for the girls' basketball team, is devoting much of his time to the success of the team. It is expected that the first game will be carded soon.

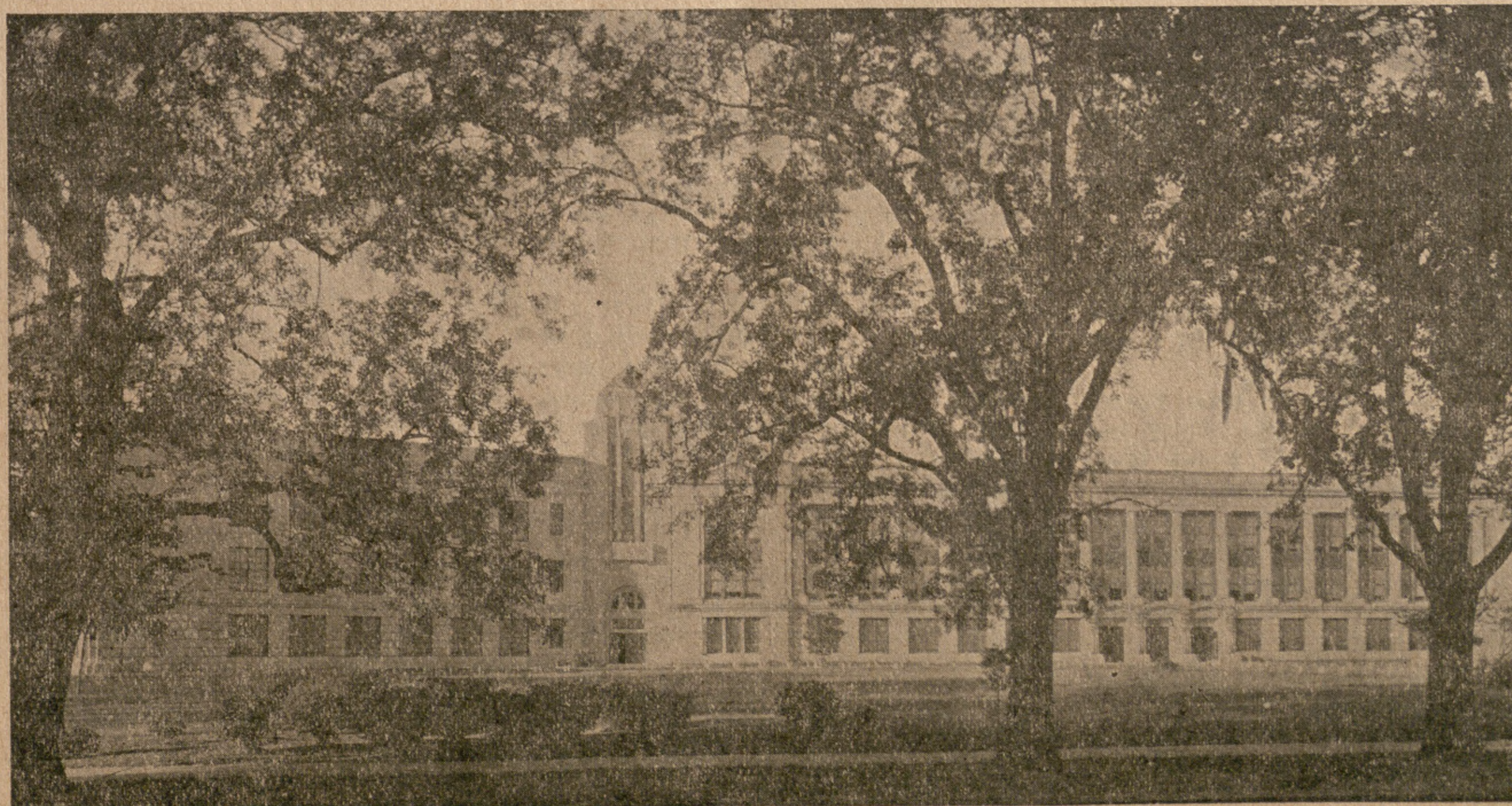
## KERBOW GIVES REASONS FOR STUDENT FAILURES

Why do college students fail? This question, asked many times by students and their parents, has been adequately answered as follows by A. L. Kerbow of H. J. C. education department:

Probably 75 per cent of all students fail or are conditioned in three semester hours of work during their four years in college. More than 90 per

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## Temporary Home of Houston Junior College





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## Cougar Welcomes Teachers

This issue of the Cougar is the  
State Teachers' convention number.  
Houston is proud to be host to the  
several thousand visiting teachers  
from all sections of the state.

We feel that Houston Junior Col-  
lege is rapidly becoming an impor-  
tant link in the Texas educational  
system, and it is only fitting that this  
issue of the Cougar, the spokesman  
for Houston Junior College, be de-  
voted largely to the interests of the  
Texas teachers and the high ideals  
that they are perpetuating.

Th officials, teachers, and students  
of Houston Junior College hope that  
the visiting teachers will take this  
occasion to visit our college.

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## What About the Future

Some months ago the Dartmouth  
Jack o' Lantern carried this remark,  
"College is just like a washing ma-  
chine: you get out of it what you  
put in—but you'd never recognize it,"  
which is only a new way of preach-  
ing the old sermon about reaping that  
which you sow.

Here we are a thriving group of  
750 students. That is almost twice  
the number of the first enrollment  
four years ago, but we can't stop  
here, can we? No! We want to  
make this a four-year, municipal col-  
lege, with an enrollment of 1500, op-  
erating day and night. We realize  
that we can do this by our efforts and  
influence and we are planting that  
material which will one day be the  
foundation of such a college.

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Much interest in dramatics is being  
shown this year. The Bender Dram-  
atic Club was fortunate in hearing  
George Rotan, manager of the Hous-  
ton Little Theater. This is another  
indication of the way in which H. J.  
C. students are obtaining a well  
rounded education.

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Real orators are being developed at  
H. J. C., judging from a recent de-  
bate on the subject of the jury sys-  
tem. The work of the speakers show-  
ed a knowledge of the subject, and  
ability to "put it over."

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The Cougar business staff promises  
advertisers that Cougar "ads" get  
business for them. Read our adver-  
tisements, and then help the staff  
make good on their promise.

Dr. Mayo declares walking is the  
best exercise one can take. So it is,  
Doc, so it is—if you can find any  
place to walk.

—Milwaukee Journal.

If those who object to the publica-  
tion of crime news on the front page  
will keep us supplied with Lindberghs,  
all will be satisfactory.

—Arkansas Gazette.

## Just Talk



Well, here we are again with a new  
batch of "just talk" contributions, all  
of 'em nice and fresh, right out of the  
good old H. J. C. brain factory.

### Would Start Question Barrage

Frinstance, JAMES BROUGH has  
been getting all hot and bothered  
about S. W. Henderson's shortage of  
questions from students. Mr. Hender-  
son is grieving; the students do not  
ask sufficient questions. What'll we  
do? Here's what, says James:

"How about it, students? Let a  
'question a day' be our motto. Make  
the dear poor happy or make him rue  
his words."

"Just Talk" is betting Mr. Hender-  
son will have an answer for each.

### Who Said Auto Horns?

Those auto horns again! Along comes  
VIOLET HERBERT with a justifica-  
tion of "auto horning" in the school  
driveway. "Someone parked his  
car in the middle of a driveway, lock-  
ed it and departed—recently—and as  
a result cars were blocked the whole  
length of the driveway," says Violet.

Stop this and see if the horn blow-  
ing doesn't also stop.

### "Departing, Leave Behind Us—"

Do H. J. C. students appreciate the  
privilege of using the San Jacinto  
High School for Junior College?

RUTH WINIFRED CLAPP wonders  
if they do, and she believes that the  
Cougarites should express their appre-  
ciation. "Couldn't we all get together  
and decide on something to donate to  
the school—something that both high  
school and college students might en-  
joy?" asks Ruth.

"It isn't a question of 'can we do  
it?'" says Miss Clapp. "Certainly,  
students with a driving determination  
to do, can likewise accomplish. The  
question is, will we?"

"Just Talk" is waiting for sugges-  
tions.

### Chance for a Cleaning

Soiled trays, messy dishes—blah!

That, in short, expresses FAY  
GENE LAURENCE'S opinion of our  
cafeteria at the end of the dinner pe-  
riod, and Fay Gene goes on to say:  
"If you are not a Sophomore, with  
the privilege of calling some 'slime'  
to take away the remains of your  
lunch, be a good American and haul  
them off yourself. Next time you see  
someone leaving a dirty table, take  
advantage of the opportunity to tell  
them they are bad, ill-mannered Amer-  
icans."

"Just Talk," being a little feller—  
as you can see at the head of this  
column—sized everybody up before  
telling them they are bad and ill-man-  
nered. We'll let Big Un Lowe tell all  
the "big uns."

Some people notice that the days  
are getting longer; others, that the  
nights are getting shorter.

## COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, December 2: Open  
Forum Lecture on "Psychology  
in the Melting Pot" by Charles  
G. Obermeyer at Sidney Lanier  
School.

Saturday, Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m.:  
Annual Football Banquet given  
by the Cougar Collegians fol-  
lowed by dancing. Price per  
person, \$1.25.

Tuesday, Dec. 9: Open Forum  
Lecture on "All the World and  
Ourselves," by Dr. Frank Bohn  
at Sidney Lanier School.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 8:30 p.m.:  
The play entitled "Nothing But  
the Truth," by Montgomery will  
be given by the John R. Bender  
Dramatic Club.

Friday, Dec. 19: Last day of  
college session.

Monday, Jan. 5, 1931: College  
resumes.



N. K. DUPRE  
Assistant Dean

## THESPIANS HEAR OF LITTLE THEATER WORK

George Rotan, business manager of  
the Houston Little Theatre, delivered  
an address to the John R. Bender Dram-  
atic Club, Monday night, November  
10, in the school auditorium. Mr. Ro-  
tan, who is an active worker in the  
local unit, spoke on the work of the  
Little Theater, offering a number of  
suggestions that are expected to prove  
helpful to the members of the Junior  
College dramatic organization.

The speaker explained the work of  
the Little Theater and the motives  
behind it. He stressed the fact that  
every active member of such an or-  
ganization must co-operate in order to  
make the unit a success. He pointed  
out that of the 150 active members of  
the Little Theater, Mr. Rotan said, "It  
were used in the six plays produced.  
The other 65 assisted in such tasks as  
advertising, lighting and scenery ef-  
fects, ticket selling, and ushering.

In accounting for the existence of  
the Little Theater, Mr. Rotan said, "It  
is not a desire to show off that car-  
ries us into work of this nature, but a  
creative impulse that is in every hu-  
man being. The desire to build some-  
thing and the natural fondness for  
spoken drama are the main motives  
behind Little Theater work."

"There is a congenial associaton at  
the theater, "and a degree of culture  
is obtained that cannot be acquired  
elsewhere. Our work has increased  
so in popularity during the past six  
years that it is evident that the Little  
Theater will eventually take the place  
in the field of spoken drama that the  
stock compnies now occupy."

Mr. Rotan concluded his address by  
congratulating the members of the  
club on the interest they have shown  
in the Bender Dramatic organization  
and wishing them success.

## CLEAR THINKING—

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and form habits of dependability, and  
cool, clear thinking.

The important phases of education  
emphasized by Colonel Ashburn were  
mental discipline, broadening influ-  
ences, and a knowledge of human re-  
lationships.

In closing his address, Colonel Ash-  
burn expressed the hope that in five  
years he would see the Junior Col-  
lege become a fully accredited senior  
college.

Following the address the students  
heard several announcements regard-  
ing the wearing of freshmen green  
apparel as prescribed by the sopho-  
more class. President Bob McCul-  
lough of the sophomore class an-  
nounced that the freshmen boys who  
did not comply with demands must  
wear their trousers rolled to the knee  
during the remainder of the session.  
This announcement caused much  
amusement. Mr. McCullough said  
that all freshmen who are "good"  
freshmen will wear the specified green  
garb.

The only dates some old maids ever  
get are the ones on their tombstones.  
—Judge.

A great many animals laugh, says  
a scientist. And, of course, a great  
many people give them good cause to.  
—San Diego Union.

## Betty Co-Ed

Dan Foster has been asked to  
sing the following song at the  
Cougar football banquet to be  
held at College Inn on Decem-  
ber 6:

Betty Co-Ed has lips of red for Foster,  
Betty Co-Ed has eyes of Matthew's  
blue,  
Betty Co-Ed has golden hair for Weg-  
gins,  
Her dress, I guess, is blue for War-  
den, too;  
Betty Co-Ed has a smile for Willard  
Nesmith,  
Her heart is McKibbin's treasure, so  
they say,  
Betty Co-Ed is loved by all the Cougar  
team,  
But Sikes is the one that's loved by  
Betty Co-Ed.

Betty Co-Ed has lips of red for Tom  
Rhodes,  
Betty Co-Ed has eyes of Whitehead  
blue,  
Betty Co-Ed has golden hair for Stud-  
dert,  
Her dress, I guess, is white for Oshe,  
too;  
Betty Co-Ed has a smile for Martin  
Lowe,  
Her heart is Gus Myer's treasure, so  
they say,  
Betty Co-Ed is loved by all Junior  
College boys,  
Say! Bertrand's the one that's loved  
by Betty Co-Ed.

Betty Co-Ed has lips of red for Ur-  
bantke,  
Betty Co-Ed has eyes of McGinty blue,  
Betty Co-Ed has golden hair for Mar-  
aseck,  
Her dress, I guess, is blue for Wel-  
bourn, too;  
Betty Co-Ed has a smile for Frog  
Barziza,  
Her heart is Calkins' treasure, so  
they say,  
Betty Co-Ed is loved by all this Col-  
lege team,  
But Cox is the one that's loved by  
Betty Co-Ed.

Betty Co-Ed has lips of red for good  
ole Close,  
Betty Co-Ed has eyes of Fatjo blue,  
Betty Co-Ed has golden hair for Kal-  
mans,  
Her dress, I guess, is white for Hed-  
rick, too;  
Betty Co-Ed has a smile for Passante,  
Her heart is Hench's treasure, so they  
say,  
Betty Co-Ed is loved by every foot-  
ball boy,  
But Moulden's the one that's loved by  
Betty Co-Ed.

(Dedicated to All the Cougar Team  
and those who tried out for the team  
and played in some of the games with  
the first string football players.)

## ATTRACTIVE CO-ED—

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teachers recognized that she was an  
unusual pupil; for, not satisfied with  
merely learning to pilot a plane, Miss  
Stocker has spent nearly all her leis-  
ure time studying airplane machin-  
ery, taking down engines, decarboniz-  
ing and rebuilding them.

Miss Stocker made her first solo  
flight June 23, 1929, and a short while  
afterwards passed the test for a pri-  
vate pilot's license. All this she did  
in less than two months from the  
time she started learning to fly. She  
intends to enter an endurance contest  
in the near future, the date of which  
has not yet been set.

There is nothing more fascinating  
to Miss Stocker than flying. She ex-  
pects to get a commercial pilot's li-  
cense very soon. She is the only  
aviatrix in Houston, at the present  
time, and one of the best in the South.

During the summer she was North  
and East doing exhibition flying at  
various airports, and was one of the  
guests at the air races in Chicago.  
She also attended the first meeting of  
the National Women's Flying Club,  
"The 99's." Amelia Earhart and Eli-  
nor Smith were among the many oth-  
ers who attended the meeting.

Although Miss Stocker intends to  
make aviation her occupation, she  
thinks education is very important  
and after she graduates from the  
Houston Junior College, her intention  
is to go to a university and get a  
degree.



MRS. JOHN R. BENDER  
Dean of Women

## NEWSPAPER MAN TELLS NEEDS OF JOURNALIST

"Get your news first, but first get  
it right," is the advice of Royal H.  
Roussel, of the editorial staff of the  
Houston Press, who addressed the  
class in Journalism Friday night at  
6:30 p.m., at Houston Junior College.

Mr. Roussel gave an interesting  
glimpse behind the scenes of news-  
paper work. Accuracy, dependability,  
health, and strength are requisites de-  
manded by city editors who also want  
individualism and a different angle on  
news. That newspaper work is inter-  
esting is evidenced by Mr. Roussel's  
statement:

"A person in newspaper work has  
more experiences, sees more and  
hears more in five years than the  
average person does in a life time."

To be well informed, to love your  
work and to get what you are sent  
after are stepping stones to success in  
reporting, according to Mr. Roussel,  
who pictured the morbid side of news-  
paper work in a few words: crime,  
blood, executions and the editorial  
branch he called "the most severe, the  
most critical and exacting part of  
newspaper work."

## FOREMAN—

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the dangers to be overcome in secur-  
ing a college education. "Aside from  
the cultural advantage," he stated,  
"sometimes it is best not to attend  
college. It is said that an Italian once  
was refused the job of janitor of a  
church because he had no schooling.  
Eventually, however, by dint of hard  
work and saving his money, he  
amassed a fortune through the medi-  
um of several retail stores. A college  
education does not assure one's suc-  
cess. Unless the student learns to  
work hard and develop his talents, he  
will go into the business world and be  
a total flop."

Miss Nelwyn Turner opened the pro-  
gram with piano selections. Warren  
Lemmon and A. D. Tapick debated the  
question of "Trial by Jury," the de-  
cision going to the latter.

Mrs. Seiser, of the Humble Oil com-  
pany personnel department, addressed  
the students, giving some valuable  
pointers on how to secure a job.

Other attractive numbers on the  
program were an oration by Mr. Da-  
vis, a reading by Elizabeth Sinclair  
and a vocal solo by Virginia Williams  
accompanied on the violin by Herman  
Shoss. Harvey Richards closed the  
meeting by demonstrating the latent  
musical possibilities of the harmonica.

Narrowing down to the members  
who are really interested in the work  
it sponsors, the Oratorical Associa-  
tion is ready to start its active cam-  
paigning of the year. Mr. Harris has  
made tentative plans for the most  
varied debating schedule yet sponsor-  
ed by Junior College. Both boys' and  
girls' teams will represent the club.  
The year's activities also call for en-  
tries in the one-act play and oratory  
contests.

If these little motor cars get any  
smaller, they'll have to hunt the pe-  
destrians in packs.

—Arkansas Gazette.

A shining example of old-fashioned  
simplicity is an unpowdered nose.

—Life.



## .. Nourishment for Nuts ..

Harold Meynier: "Hello, where have you been?"

Jim Bertrand: "To the station to see my girl off for a month's holiday."

Harold Meynier: "But how black your hands are!"

Jim Bertrand: "Yes, I patted the engine."

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Prof. (to big boy acting silly): "Baby, you ought to bring your mama to school with you."

Victor Voebel: "Which mama?"

\* \* \*

Marshall Welbourn: "My girl doesn't understand me, does yours?"

George Hughes: "I don't know, I've never heard her even mention your name."

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Mr. Rees: "Suppose I told you that three frogs were sitting on a log and one decided to jump off, how many frogs would be left?"

Jake Passante: "Two."

Mr. Rees: "Wrong, this frog I specially referred to only decided to jump off. He didn't jump."

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Lawrence Lennie: "You are the sunshine of my life."

La Fleur Smith: "Oh, Lawrence!"

Lawrence Lennie: "You reign alone in my heart."

La Fleur Smith: "Darling."

Lawrence Lennie: "With you at my side I could weather any storm."

La Fleur Smith: "Say, is this a proposal or a weather report?"

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Bob Stalling: "This coffee looks like mud."

Beulah Bailey: "No wonder—it was ground before it was boiled."

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Photographer (taking pictures of father and college-boy son): "Perhaps it would make a better picture, my boy, if you were to stand with your hand on your father's shoulder."

Mr. Richards: "The picture would be more natural if Harvey stood with his hand in my pocket."

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Nelda Smith: "So that traffic judge was a hard one, was he?"

Lula Mae Smith: "Hard? Why, Nelda, I had to smile at him three times before he would dismiss the charge and even then I thought I had to give the old codger a kiss and a hug before he'd let me run along."

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When Noah sailed the waters blue, He had his troubles, same as you. For forty days he drove the ark Before he found a place to park.

\* \* \*

Cop: "Miss, didn't you see me hold up my hand?"

Nora L. Calhoun: "I did not."

Cop: "Didn't you hear me blow my whistle?"

Nora L. Calhoun: "I did not."

Cop: "Well, I guess I might as well go home. I don't seem to be doing much good here."

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Anna Lou Elliott: "You had no business, my dear, to kiss me!"

Joe Peabody: "It wasn't business, Anna Lou, it was a great pleasure!"

\* \* \*

Mr. Schuman: "When do leaves begin to turn?"

Tom Rhodes: "The night before exams."

\* \* \*

Margaret Drennan: "How come you call your old man 'Governor'?"

Lloyd Rembert: "Aw, because he vetoes all my bills."

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Fairfax Moody: "I can get into any entertainment with my face as a ticket."

Cotton Williams: "Yeah, but some day they're going to punch tickets."

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Elsie Chinn to Bessie Robbins (at a scientific lecture): "Do you believe in hypnotism?"

Bessie: "I should say so; I haven't been able to quit looking at that handsome blond since he sat down in front of us."

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Kenneth Phillips: "I prefer to hear rabbits sing."

Lois Duff: "But, rabbits can't sing, silly."

Kenneth: "Yes, I know, that is why I say I prefer to hear them."

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What we should like to know is

what these dairies put in the stuff they sell that makes it taste like milk?

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A young lady eating a ham and egg sandwich at a soda fountain came across a piece of dried leaf in the mixture. She waved it in the air and said, "The first sign of autumn?"

"No, that is bayleaf off the ham," the waiter explained.

"Oh! I beg your pardon," the young lady apologized, "I thought it came off the eggplant."

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### SNIPER

First Class: What's the idea of scratching your neck in the ranks, mister?

Fourth Class: Well, I was the only one that knew it itched, sir.

—Log.

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Her Father: And Helen actually wants to marry you? I should think my daughter would have better taste than that.

Her Suitor: Perhaps Helen takes after her mother.

—Froth.

### KERBOW—

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cent probably secure at least one semester grade to which they cannot point with pride. In many of our biggest colleges, from one-fourth to one-half of all freshmen are either dismissed from school or placed on probation at the end of the first semester on account of poor scholarship. This is a great economic waste as well as a loss of valuable time. These students, or their parents, may be able to recoup their economic loss but the loss of time cannot be made up.

There are many factors contributing to the failure of college students. These factors are of two general types—intrinsic and extrinsic factors. Intrinsic factors are those for which the student himself is largely or altogether responsible. Extrinsic factors are those for which the student is not altogether responsible.

Chief of the intrinsic factors are: (1) Lack of industry; (2) lack of definite aims or interests; (3) distracting influences. Obviously, the most potent of the three is the first mentioned. Many students have never learned how to really "get up in the collar"; they have all manner of excuses; they postpone the day's work until a more favorable or convenient time which never comes. Perhaps one-third of all failures are due to sheer laziness or procrastination.

Many students go to college with no definite aims or purpose in mind. They are in college because they are sent by ambitious and indulgent parents. These students have no definite interests, hence their work is not purposeful. Failure is the result and the school is held responsible. Voluntary distracting influences such as athletics, dances, extra-curricular activities, etc., contribute their toll to the list of failures. Necessary or unnecessary outside work also has its influence. Very few college students come to Junior college and fail because of the lack of ability or the lack of adequate preparatory training, although a most favored excuse on the part of instructors in other colleges.

The student can overcome these influences, first by making an inventory of his causes for failure and then grimly determining upon a definite program that will eliminate them.

### HOBBIES FOUND—

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as a sideline is Harvey Richards, who formerly attended the life class at the Houston Museum of Fine Arts, and has sold a number of paintings and silhouettes to various gift shops. He finds life drawing and portraiture the most interesting, and spends all of his spare time at this work.

Albert Jones has the distinction of having a most unusual hobby for a college student. He raises chickens. At present he has 125 nconas, among which is his pet rooster, Richard—and Richard refuses to be called Dick for short. Albert now works at a radio shop, but his hobby has proven so profitable that he has decided to make it a business.

While acting as manager of the Houston Hat Company and attending Junior College, Wilton Cohen finds time to paint and grow cacti. Approximately 50 different species—ranging from the formidable yucca to the homely prickly pear—are to be found in his attractive rock garden which resembles a rocky hillside, the natural habitat of the plants. Having studied art for two years in New York City, Wilton also spends much time drawing and painting.

Apparently very few faculty members have time for hobbies. Mr. Harris stated that his hobby was raising children. Mr. Kerbow grows roses, and Mr. Vanzee has the conventional hobby of golf.

If collected beauty makes for happiness, Mrs. Soule should certainly have her share of it. In her extensive travels abroad and through South America, she has collected many things of beauty and value. Among them is an old Moorish mantle inlaid with ivory and mother of pearl, and a collection of more than 200 stuffed birds, some of which are now thought to be extinct.

Girls at Junior College do not go out for hobbies, or else they are more reticent than the boys. There are several whose outside interest is dancing or writing; and then there are persons like Celia Lasky and Ruth Wheeler who make very attractive scrapbooks. But it takes a popular freshman like Fay Gene Laurence to show sophisticated originality.

"My hobby? Oh, I like to ride horseback, and to play at being a human fly," says this unusual freshman.

We never yet heard of an absent-minded professor who forgot to flunk anyone. —Rutger's Chanticleer.

People who live in glass houses shouldn't. —Judge.

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### DISTINCTIVE STUDENTS AT JUNIOR COLLEGE

Students of unusual distinction and interest are to be found in the cosmopolitan H. J. C. student body.

Miss Louise Sheppard, though unassuming, has proved to be a brilliant student, and has won several prizes in writing contests. Miss Sheppard never studied journalism before taking this course at Junior College.

Paul LeGros is an interesting type of the adult student. Although a busy business man with training elsewhere, Mr. LeGros has enrolled every year at the college and takes a keen interest in all the school work.

A typical teacher-student is Miss Lois Harrison, of Fannin School, who attends H. J. C. in order to broaden her professional life in the field of psychology.

From far-away Vienna, Austria, comes Miss Vera Gross. Miss Gross is a newcomer in this country, but she is able to vividly describe the ideas and customs of her native land. Her especial interest is early English literature; she is thoroughly familiar with the works of Shakespeare, and is acquainted with some of the descendants of the great dramatist. She has also made a special study of the life and works of Chaucer.

### POPULAR BOYS' CONTEST

Who is the most popular boy at H. J. C.? In order to determine this weighty matter, the Cougar is sponsoring a contest in connection with the San Jacinto Cafe.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a ballot. Simply write in the name of your candidate for this honor, clip out the ballot, and hand it in at the school office at once. It is not necessary to sign your own name—this is a secret ballot.

The boy receiving the highest number of votes will be given a meal at the San Jacinto cafe. The next four "runners up" in the voting will each be given a bowl of the cafe's famous chili.

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# SPORTS

## Coach French Has Good Material For Basketball Season

### Three Veteran Cagers Available; Will Form Nucleus for a Winning Team

With the close of the 1930 football season, Houston junior college basketball fans and aspirants are looking forward to the coming basketball season with intense interest.

Three important figures in basketball during the coming season are Harry Matthews, Willard Nesmith, and Jimmy Oliver. The fans are expecting much from these men during the approaching season.

The basketball schedule for 1930 has not been arranged, but in all probability it will contain the same foes played last year. They are Sam Houston State Teachers College Freshmen, Blinn Memorial College of Brenham, Texas; South Park of Beaumont, St. Mary's Seminary of La Porte, Terril Preparatory of Dallas, Rice Freshmen, and various practice games with different teams of the city.

On January 10, 1930, the Houston Junior College basketball team tangled with the Sam Houston State Teachers College Freshmen and were nosed out in the last half 25-22. However, a week later the Cougar quintet reversed the tables on Brenham, 17-15. The Cougars before their game with South Park on January 31, handed the Albatross club of the Federation League of Houston a 28-17 thrashing. When H. J. C. did meet South Park, it was with more class than ever shown before, and sent the Beaumont Five home, with a 25-14 defeat. St. Mary's was next, and was overthrown 24-17. The Cougars met their toughest opponent of the year Friday, February 7, 1930, when Terril Prep played and defeated them 46-16.

February 24, the Cougars played the Rice Slimes in a preliminary contest to the Rice-Arkansas game. In this struggle, the Slimes turned back the Cougars 34-7.

The lettermen to play this year with the blue and white showed up well in all the games participated in last season. With these three veterans to work with, Coach French should mold a formidable team, so all hopefuls for a position on the Cougar Five should report at the first call.

### HAZEL TAYLOR CHOSEN BEST ALL-AROUND GIRL

Miss Hazel Taylor was voted the best all-around-girl at Houston Junior College in a contest sponsored by the Cougar. Miss Genevieve Weldon was a close second in the voting. Miss Taylor is president of the Cougar Collegians.

Other co-eds who received many votes in the contest are: Gladys Jacobs, Adele Drenkle, Maurine Edminster, Mona Mayfield, Lucille Cafcalas, Nelda Smith, Louise Morgan, Fay Gene Laurence, Maurine Keach, Lamour Dattner, Christine Fitzgerald, Celia Lasky, Jane Witherspoon, Fairfax Moody, Rebecca Fisher, Margaret Mounger, Mary Jane Grant, Cecile Taylor, Nora Louise Calhoun, Eleanor Busby, Irene Spiess, Violet Herbert, Elizabeth Rummell, Dorothy McGraw, Sue Sellinblsoh, Opal Beane, Julia Green, Myrta Ann Meisner, Nelwyn Turner, Virginia Smith, Florence Scott, Betty Tinsley, Francis McBlain, and Marian Moore.

The Holman Street Barber Shop offered a shampoo, finger wave and manicure to the winner.

Then there is the sad case of the absent-minded professor who dictated to his dog; then tried to give his stenographer a bath.

—Judge.

### LUTHERANS TROUNCE H. J. C. GRID HEROES

Listless football in the second period cost Houston Junior College another game Saturday when Seguin Lutheran Junior College put over 13 points and the game.

Cougars showed plenty of dash and fight not present in past games. They completely outplayed their visitors in the last half but lacked that scoring punch.

Blackburn, Seguin halfback, was the outstanding player seen in action in Cougar gridiron this year, scoring both touchdowns with spectacular runs of 20 and 25 yards, and kicking one of the tries for goal. Braun, Wilmer, and Sagebill also played a great game for the visitors.

Matthews, Cougar right end, who was captain for the day, played one of the best games of his career, when in the first half on weak side plays he would break through to throw the ball carrier for big losses.

Kalmans, Jeter, and Porter were also outstanding for the Cougars.

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE TO PLAN ENTERTAINMENT

Freshman social committee members will meet at the College, Friday, November 28, to plan the first official freshman entertainment of the season.

While no authority can be quoted, it is generally agreed that the first class function will be a dance, this being the preference expressed to members of the committee who conducted individual investigations for popular opinion. Details will be worked out by the social committee members and presented for official sanction. If this is obtained, posters and handbills will be put out about the college announcing the date decided upon.

Because the number of entertainments for the season depends largely on the success of the first affair, those in charge hope to have the support of the entire freshman class.

The social committee is composed of Fairfax Moody, chairman; Gladys Jacobs, Christine Fitzgerald, C. G. Hall and Homer Lowe, with Warren Lemmon and H. W. Harris acting as advisers.

### A. J. WARDEN DIES

Mr. A. J. Warden, father of Ted Warden, star end for the Cougars, passed away on November 6.

Mr. Warden was one of the finest men in Houston, and was a real backer of the Cougars.

He was greatly interested in the Cougars and always met the boys at the door and asked them how they came out. He was a great sportsman, a good father, and a real man.

If it takes time to build a strong character, it also requires a good deal to break it down.

The hope chest of many a man—a oushel of socks which he hopes somebody will darn.



A. L. KERBOW  
Associate Professor of Education and Psychology

### Our College Cutie Says--

I think Harold Meynier has the most gorgeous hair. Wouldn't you love to run your fingers through it?

There goes that adorable Marian Jacob. I must admit (and it hurts) that she runs me a close second.

Nurlee Bullard is another of our bunch this year. If she would only hang around more!

What under the sun has happened to Soapy McGinty? Has he turned woman-hater or fallen in love again?

And there's another of the gang, Wayne Phelps. We practically never see him anymore, to say nothing of never hearing him.

Max Ludtke seems to be having a hard time making up his mind between blond and brunette. Max is just like all the rest of these men. He doesn't know that you simply can't go with two girls at the same time that are as good friends as K. F. and A. D. apparently are.

Don't you think Margaret Moore is the cutest thing?

And there's Margaret (another, uh-huh!) Knowles. She has the most contagious laugh.

There's Pete! Pete who? Don't be dumb! Pete Garrison, one of the most popular young men that will ever walked down these halls!

And, by-the-way, here's Ruth Dermody. Don't you like her type? So unusual.

And there's Doc Addison. He seems to have reformed. But then water is so good for one, too.

Don't you simply love boys with blond wavy hair? Irvin Urbanks has some, and it is real, I do believe.

Have you heard George Doscher sing? He has the most divine smile!

Well, darlings, with love and lots of kisses, till next time—

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### THE 'LEVEN

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Football, as far as the Cougars are concerned, is over for the year. The boys have played the game clean and hard, and although they had a very unsuccessful season they were very good losers.

There has been some very good material uncovered on the "leven" this year. Tom Studdert, husky guard donned a football uniform for the first time in his life this year, and has been a star in every game.

The 'leven-had some rooters who were very faithful this year, but the most faithful was Mr. Wallace H. Miner. He was at every home game and his cheering was a great aid to the players.

Shuxtee Matthews, alias Rags, was perhaps the individual star of the year. He is the gentleman who scored the Cougars' only touchdown of the season. He intercepted a lateral pass against Blinn and made a beautiful 55-yard run for the touchdown.

Don't forget little Teb Warden, a great end. He is, perhaps, the best little end in Houston. He knows his position, loves to play the game, and is a fighter from start to finish.

Dutch Hedrick, a great tackle, has played real football all season.

Tom Fatjo, gigantic tackle, has been a good consistent player, and we were glad to get him from the Texas Freshmen. Tom says all the world loves a fat man.

Don't forget Bill Cox, our plunging fullback. His line plunging was excellent and it was a pleasure to watch him back up the line.

Jim Bertrand has played a good game all season. His kicking and

passing was a great aid to the Cougars.

Then there is Sam Kalmans and Soup McGinty, but they belong in a class by themselves. They are two good players, but the opponents delighted in calling them names. It is said Clifford Whitehead belongs in their class. Little Clifford is a good man on anybody's team. He was the nerviest man on the team.

Coach French will call his basketball squad together on December 1, and, folks, you want to watch that basketball team.

Let's all make ready and go to the Turkey Day clash at Austin.

Judge: Isn't this the fifth time you have been arrested for drunkenness? Old Friend (very drunk): Don't ask me. I thought you were keeping score.

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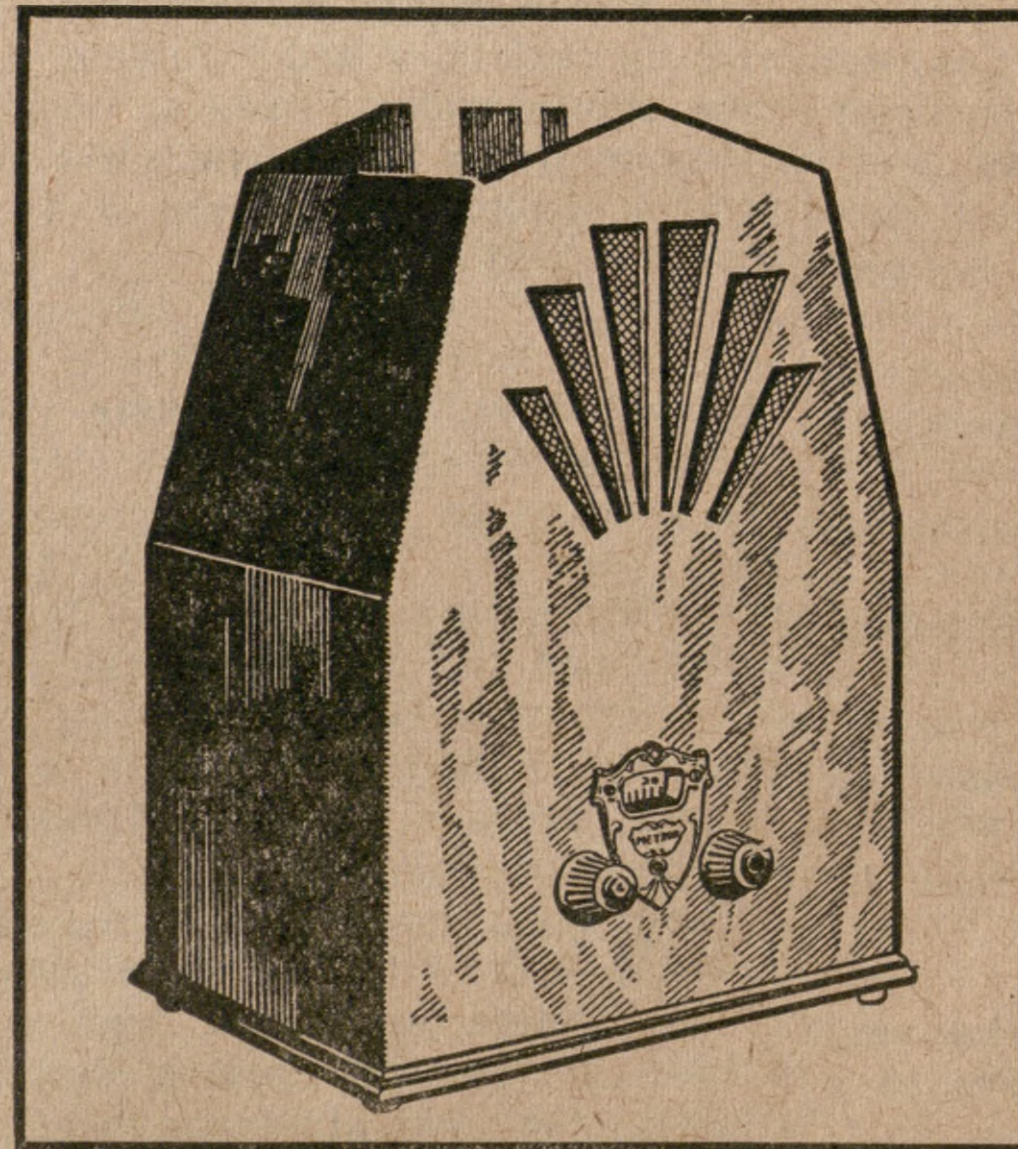
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