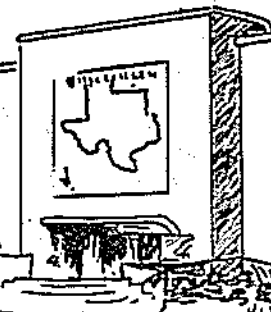




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IVY LEAGUE FAVORITES
Bill Conner, Ann Knickerbocker, Karen Tellepsen, Gene Clements

Activities Club Hosts Dancers, Actors, Chorus

At the Lamar Activities Club meeting Tuesday, February 3, Lamar students performed in the program put on by Mrs. Ruth Denney's Drama Department, Mrs. Anna Lawhorn's Modern Dance Club, and Mrs. Rosamond Glosup's Lamar-O-Liers.

The Lamar-O-Liers sang, a capella, Malotte's Lord's Prayer and Eternal Life by St. Francis Assisi (1182-1226) arranged by Jeno Donatt. Margaret Siefert accompanied the Lamar-O-Liers in a Vincent Youman Medley, including "More Than You Know" by the three "Shannon Sisters."

Mrs. Denney's Drama Department put on two skits; the "Importance of Being Earnest," an English skit starring Barbara Bergstrom and Betsy Johnson, and "Teach Me How to Cry," a skit showing the problems of a confused girl, starring Jimmy Bass and Harriet Melendy. Milton Peacock worked the spot lights for the entire program. The Drama Department took charge of all backstage operations.

Three states, Alabama, Virginia, and Oklahoma were honored by Mrs. Lawhorn's Modern Dance Club. They also did "A Night on TV," showing the different shows from the Mickey Mouse Club to the Late, Late Mystery.

Exam Schedule

Thursday, February 26: English
Monday, March 2: Holiday
Tuesday, March 3: History, Science.
Wednesday, March 4: Math, Industrial Arts, Home Ec., Music, Art.
Thursday, March 5: Foreign Language, P. E., Commercial, Voc. Ag.

Schools Select Nominees For Jaycee Awards

Each month of the school year, one of the Houston Junior High Schools selects one student from each senior home room as its nominee for the "Teenager of the Year." Last fall each senior homeroom at Lamar elected nominees for this award.

From these 19 a finalist will be selected by the Junior Chamber of Commerce "Teenager of the Year" committee. This finalist will be honored at a Jaycee luncheon and receive a gift.

The "Teenager of the Year" will be selected from the nine finalists in June. He will receive a scholarship donated by the merchants of Houston.

The purpose of this competition is to reward teenagers for being good and promising citizens.

National Merit Lists Runners-Up For Scholarships

Nineteen seniors at Lamar have been commended by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for their outstanding performances on a nationwide test of educational development.

They are Jimmy Jennings, Tom Bonner, Malcolm Bell, Martha Yeargain, Frank Jones, Letitia Kinzbach, Robbin Dawson, Elaine Theuman, Susan Campbell, Robert Wagner, Ray Moses, Gebby Long, Robert Winegar, Betty Ellington, Jerry Mendell, Camille Gray, Jesse Summers, Harold Bahr, and Martha Hansen.

These students were the runners-up in the 1958-59 Merit Scholarship Competition. A letter of commendation by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, John M. Stalnaker, President of NMSC, believes that the 10,000 students who received the commendation rank are in the top two or three per cent in ability of the senior students in their respective states.

Over 487,000 students entered the 1958-59 competition, which began with the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test on April 29, 1958. Another group of about 10,000 students — the highest scorers in each state, were announced last October. These students, who have since been retested, are now Finalists in the competition, and the Merit Scholars of 1959, to be chosen from this group, will be announced about May 1.

High Seniors Announce Four Class Favorites

The graduating seniors of the spring of '59 have officially announced their class favorites. Elected were Karen Tellepsen, Most Representative Girl; Gene Clements, Most Representative Boy; Ann Knickerbocker, Most Popular Girl; and Bill Conner, Most Popular Boy.

Karen, a National Honor Society member and a DAR essay winner, is also an ROTC sponsor and a member of the ROTC rifle team. In her sophomore year she was elected Lamar's representative in the Track Team contest, and in her junior year she was an Orenda Beauty. Among the organizations to which she belongs are Mirabeau (she is the publicity chairman), CSU, Choralettes, Future Teachers of America, and the Junior Cabinet.

Gene, Most Representative Boy, has a list of honors to his name which include president of the National Forensic League, vice-president of Sequoyah, page editor of the Lancer, Harvard Book Award, and many debate and extemporaneous speaking awards.

Gene is also the chaplain of Ramal, official morning announcer, and a finalist in the National Honor Society scholarship contest. He is a member of the National Honor Society and Arrowhead.

Orenda Rated One of Top 19 Texas Annuals

"The '58 Orenda has been rated as one of the top nineteen yearbooks in Texas by the Texas High School Press Association, which has its headquarters at Texas Women's University in Denton," announced Marietta Morris, present editor of the Orenda.

The Orenda received special commendation on the general arrangement and literary composition, especially in the faculty section.

The Flashlight of Abilene and the Airosa of Amarillo tied for first place in the All-Texas rating.

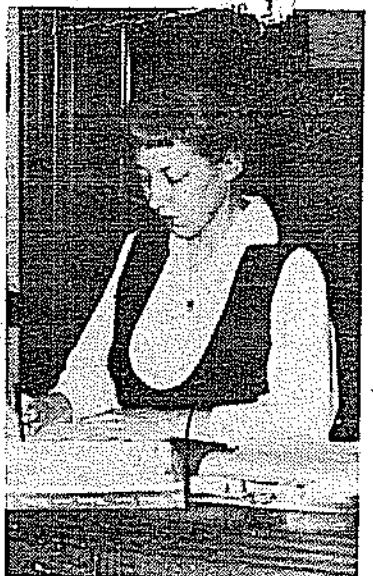
Ann, like Gene, is a member of the NHS and Arrowhead. She is a member of Choralettes and is vice-president of the Future Nurses of America. Ann is president of the Junior Red Cross. She is also secretary to the June graduating class and a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist.

Bill Conner, president of the Senior Class, has lettered in both Junior Varsity and Varsity football, and has been a track letterman for two years. He is now on the Senior Cabinet, is the secretary of Pow Wow, a member of the National Honor Society and on the Orenda Staff.

Ford Joins Staff To Teach English, American History

Mrs. Avis Ford has joined Lamar's teaching staff this semester to teach English and American history. She came originally from Iowa, and taught English at Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa, for four years. Then she came to Texas, married a Texan, and taught at George Washington Junior High in Houston for nine years.

Mrs. Ford went to the University of Iowa and Columbia University and holds a master's degree from the University of



NEW TEACHER
Mrs. Avis Ford

Win Free Trip To New York!

Lamar students are being given the opportunity to win an all-expense paid trip to New York

City, where they may appear on Ted Mack's Original Amateur Hour on the CBS television network, coast to coast.

Nancy Brown Gets DAR Award From Sorrell Chapter

Nancy Brown, senior, has been awarded the DAR Award, announced a faculty committee chosen for the purpose of selecting the recipient.

Nancy was chosen on the basis of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

Nancy is also president of the Texas History Club and secretary of the National Forensic League. She has just returned from a five week trip to Australia where she represented the Girl Scouts at a Convention of Scouts from all over the world.

The award is to be presented by the Samuel Sorrell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The award is presented each year to an outstanding senior girl.

Tuesday, March 6, at 8 pm the Ted Mack "Quest for Talent," sponsored by the Western Houston Kiwanis Club, will be put may become a contestant by signing up at the auditorium, Thursday, March 5, at 3 pm.

Tickets for the Friday night show will be sold under the direction of Mr. Lee S. Keding, at 60 cents per child and \$1 per adult.

The best acts at the Friday program will be auditioned by Ted Mack and his staff at the Sam Houston Coliseum on Friday, March 27.

The "Quest for Talent" is directed by Don Mahoney.

400 Enter Works In Writing Test; Teachers Judge

"There were almost 400 entries for the Anthology this year," said Mrs. Margaret Page, chairman of the committee. "There were 105 entries in the Serious Poetry, 34 in Light Verse, and 20 in prose."

These selections will be sent to Kinkaid for the final eliminations Saturday, February 21, at 9 am. The representative pieces of work will be submitted to outside judges. On Thursday, April 23, the final Anthology will be presented to the members of the Houston Council of Teachers of English and to the students whose work appears in the book.

There were eight different categories to select from: Prose Narrative, Wit and Humor, Informal Essays, Formal Essays, Essays of Literary Appreciation, Short Pieces, Light Verse and Serious Poetry.

The selections were sent in to the committee by the English teachers. The entries that did not reach the final eliminations will be printed in a special edition of the Lancer.

Notice

These students were omitted from the Honor Roll last issue. Mrs. Alpha Kemp Baker, L3-1: All A's—Susan Adams, Pat Armstrong; 5 A's, 1 B: Andy Carothers; 3 A's 2 B's: Barry Christen.

TEACHERS AT HOME

Nash Combines Speech, Psychology

BY ANN CARTER

"The joy of teaching comes from watching the unfolding personality in class as a student becomes more and more adept at

thinking on his feet in front of an audience," stated Mrs. Guinivere Nash, speech and drama teacher. She teaches approximately 155 students daily.

Mrs. Nash attended Southern Methodist University, Northwestern University, and received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Houston. She majored in drama and psychology.

Do you think that raising four boys is a problem? Mrs. Nash doesn't. She takes such things as roping the stairs with dental floss in her stride.

Being an athletic family, the Nashes swim, ride horseback, and water ski constantly. For recreation, Mrs. Nash also dabbles in sculpting. She has made a miniature head of each one of her four boys. Once she made earrings, which the exclusive shops of Houston sold for exorbitant prices.

But her main love, besides her four boys, is psychology.

"The actual psychology and mechanics of learning are fascinating," said Mrs. Nash.

There are many new methods being used experimentally in various fields, she stated. For instance, one example is the establishment of an "electronic school" which uses "tape teaching." This experiment, in which the entire school body is divided into three learning levels — slow, average, and gifted students, "uses tapes upon them," concluded Mrs. Nash.

prepared for each level in each grade, creating individual attention.

Another method of learning might be developed from hypnosis, she added. "However, only the qualified and reputable person should be allowed to tinker with a person's mind," stressed Mrs. Nash.

Some other advantages, which Mrs. Nash pointed out, of recordings are that the hard-of-hearing student could turn the volume of the tapes to suit himself, the overgrown slow child could be put with his age group but be given simpler tapes. Of course the teacher is still, and always will be, the most important factor in the educational field. In California, some enterprising students have made tapes of the professor's courses—one school even uses these tapes.

"We have in Houston an example of teaching on T.V.—one of the fields that is sure to grow," said Mrs. Nash.

"Students today know much more than their counterparts in years past. They are more sophisticated, more widely read, and more alert to the responsibilities that the world has thrust upon them," concluded Mrs. Nash.



NASH FAMILY TOGETHERNESS
Greg, Max, Mrs. Nash, Alan, Ken

Students Choose Lady of Lamar Next Thursday

The Lancer is sponsoring an election Thursday, February 19, to choose and honor a First Lady of Lamar, a girl who has had enough respect for herself as well as others to conduct herself in a gracious, lady-like manner.

The purpose of the election is to show the girls that they can be ladylike and have fun at the same time. The girl chosen must have poise, grace, composure, quietness of manner, good taste in make-up, friendliness, courtesy, sincerity, modesty, self-respect in regard to conduct in public.

Last week each teacher submitted a name of a girl whom he feels meets these requirements. These names will be compiled, and you will vote Thursday for a First Lady from any class. Then vote for a Lady from each of the senior, junior, and sophomore classes. The four girls will appear in a special section in this year's Orenda.

Last year's winners were Betty Knauth, First Lady; Acia Elliott, Senior Lady; Patsy Smith, Junior Lady; and Jessica Darling, Sophomore Lady.

EDITORIALS

Which Type
Are You?

February 18, 1959

Dear Nancy,

I have just arrived home from my first day at Lamar. It was quite an experience.

Vicki Votegetter was the first person I saw. Although we had never met, she greeted me like a long lost friend. Later I learned that she gives everyone the same fake smile and insincere compliments, especially before an election.

After four classes I went to the cafeteria and looked for someone to eat lunch with. Finally I saw Susan Snobbs, whom I had met in gym, and asked her if I could sit at her table. She didn't seem to hear me, so I sat down anyway. As I started to eat she turned, and with her nose in the air, said, "I'm sorry but that seat is saved!" I really wished I was back home then!

The next person I met was a little different! he was Edgar Ego, an intellectual snob. He was so impressed with himself that he couldn't stand to be around me. This is all right, I suppose, but he didn't have to say so in a loud voice.

Just as I was about to take a seat by myself, Nelly Natural, a girl in my home-room, asked me to sit by her. She introduced me to her friends, and in no time they made me feel at home. We're even going shopping together this weekend.

Write soon.

—Your friend,
Mary

TROT POLL

Vote-Getting
Popular SportBY ANNE WATTS
AND ROBERT FRENCH

Since our school is one of perennial smiles and happiness, it is truly fitting and proper that Asa Terthug, your erstwhile reporter, expose to his friends, the masses of The School, the Truth behind this Sincerity.

asked Connie—Gush, a blatant but successful vote-getter, to suggest a Question of the Week. "Ask who's gonna run against me and for what this year," Connie gushed. Eager to join the teeming masses who are allowed to lick her boots, Asa asked this slightly rephrased Question of the Week: What are you actively campaigning for? (Editor's Note: Asa realizes that this question is grammatically incorrect, but the people questioned today are too friendly to point this out.)

Asa approached a Polly Bergen-type child, Gall Norris. Gall is known primarily for her work as President of the Lanier Booster Club.

"What are you actively campaigning for, girl known primarily for her work as President of the LBC?" asked Asa.

"I'm running for Girl Most Likely to Succeed—One Way or Another," answered Gall.

"I never would have guessed," commented Asa. "Thank you for your honesty. Now I'm going to approach Catlean Mush, a pseudo-intellectual."

"Does 'pseudo' mean that she has more than one foot?" queried Gall.

Asa, who didn't know, sallied forth to count Catlean's feet. "Gall was right! She does have three feet," thought Asa.

"Since you have three feet, what office are you running for, Catlean?"

"I do not choose to run," stated Catlean candidly. However, Catlean has been known to change her mind under the influence of the Gung-ho Sly Droolers. (Editor's Note: Sly Drooler support pointed the T-Square squarely at Catlean recently for the vice-presidency of Sparrowhead, senior honor fraternity.)

Asa, after politely thanking Catlean, continued on his journey, slightly disillusioned, but undaunted. Suddenly, out of the West, came Tevis Froesche, semi-popular athlete. Tevis is a letterman on the football "B" team, basketball "B" team, baseball "B" team, track "B" team, and chess "B" team.

"Tell me, Tevis," inquired Asa, "what office are you campaigning for?"

"Well," commented Tevis as he curled his tongue and clapped his hands (Editor's Note—Tevis was glad Asa had finally questioned him) "outstanding member of Sparrowhead, senior honor sorority, wouldn't be bad. Of course, the competition is keen, but it won't be too hard. The members are stupid, you know," he whispered knowingly into Asa's ear.

Asa, even more disillusioned, trotted on. But Hark! Ahead of Him! Was it the Star of the East that blinded the eyes of Asa Terthug, your erstwhile reporter, so, or was it but man's first controlled nuclear fission reactor? No, it was neither. It was the sincere smile of Blabs Breedlove.

"What election are you actively campaigning for?" asked Asa.

"I am actively campaigning for dictator. I feel that my experience as president of a Social Service Club qualifies me." Breedlove's half-breed friend Cochise, an ROTC scout, has promised that the armed forces will be behind her in the revolution.

"Thank you," blurted Asa as he panted away.



Should Men Think?

By ROBERT FRENCH

Ancient Chinese war lords and the czars of Russia were absolute dictators. What they said was law. There was no disagreement. The people were uneducated and superstitious. They believed what they were told.

The basis of all ancient governments was the faith of the masses in their ruler.

As time went on, however, the masses were given by some way or another a taste of education. That was the beginning of the end of absolute monarchies. Education grew into learning; learning into thinking; and thinking into disagreements. "Why should I king rule everything?" "Why can't the people raise their voices a little?"

Eventually democratic governments came into being. The people governed themselves. But are the people intelligent enough to rule themselves? Or are they too stupid? Might it not be better to have one person, who is wiser than the rest, tell the masses what they ought to do? There would then be no more disagreements, no wars, but only world peace.

Yet, how can we find one person more intelligent than all the rest? It would be impossible to raise his standards to any large extent above that of the rest of the people; rather, the standards of the people would have to be lowered. The world would have to be thrown once again into ignorance and superstition. The masses would then place their trust into the hands of one person. What he said would be the law. He would be a sort of God on earth; a person to command their materialistic selves as God commands our spiritual beings.

The ruler, however, must never make the mistake that some of the kings before him have made. He must never return the people's faith with a response that would lead down to a new kind of anarchy.

PROUDLY WE PRESENT PATSY, TRAVIS

Versatile Seniors

Patsy Smith is a LADY.

Patsy's ninth grade class at Lanier elected her May Fete Lady. So did her tenth grade class at Lamar. And her eleventh grade class. To top it

all off, Patsy was elected Junior Lady of Lamar in a contest sponsored by the Lancer.

"Lady" is defined as "a woman of social distinction and position." A large part of Patsy's "social distinction" has come through her active membership in Mirabeau social service club. As a low junior, Patsy was Mirabeau sergeant-at-arms and as a low senior, she was the club's recording secretary. Patsy was the '57-'58 Princess from Mirabeau in the Irati Court.

A member of Choralettes, Patsy was last year elected "Daisy Mae" at the annual Sadie Hawkins Day Dance.

She is also "a woman of position." At Lanier she was a member of the Booster Club. Lamar strategic positions include vice-president of the Sophomore Class, secretary of the Junior Class, member of both the Junior Cabinet and Student Council, chairman of the Senior Picnic Committee, May Fete Princess, and cheerleader.

Scholastically, too, Patsy is in the upper echelon of her class. She maintains a 4.8 average and claims membership in the National Honor Society and Arrowhead.

After graduation Patsy plans to attend Sophie Newcomb College, the University of Texas, or Mary Baldwin College.

Patsy wants to follow a liberal arts course, majoring in education. She plans study in Europe during her junior year.

Conclusion: Patsy Smith is a popular, intelligent, representative LADY who is destined to captivate European lords.

Honors anyone? Elected "Most Representative Boy" at Pershing Junior High, Travis Broeshe has almost earned the same title at Lamar. Football, math, and music all claim a large share of

his time. Selected one of the twenty-five top math students in Texas, Travis was given the opportunity to attend an advanced math course at Rice last summer. With a 5.0 scholastic average, Travis has been president of NHS and is treasurer of Arrowhead for the fall term. He was also elected vice-president of CSU.

Travis considers his most important office that of Ramal president. "It helped me improve myself," he said.

Also an athlete, Travis lettered in football at Pershing. At La-

mar his interest switched to basketball and he lettered on the "B" team as a junior and is on the "A" basketball squad as a senior.

Travis is a member of Mixed Chorus and National Forensic League. He was elected Student Council Representative in his junior and senior years, and he has served on the Junior Cabinet.

At Pershing, Travis was a May Fete Prince and vice-president of the National Junior Honor Society.

A member of the "Place Committee," Travis has worked with other seniors to provide a place for seniors to go.

He has not yet decided what his future will be; Travis intends to study law or electrical engineering at Stanford University.

POETRY

BY CAROL ILLIG
Empty Stem

I touched an empty cup
Of petals
And

one
by
one

They fell
away
To the ground.
And there
As before
Was left
An empty stem
Holding nothing.

Warmth

Warmth like an animal
Died in the rain one night,
Wandering and afraid
Melted into a cold shapeless
Pool.

Transformation

A river washed the rock of dirt
And collected moss.
And the rock pointed upwards
sharply
Gleaming in the sun.
But after
An hour
Dirt and thick green moss collected
Covering the rock
And buried its gleaming point
Beneath the narrow edge
Of water.

The Harvest

Corn grew
Round and firm and golden
In the sun.
A worker cut its yellow kernels
Clean and fresh
From the cob
Leaving a bare stalk
Covered by thin threads
Of green wilting
stems.

HITHER, THITHER

Ignatius Turns
Talents To Art

BY GENE CLEMENTS

Hey Gang! Ignatius has gone Hollywood! After his campaign for social acceptance has ground to an abysmal end because of the combined forces of CSU, WOWOWOW, and Mirrorbow refusing to stomach him, Ignatius decided that only the arts were worthy of his rather dubious genius.

Despite protests from artists the world over (including a nasty caricature from Picasso and an equally grotesque portrait from Buffet), Ignatius has persisted in his absurd binge.

First, he tried to join Kachina, but found out that this august group had been hired for a mob scene in a new "Teenage Sly-Drooler" movie. Then, deciding that his talents deserved more anyway, he applied to National Thespians for membership. Fate was against him, however, for, at the last minute, his opium pipe became clogged.

Having been rebuffed by the Lamar Drama Department, Snigglefritz volunteered his services to some of the local playhouses . . . free. He was accepted. Ignatius's first role was the lecherous butler in a typical, miscast Herbert Kramer production. Unfortunately, he dropped his serving tray twice and stabbed the wrong person four times before he was finally dropped from the cast.

Drama no longer has any place for Snigglefritz. It almost tore my heart out to watch him slowly doff his resplendent gold-and-rhinestone sunglasses and his two foot "I was a depression cigarette holder for Franklin Delano Roosevelt" cigarette holder. Poor Ignatius even hocked his black velvet opera cape and washed out his "Mama Denney" gray streak. Don't you just hate to see a grown man cry! The whole thing almost tore my heart out. Actually, I was laughing derisively at the time, but it was Snigglefritz who, envisioning himself as Kramer's Japanese house-boy (named Saki-ni, because he was always drunk on rice wine), plunged again into his role and almost got me with a kitchen knife where four buxom beauties had failed.

Of course, even failure has its compensations. I can't name one right off, but that's the way it goes. Snigglefritz has now gone into art. After seeing the Art Museum's last exhibit of modern art, he decided that any five-year-old could do it. Unfortunately, Snigglefritz isn't a five-year-old; his blobs lack the symbolic significance of the contemporary French artists. In art, apparently, there is no rule that a blob by any other name . . .

Finally, however, the drama binge is over. I no longer have to cope with "Dahlings" and "but, of courses" that would even make Auntie Mame sick. Now he's become a reentry top drawer artist! Well, if not top drawer, at least he's quiet.

ALUMNI NEWS

Malinda Bean
Among Beauties

Malinda Bean, who graduated from Lamar in '56, has been selected one of the ten most beautiful coeds at the University of Texas.

At the university she has been a member of the Turtle Club, a synchronized swimming group. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi social sorority. At Lamar she was active as an ROTC sponsor.

Patrick Riley, a senior petroleum engineering major at the University of Oklahoma, has been elected house manager of the Phi Delta Theta social fraternity chapter there.

Roger Wright, a second-year law student at the University of Texas, has received the \$300 Law Class of 1936 Scholarship for the 1958-59 school year.

A '53 Lamar graduate, he is in his fifth year at college. He holds a bachelor's degree. Roger is a member of Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity, Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and Phi Sigma Alpha honorary government and political science fraternity.

Melinda Robinson, a second-year student at Greenbrier College in Lewisburg, West Virginia, has been selected by the dean and the faculty to serve as a coordinator for all of the departments on the Greenbrier newspaper.

Also president of the chorus at Greenbrier, Melinda was vice-president of Lamar-O-Liers while at Lamar in '57. She was a member of Mirabeau social-service club.

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'ROUND THE TOWN

Month of February Laden With Valentine's Fetes

BY ANITA JONES

Revived from finals, Lamarites began a new rush of parties.

Pinkie McKinney and Mrs. J. W. McKinney gave a Bermuda short party honoring Judy Rice on February 7. Some of Judy's friends there were Vicky Seibert, Laura Jane Winfrey, Elaine Theuman, and Jean Ann Parker.

Sidney Richards and Mary Jean Richards gave a formal at Lake-side Country Club on January 31. Among the couples were Lou Parks and Tom Herren, Carol Ericsson and David Logan, Lyn Kuhn and Paul Norwood and Bonnie Hines and Shelby Star.

Pat Norton and Carolyn Simma gave a luncheon at the Houston Club and invited Linda Arnold, Jeannie Snyder, Jeanice Davis, and Margie Leaverton.

Braeburn Country Club was the scene of the Palamar Formal on February 14. Enjoying the music of Ed Sullivan's orches-

tra were Lynn Gast and Sandy Trickey, Betsy Kaiser and Jim Vick, Toby Trumps and David Harris, and Babs Blum and Jeff Thompson.

Judy Rice and Lou Parks gave a party for their old homeroom from Lanier. Bobby Padfield, Dale Kelly, John Kalb, Kylene Perry, Rosalynn Revis, and Dee Post renewed old acquaintances.

MASQUERADE

Kay Patton, Kay Culbertson, Carol Childress, Rosemary Davidson, Patsy Kennedy, and Judy Fleming will host a masquerade party on February 27. The disguised couples will include Maureen Daniel and Roy Han-

kins, Margaret Hoover and Joe DeLorenzo, Meredith Ingram and Woody Tompkins, and Sherry Strater and Lynn Zarr.

Ice skating at the coliseum on Wednesday, January 27, were Dorothy Lewis, Ellen Garvey, Tommy Rankin, Joe Freeman,

Kathleen Much, and Doris Dwor-

sky. Robert Baldwin and Bill Law-hon gave a surprise party for John Woolsey on January 30. Plotting for the surprise were Bill Brizzolara and Patty Hus-ton, Beverly Earle and Barry Bryson and Diane Loveless and Dickie Stillwell.

Mrs. Tom Bagby gave a coke party honoring Rosemary Davi-son on February 4. The guest list included Carol Hlig, Barbara Cur-tis, Katly Flanagan, Elizabeth Blundell and Linda Hines.

Mary Musgrove, Jane Sick and Nellie Thomas gave a going-away party for Ann Neuen-schwander.

MID-TERM GALA

The Houston Country Club was the scene of the Polka Dots' Mid-Term Gala. Nancy Young and Bobby Dailey, Laura Walsh and Gerry Franklin, Kathy Malick and Robert Eaton, Joanne Ed-mundson and Jay Tucker and Karon Hughes and Pat Marshall were there.

The Wichaka Formal will be given at the Sagewood Country Club on February 28. Some of the members and their dates include Ann Carter and Harper Mahon, and Charlette Loucks and John Hensbest.

Martha Hodges was the host-ess of a coke party at the Cohen House at Rice Institute. Her guest list included Marjorie Hines, Bonnie Hubby, Annis Hud-son, Marilyn Melton and Mickey Gaine.

Buddy Brock's Orchestra played at the annual Junior Achiev-ement Sweetheart Ball at the col-iseum on February 17.

Pow Wow had a party at the home of Robert Baldwin. Look-ing forward to the induction of new members were some of the Pow Wow members and their dates, John Heinzerling and San-dye Cooke, Fred Lawrence and Barbara Smith, and Linn Drap-er and Lydia Blair.

Mrs. W. H. Bruyere gave a punch party honoring Nancy Earle, who just came to Lamar. Celebrating their graduation were Linda Garnett, Prissy Hess, Susan Gandy, Carolyn Dudley, and Judith Ennis.

Jerriann Whitcomb gave a Val-entine tea on February 14.



WHAT'S YOUR ADVICE?

Columnist Ann Landers and Anne Watts

Landers Visits Houston, Interviewed By Anne Watts

BY ANNE WATTS

"I write my column to help people, not to entertain them," said syndicated advice columnist Ann Landers to a group of high school journalists Monday, Janu-ary 12, at Reagan High.

Miss Landers, strikingly attired in a red silk dress made for her in Hong Kong and a white straw, chiffon-streamered, Auntie Mame-type hat, looked every inch the "woman of the world" as she delivered her 45 minute speech on teenage problems. Famed for her clever remarks, Miss Landers ful-filled the students' greatest ex-pectations by directing her sar-castic humor at everyone pres-ent, including the master of cere-

monies, Morris Frank, and the Reagan principal.

Beneath her humor, however, lay sound advice. This accounts for the fact that her column is syndicated in 290 newspapers, in-cluding some in foreign countries. Miss Landers' column draws so many letters that she needs an office staff of six secretaries to aid her. The secretaries are for opening, sorting, typing, and sealing letters. Miss Landers does the actual advice-giving herself.

Miss Landers, who is Mrs. Jules Lederer in private life, is the wife of a ballpoint pen man-ufacturer and the mother of a 19 year old college girl.

When she began the column three years ago, after the first Ann Landers died, it was only in a handful of newspapers. Her "hobby" has grown to tremen-dous proportions and is now a full time job.

Miss Landers is a graduate of Morningside College in Iowa, where she studied journalism and psychology. While in high school, she wrote a column similar to "Trot Pol" or "Hither, Thither" for her school paper.

After entertaining and advis-ing the journalists at Reagan, Miss Landers was whisked away to speak before a standing-room-only crowd at the Rice Hotel Crystal Ballroom.

Her visit to Houston was spon-sored by The Houston Chronicle, in which her column appears daily.

Lamar students attending the Reagan program included Anne Watts, Robert French, and Nancy Young.

Texas University Urges Students' Summer Entrance

The University of Texas urges June high school graduates to begin attending the college in the summer, rather than waiting un-till fall.

Some advantages offered by summer attendance, as outlined by University Vice-President L. D. Haskew, include:

More advisors on duty to guide entering freshmen.

Smaller classes in air-conditioned buildings.

More room for study in air-con-ditioned libraries and easier ac-cess to library books.

Extra study time provided by light social calendar.

Smoothen transition to Univer-sity life at a less-heckle time of year.

Sketchers' Club Makes Sand Casts At West Beach

Members of the Sketchers' Club made sand casts on Galveston's West Beach on Saturday, Janu-ary 24. First they made an im-pression in wet sand, something like a mold. Parts to be raised in the finished plaque were dug out, and parts to be indented were built up.

When the impressions were completed, they poured plaster of paris into them and allowed it to dry. An interesting surface effect is produced by the sand. Some of the plaques will be en-tered in Foley's Scholastic Ex-hibit and the Post's Easter Show.

Those making the field trip were Arthur Sauter, Robert Eat-on, Carolyn Thompson, Susan Campbell, John Von Eiff, Char-lotte Wright, Mary Jane Aston, Walter Pinkston, Priscilla Chain and Miss Genevieve Filson, spon-sor.

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—By Mary Ellis

Debate Squad Takes First At Adamson

The Debate Squad won first in Sweepstakes at the Adamson Invitational Tournament, held at Adamson High School in Dallas, January 30 and 31.

Second place in debate was won by Carmen Stallings and Gene Clements; thirds were won by Jim Bass and Doug Shupiro and Wayne Shull and Edwin Burton.

In individual events, Frances Brownlee won first in after-din-ner, Carmen Stallings won first in oratory, and Gene Clements won firsts in extemp and decla-mation.

Seconds were won by Carmen Stallings in extemp and Dorwayne Phelps in oratory.

"The squad has two more trips this year—to Beaumont and Bay-lor," announced debate coach Mrs. Edith Roberts.

Dickens' Novel Portrayed on TV

A presentation of "David Cop-perfield," adapted from the fa-mous novel by Charles Dickens, began Wednesday, February 4, on KUHT-TV, Channel 8. It will be shown in thirteen episodes presented weekly at 8:30 pm.

This program will be of special interest to high senior students who are studying English lit-erature and any students particu-larly interested in the novels of Charles Dickens.

Bedford Conducts Work-Shop For All-State Chorus

All state choir members and alternates from Region V held a work-shop at Lamar in room 314, February 10. Dr. Wayne Bedford was clinician. Dr. Bedford comes from Austin College and he and his choir toured Europe last summer. At present he is minis-ter of music at Second Presby-terian Church.

Students and directors from the following schools attended the work shop: Galveston, Baytown, Galena Park, Bryan, Spring Branch, Huntsville, LaMarque, South Houston, Rosenberg, Bell-aire, and Lamar.

The choral directors were en-tertained at a luncheon in the homemaking department spon-sored by the Mixed Chorus and La-mar-O-Liers (Thanks to Mrs. Vi-delle Wilson).

Students from Lamar were Le-titia Kinzbach, Gerald Lowther, Jim Garner, and Larry Hitt.

Nine 'Hams' Reorganize Old Club Under Coats

CQ, CQ, CQ, calling CQ, this is K5DJS calling CQ, CQ, CQ—what say, somebody?

Does this sound foreign to you? Well, this is only part of the everyday dialect of mem-bers of the Lamar HSARC, which means Lamar High School Ama-teur Radio Club.

This club, first organized three years ago by Bert Adkins, was disbanded, then reorganized this year under the sponsorship of Mrs. Alma Coats, science teach-er.

The boys meet in the old teach-ers lounge on the third floor, where they have assembled a transmitter and receiver. If you happen to glance at the roof don't be surprised to see their

window antenna. The nine members of the club have talked to "hams" in Eng-land, Australia, Peru, Mexico, Canada, Alaska, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary.

The members extend an invita-tion to all boys at Lamar to come to the meetings, whether they are "hams" or not, so long as they are interested in electron-ics. (See related picture page 5)

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NEW A & M SWEETHEART

Tommye Lou Savage, senior, was chosen the new Sweet-heart of A & M. Placing the crown on Tommye Lou's head is Audrey Riggs, last year's sweetheart, who is also a senior at Lamar.

TEEN-AGERS SPEAK OUT

18-Year-Old Vote? Yes? No?

Why should 18 to 21 year olds be included in our voting cit-izenry?

Ask half a dozen adults that question and one or two will say that they lack experience, another couple will say that they don't know, a fifth will say that they should, and the last will probably say "Don't ask me, I'm new here, too." In other words, people just don't understand the problem.

Getting to the root of things, we might ask ourselves why 21 was chosen as the arbitrary age when one becomes, in the legal sense, a man? The answer to this question lies in medieval England where a boy became a man when he could bear the weight of a full suit of armor — about 21 years. This arbitrary age became a part of the English Common Law which has been handed down to us. The ironic aspect of this is that the classic argument in fa-vor of 18-year-old voting — one which those against the measure shrug off as illogical — is that anyone old enough to bear arms for his country is old enough to vote. Yet, this was the identical basis upon which age 21 was chosen as the point that a boy became a man.

Another reason which those against the bill state as impor-tant is the 18-year-old's lack of experience. "How can you expect a juvenile delinquent in a motor-cycle jacket to vote intelligently?" they ask, ignoring the adult criminals, representing the same tiny minority of the adult popu-lation, which is no more capable of voting. As a matter of fact, since civics is a high school re-quirement and government a col-lege requirement at our state uni-versities, the average 18 to 21 year old is more likely to be an interested, effective voter than Dad, who glances over the first page briefly, then turns to the Sports Section.

By the way, while we're on the

subject, look for a moment at the "Dad's" voting record. Only 40 percent of the adult population votes, these being those who are too uninterested to care. Appar-ently, about the same ratio will hold true for the younger age group, indicating that, as is the case with the older group, those least capable will probably not vote.

The biggest argument in favor of 18-year-old voting, however, is the sociological developments within our country since World War II. Couples have been get-ting married and taking on the responsibilities of a home and family younger and younger. To take a grimmer view, even the police have recognized that the 18-year-old is mentally adult; they now treat juvenile delinquents of that age as adult criminals — and some want to lower this age still further.

In other words, the adults against younger voting are typi-fied by a rather egocentric con-cept that they and they alone are qualified to vote. "Kids" of 19 or 20 are "irresponsible" or "easily led." Unfortunately, they seem to deny this argument when morally, emotionally, and men-tally, they expect maturity at 18, the more logical age of sep-aration.

When you boil the question down it becomes a simple com-parison between the average adult voter and the average 19 or 20 year old. Take a long look at the "responsible, effective" adult voter and then check on your average "irresponsible kid" — then vote . . . in favor of 18-year-old voting.

—By Gene Clements
"Young people bear other heavy responsibilities, why not voting?" This belief is held by many people; but is it really true?

Even though the Constitution gives the states the right to lower their voting age, only three,

Georgia, Kentucky, and Alaska, have taken advantage of it. President Eisenhower proposed a bill to lower the age limit to 18 when he first took office, but no action has been taken as yet.

The famous saying "Old enough to fight, old enough to vote," surprisingly originated from the soldiers after the War of 1812. However this saying has nothing to do with the question, because fighting presents a phys-ical ability rather than mental. A 9-year-old might pay taxes, but he certainly wouldn't be qual-ified to vote.

Therefore a person must be mature to vote. He should be able to question the stand of the can-didate and form his own conclu-sions.

Of the countries allowing teen-agers to vote, eight out of seven-teen are Communist dictator-ships. The Central and South American countries are obviously not politically sound, although they permit 18-year-olds to vote. These examples have shown that an 18-year-old is too young to have this responsibility.

The reduction in age would eventually mean the right to make contracts and bring law suits. Laws would require jury duty of 18-year-olds. It could up-set the economical and social or-ganization of our nation.

There is a passable compromise however — 19. The 19-year-old takes an interest in public af-fairs. While most 18-year-olds are still in high school, the 19-year-olds will have been out in the world for a year, and out of the high school environment. Most have been working for a year or are freshmen in college.

The voting age is a more im-portant problem than most people seem to realize. Each voter should examine the question before forming an opinion.

CLUB NEWS

Officers, Projects Keep Groups Busy

Mirabeau

Mirabeau, girls' social-service club, has chosen mother advisors and committee chairmen for the spring term. The new advisors, all mothers of senior officers in Mirabeau, are Mrs. I. D. Breedlove, Jr., Mrs. C. R. Bergstrom, and Mrs. Howard Tellepsen.

Susan Ellis is the newly appointed cookie sale chairman. Nancy Culbertson and Gail Norris will be in charge of the Mirabeau scrapbook.

Mrs. Mary K. Staats sponsors Mirabeau.

Ramal

Larry Hitt, outgoing vice-president, has been elected new president of Ramal, announced Travis Brosche, outgoing president at the club's semi-annual dinner-dance, held at River Oaks Country Club, January 17, 1959.

Other new officers are Jere Wicker, vice-president; Tom Herren, secretary; Mike Dalton, treasurer; Pat Harragan, sports chairman; Joe Ince, publicity chairman; Neal Vogan, sports chairman; and John Kirkman, chaplain.

Outgoing president Brosche presided at the ceremony which included short talks by Dr. Woodrow Watts, principal, and Rev. Durwood Fleming, pastor of St. Luke's Methodist Church. A gift was given to the outgoing president who cast a few well-chosen pearls.

Tawasi

Correction: Tawasi officers for the Spring Term also include Pat Norton, Recording Secretary, and Anne Hoover, Corresponding Secretary.

Spanish

The new Spanish Club held its organizational meeting Friday, February 6, with sponsor Mrs. Videlle Wilson. Approximately sixty members attended. They approved the constitution and elected officers as follows: president, Bob Ball; vice-president, Jeri Ann Whitcomb; program chairman, Tom Herren; secretary, Tiva Blancas; treasurer, Joanne Edmundson.

The club's future activities will include films, speakers, and dancers. Spanish will be spoken.

FFA

Jim Able, Bill Davidson, and John Stuckly, members of the Lamar Chapter of the Future Farmers of America have been spending all their spare time the past six weeks taking care of the chickens which they are raising to show in the Houston Fat Stock Show, February 25-March 8.

Jim, a senior, has four hundred chickens. One hundred of these called Caponettes, have been given a special hormone designed to promote growth. Jim says that

Caponettes are very popular on the West Coast where he has worked for his uncle, who raises Caponettes for the Koshier and Chinese markets. Jim is trying to create a market for Caponettes in Houston. Caponettes weigh between 5 and 6 pounds and taste like small turkeys.

From his remaining 300 fryers Jim has selected 100 of the best. From these Jim will choose the five best to enter in the Fat Stock Show.

Bill Davidson has 25 fryers and John Stuckly has 37. They will each enter five of their best chickens in the competition.

Radio Guild

Attention! All interested in the technical side of Lamar's many voices, take heed. Classes are now being planned for those students who are interested in the sound equipment of Lamar. These classes, under the sponsorship of the Radio Guild and Mrs. Guinevere Nash, will be held either before or after school once a week. Instructions will be given in the operation of the tape recorder, microphones, sound equipment, Public Address System, and the making of the morning announcements at Lamar. Students interested should contact Mrs. Nash in T-3 or listen for the announcement over the P. A. system.

J.A.'s

Monday night, January 26, 80 Junior Achievement companies including 1600 achievers, participated in a trade fair at the Sam Houston Coliseum. The trade fair officially started Junior Achievement week, which ended Sunday, February 1.

The Phil-Jac Company, sponsored by the Phillips Petroleum Company, was judged as having the best booth. The booths were judged on sales power, originality, attractiveness, workmanship and keeping within a budget.

Second place was won by the Amco Company, sponsored by Tennessee Gas Transmission Company. A tie for third place was announced between the Tre-Tex Company, sponsored by the WKM Company, and the Principles Company, sponsored by Petro-Tex Chemical Corp.

Approximately 15,000 persons bought over \$10,000 worth of goods, including house markers, garbage carriers, and cutting boards.

English Exhibit Of Children's Art Held in February

The English Speaking Union would like to announce that an art exhibit will be held through the month of February. It opened on February 4 with a tea from 4-7 o'clock. The art exhibit includes fifty paintings by children from England. The paintings are the winners of a painting contest carried on by several London newspapers.



ROTC PROGRAM SHOWN

All sophomores were given an introduction to ROTC by Capt. Snyder during the first week of the Spring Semester. The five hours included combat films of the Korean Action, demonstration of 22 rifle firearms, and preview of the three year ROTC program.

In the pictures, Capt. Snyder is instructing the third period gym class of Coach Fred Pepper in Army Physical Conditioning Exercises.

ROTC Awards, Medals, Pins, And Procedure Explained

"I've! Sue! Look! I've been promoted!" exclaimed Bill, as he proudly showed her two silver round things on his collar.

"That's wonderful . . . uh-uh what do those little things on your collar mean?"

"Those little things on my right collar are silver pins, which along with the crossed rifles on my left collar, indicate my rank of First Lieutenant."

"A boy starts in Reserve Officers Training Corps as a private. He is usually a private about twelve weeks before he is promoted to Private First Class. About sixteen weeks later he is promoted to Corporal, which is usually the squad leadership position."

"In the next rank as Sergeant, the ROTC cadet holds one of three ranks: Sergeant; Sergeant First Class, who usually, like the Platoon Sergeant, handles all executive activities of the platoon; First Sergeant, as an enlisted man who holds the highest position next to the Commanding Officer."

"With his next promotion the cadet receives his commission. He is then a Second Lieutenant, with one silver pin on his right collar and crossed rifles on his left collar. He is normally platoon leader or company executive officer. As a First Lieutenant the cadet is normally the Commanding Officer or he may be on the Battle Group Staff."

"Promoted to Captain the cadet wears crossed rifles and three silver pins. As a major he wears crossed rifles and a silver, diamond-shaped pin on his right collar."

"Lieutenant Colonel, with crossed rifles and two diamond-shaped pins, holds the highest rank that can be obtained in any one pin. The Full Colonel, with crossed rifles and three diamond-shaped pins, is regimental commander or in command of all R.O.T.C.'s in the Houston Public School System."

"To receive a promotion the cadets must participate in many extra-curricular activities and do a good job in the positions he holds."

Griffing Inspects ROTC Formations; Promotions Told

Major General Louis S. Griffing inspected the Reserve Officers Training Corps in ranks Wednesday, February 11.

Lamar was one of the two schools in Houston selected to put on a show for General Griffing, who is the Deputy Commander of the Fourth United States Army.

General Griffing presented Dr. Woodrow Watts, principal, with an honorary commission as Colonel.

Mr. Edward Trongone directed the Lamar Band during the inspection.

The Battle Group of Lamar's ROTC furnished the color guard for the National Electronics Week Program held at the Shamrock Hilton, Sunday, February 8.

On Wednesday, February 4, Andy Anderson and Karen Tel-

lepsen were promoted to Major.

Promotions to Captain were presented to Gail Norris, David Carter, Carol Fannin, Medford Stuckey, Jerry Fonville, and Margo Garrett.

Christian Youth Holds Services In Local Churches

"The purpose of the Christian Youth Week was to get students to accept the responsibility of living in the house of God," stated Dan Durst, president of the Christian Youth Council.

The Christian Youth Week began with services in the local churches on Sunday, January 25. During the week, services were held for Lamar students in the chapel of St. John's Episcopal Church from 7:45 to 8 each morning before school. Tuesday morning CSU was held in the Lamar auditorium as usual. Gene Niel was the speaker.

Monday morning Rev. Noble of St. John's spoke and Kay Olsen gave a devotional. Mr. Sunday of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Rev. Knowles of First Christian, and Rev. Durwood Fleming of St. Luke's Methodist completed the week. Four different denominations were thus represented.

The week ended with a city-wide observance at First Methodist Church. Grady Hardin of SMU, Charles Pieper, baseball player at the University of Houston, and Temple Tucker, ex-baseball player from Rice spoke on the Youth Week theme, "Dare we live in the household of God?"

The Christian Youth Council, which is interdenominational and inter-racial, has been composed of high school students who were members of local church youth groups. The council is writing a new constitution which will put membership on a church-empowered basis.

Astronomy Club Gets Observatory

The Astronomy Club, an active member of the Association of Lamar and Planetary Observers ALPO, has started building a permanent observatory on the George Parker ranch.

The 15 by 25 foot building will have a sliding roof that can be pushed back at night to view the stars. The boys have an 8 inch telescope that they bought 2 years ago to sweep the skies for meteors and stellar bodies.

The club was organized 3 years ago and in that short time they have made 130 drawings of planets and the moon, taken numerous photographs of stellar bodies, and turned in more than 2,000 meteor observations to the ALPO. Altogether 2.5 percent of all that have been submitted during the International Geophysical Year.

Arden Ferguson, president; Allan Parker, vice-president; and Norman Buell said that the observatory will be finished next summer and the materials for the observatory are being donated by 11 Houston firms.

"Warigearth" In English Class

If strange sounds were heard coming from the inclosure of Miss Helen Greenwood's third period major work English VIII class Tuesday, February 4, they can be attributed to the recording of "Beowulf," which was being played.

Normally such a recording would not produce strange sounds, but the poem was being read in Olde Englishe in a genuine Anglo-Saxon tone. Written in the modern alphabet, a passage would read something like this:

Warigenth, wulf-hleohtu, windige naessas,
Freene, fen-gelad, thaer frygen-stream
Under naessa genipu, nither gewiteth
Flod uner foldam.

After playing a selection of "Beowulf" several times, Miss Greenwood then wrote on the board, The Lord's Prayer translated into the same language.



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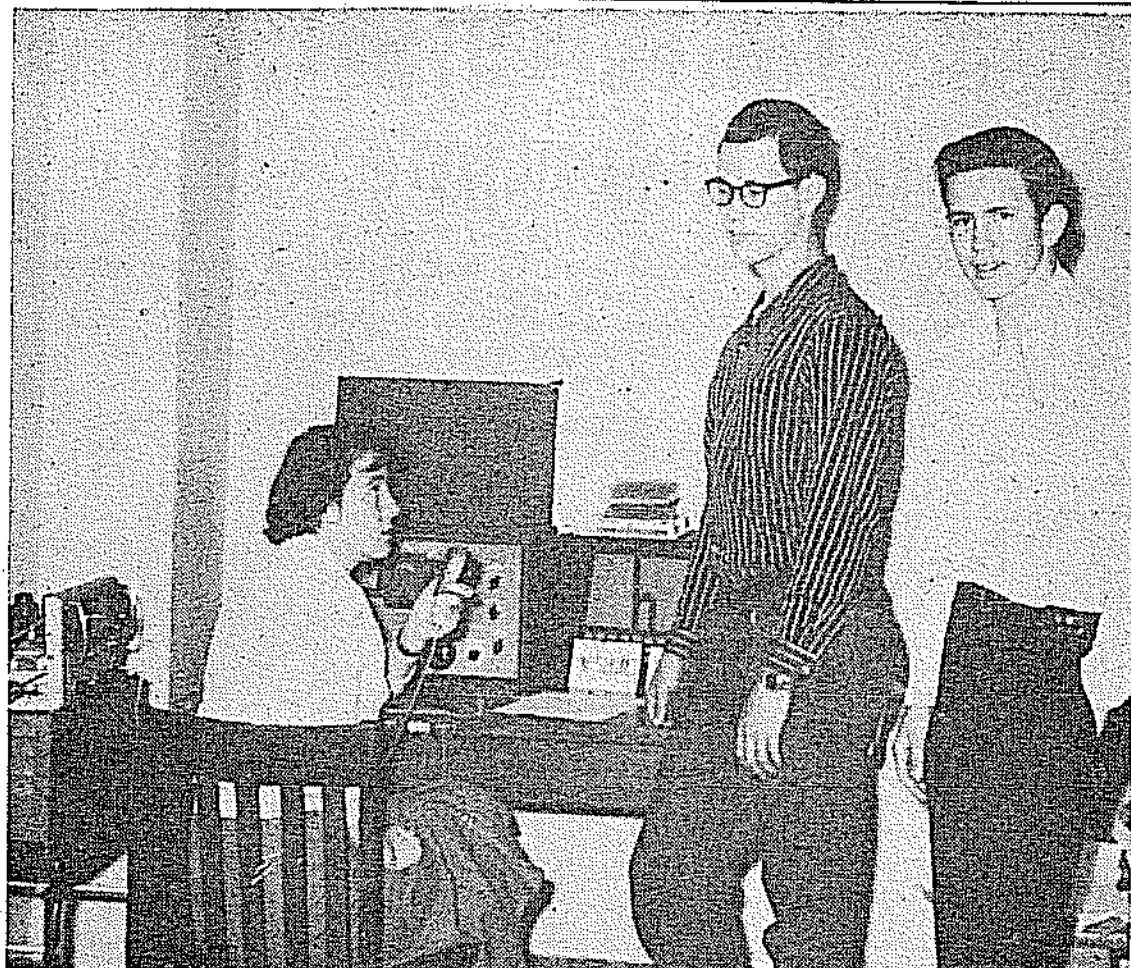
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Jaunting Around Europe, Maru Osborne Studies Customs

BY LOU PARKS

Bright-eyed Mary Osborne boarded the "Queen Frederica" at New York on July 3, 1958 to sail around the world for the second time in her life. Mary is quite a traveler and hopes to do something with traveling as a career. When she was eleven years old, she made the trip with her parents but "remembers different kinds of things this trip." This voyage extended 6½ months.

One often wonders what it is like on a big ship like the "Queen Frederica." Mary said she just had a wonderful time and hated to leave the good times on the ship. Young people from all over the world were passengers. They

were Greeks, Italians, and Spaniards in said order. There were only about forty Anglos on the ship. Mary described a day on board as follows: "We slept until lunch which was at one o'clock. After lunch we sat around the swimming pool or swam until time to dress for dinner. After dinner we attended a dance on the upper deck. I never learned so many kinds of dances and versions of dances in my life."

Upon getting off the ship at Naples, Mary and her mother took a side trip to Amalfi, a little town in Italy on the Mediterranean. "I would love to come back here someday," day-dreamed Mary. "It is the most beautiful place I have ever seen. The sea looks like a bottomless pit with the surrounding beautiful mountains looking like they drop right into it." The island of Capri was the next stop. Mary was very disappointed in it, because she said there were so many tourists, you could not even see the island. But she was thoroughly impressed with a cave on the island, the Blue Grotto. In her opinion the whole trip would have been worth everything if she had gotten to see nothing else. She describes the cave in her own words, "It was a big, enormous cave with a tiny hole cut in the rock below the surface of the water. The sunlight hits the ocean on the outside, filters through the blue water of the Mediterranean and goes through the cut in the rock and illuminates the water in the cave. It is indescribably blue water. Swimming in this water was very impressive. It was cold but the beauty was so breath-taking you did not notice the coldness."

"The most beautiful city in the world is Rome," exclaimed Mary. "It is all it is made out to be, and I could not begin to tell all about it." While in Rome Mary saw the opera "Aida" at the Baths of Caracalla, an outdoor amphitheatre. "I was just awed with the magnificence of the stage here. In the course of the play four horses drawing a carriage galloped on the stage; 300 people were on at one time; and at another two camels looked perfectly natural in the desert setting. It was big!"

Mary stopped to tell that she thinks the most that she got out of this second trip was a widened knowledge of art. "The museums

and studios we visited were just fascinating. I really learned to appreciate art and its creators," said Mary.

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Choralettes Give Program At Rice Institute

Wiss College of The Rice Institute was the scene of the Choralettes' "Evening of Music" program, February 16.

Mr. Lee S. Keding, director of Choralettes, announced that Gail Jordan soloed during the singing of the Gershwin Medley.

"Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" featured India Chrene while Judy Bullard sang "Serenade to a Student Prince."

"If I Loved You," with Barbara Hoffman, preceded "My Friend," by Liz Lamkin.

Several groups appeared to entertain as trios and quartettes. These included the "Starlettes," Dene Hofheinz, Barbara Hamilton, and Marilyn Melton; the "Tonemaidens," Liz Lamkin, Audrey Riggs, and Sukey Fenoglio; the "Kedettes," Betty Newman, Judy Wax, Jean Holman, and Pricilla Hester, pianist, and the "Barbarettes," Ramona Bowen, Liz Mobley, Linda Ley, and Linda Gray.

With "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the Choralettes closed the show.

Egad!

Egad, I think I see one By jove man, I think you do Oh my, how I'd hate to be one Agreed! My friend, and I'm with you!

—John Badger

Courtroom Drama Packs House On All Three Nights

Betty Knauth, who graduated at mid-term, was judged guilty of murder Saturday, January 31, after being acquitted the two preceding nights in the Drama Department's presentation of "The Night of January 16."

The juries, chosen from the audience, deliberated about fifteen minutes before deciding. The courtroom drama has two endings to take care of either decision.

The play was presented in the drama building and played to packed houses all three nights.

The cast included Nick Kuntz, Bob Foxworth, Betty Knauth, Barbara Bergstrom, Marty Bradt, Kris Schleeter, Clint Baird, Arthur Robinson, Clayton Munger, Tommy Soreiro, Charles Oldham, Ennis Adkins, Laura Jane Winfrey, Anne Browne, Dan Durst, Tom Parker, and David Dombrowa.

Future Farmers Hold Banquet

The Lamar Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its annual Father and Son Banquet, Wednesday, February 11, at Youngblood's. Awards were presented to outstanding members.

On February 9, two delegates from Lamar attended the FFA District Meeting, held this month at Sam Houston High School.

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—Jim Sena

T.V. and radio are full of rhymes,
Describing every kind of product.
I wonder who stays up at night,
To think the jingles up.

Must be some strange and inward force,
Which drives them on to write.
Or could it be, they like their work
And feel a satisfaction from it?

Now if I were asked to voice my thoughts,
I wish they would not write,
So we the ones who listen,
Could hear their "corn" less often.

—Lee Doggett

War—a harsh, deadly word
Expressing horror and agony
Threatens all.

Nations cease to be whole;
Families are sacrificed
As are the sensitive
Hearts of men.

Those men who care not
Live on, only to destroy heedlessly.

Why? I know not. But beware,
Unsuspecting world!

—Meg Bradford

Farewell, Jamaica

The whistle blows its last warning,
Now it is time to be leaving
The island of tropical lure.
The ship streams with confetti,
And the calypso beat is heavy
As the gangplank is raised
From the quay.

As the ship slowly glides out to sea
The music fades,
The water turns turquoise, emerald, blue.
The island is a green line against the Caribbean sky,
And so we say goodbye
To Jamaica.

Martha Myrick

The Kill

It was a cold morning; the mist still sparkled on the golden stubble across the pond. Just as the sun sparkled over the deep blue of the pond, four fat sprigs answered cony calls. They circled once and began the long descent into the vividly painted decoys. The ducks were close now. The black and white markings on their heads and backs were illuminated in the golden rays of the sun. Just as they cup their wings, two loud blasts shatter the still, crisp air. Two ducks now float like shapeless masses among the gently swaying decoys; the others fast become dots in the grayish-blue sky. All is still; the stage is again set for the kill.

—Lin Herndon

End of Sadness

She loved sad things
Or so she said
But who was she to say
Of what was right
Or what was wrong
For she took her life away.

She loved sad things
Or so she said
But she proved herself far wrong
For isn't life itself a song?
A song eternally sad?

—Jo Fran Kovach

Mr. Jesser

I once had a classmate named Jesser
Whose knowledge grew lesser and lesser
It at last grew so small
He knew nothing at all
And now he's a high school professor.

—Roy Chambers

The Daydreamer

Looking out the window, to my delight,
I can escape all the dull and trite.
Chemistry, geometry and history too,
I can even go fishing if it's the same to you.
What a wonderful time I have in my reverie;
Dreaming throughout my English III.

—David Dudley

Loud Silence

This loud silence!
Why is it I must hear this loud silence?
Only memories swell within my mind,
Mistakes I have made.
Oh! This loud silence.
Heaven or Hell, which e're it be,
Take me! take me from this loud silence,
Why do these dreadful mistakes possess my mind?
Why? Why? Why?
What? This loud silence—
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To plunge into the deep, dark watery abyss
To never feel the warmth of Day—only the cold of Night
And as my carrion body drifts through the currents
I ask myself — is This my life—
is This my fate?

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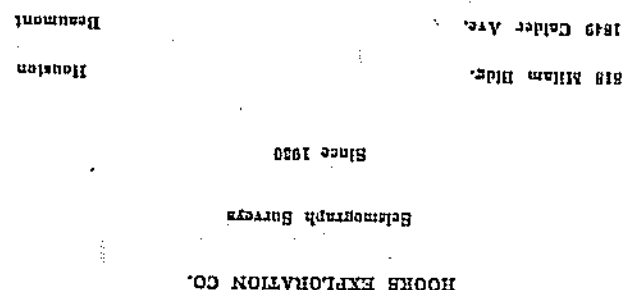
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200 Athletes Begin Practice For Baseball

Under the guidance of Coach M. A. "Sandy" Sanderson the Lamar baseball team started its workouts Monday, February 16. Sanderson stated earlier last week that he expected to have about 200 boys out for the team.

The Indians will play eight district games again this year on a double round-robin basis. District play is against Bellaire, Austin, Jones, and San Jacinto. Besides district games the Indians will play Reagan, Milby, Davis, and Sam Houston in intra-city play plus a number of games against out of town foes.

This year there will be a "B" team for sophomores and juniors who fail to make the "A" team.

When asked who would coach the "B" team, Sanderson replied that it would be one of the ex-players from one of the teams in the last two years. Jim Berly and Lee Raesner seem to be the leading candidates for the job.



'SPORTS' WIN

The winner of the fall Cherokee Bowling Tournament was the "Sports" with 48 wins and no losses. The Lucky Strikers came in second with 45 wins and 3 losses.

Betty Elster led the "Sports" with an average of 143. Dolly Phillips was second with a 136 average. Kitty Bergamini was next with a 134. Ellen Garvey followed with a 128. Alwylda Bannister next with a 103 and Marsha Bernich with a 92 average.

Spring Cherokee bowling is now in full swing.

The teams bowl against each other on Mondays and Tuesdays or every week.

Pictured above, left to right, Ellen Garvey, Dolly Phillips, Kitty Bergamini, Alwylda Bannister, Betty Elster, Marsha Bernich.

'B' Team Squeezes By Bellaire In District Game

The Lamar "B" team ran their district record to four wins against no losses and their season record to 15 wins against two losses Friday afternoon, February 6, as the junior cagers downed Bellaire 54 to 53 in the Bellaire gym.

The Cardinals built up a 13 point lead by halftime only to see it melt away in the third and fourth periods as the Redskins, led by captains Kenny Wynne and Jerry Larson, poured in the points for their second come from behind victory in a row. Larson was the game's leading scorer with 22 points.

Coach Sanderson's crew will close out their regular season tomorrow afternoon, Thursday, February 19, at 3:30 against this same Bellaire team in the Lamar gym.

Jesse Jones Clips 'Skins' In Close Overtime Game

The Lamar Indians went on the war path a little too late Friday night, January 30, at Jeppesen Field House. The "Skins," facing Jesse Jones, lost an overtime thriller by a score of 61-58.

The Falcons held a 12-0 lead when Pat Harragan finally put the first two points on the scoreboard for Lamar. In the second period Dave Roemer showed some fancy out shooting to bring the Indians to a 20-28 score at the half.

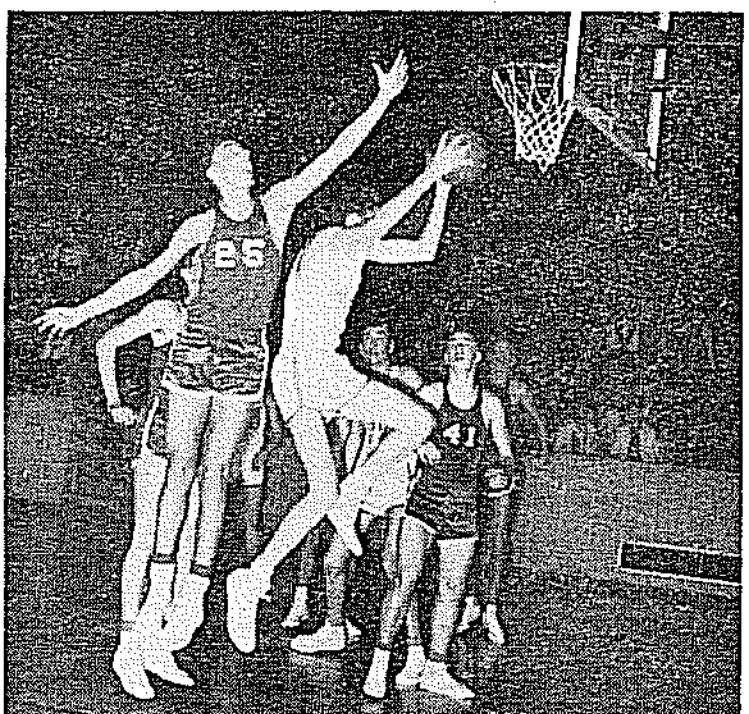
The third period was fast and furious and Lamar came within three points of the Falcons. The hot Falcons kept the lead all the way, however. In the final quarter with less than three minutes left to play Joe Ince made a basket and followed up stealing the ball and sinking the goal making the score 50-48 in Jones' favor. Following Ince's example Denny Moody, perhaps the game's most outstanding player, stole the ball twice to add tying scores in the last 45 seconds of play. With 32 seconds left Jones scored making the score 54-52. Pat Harragan then sent the game into overtime with his basket in the last 20 seconds.

In the overtime Harragan popped two free throws to give Lamar the lead. The Falcons raced

JONES				
Player	Pt	Fl	Fr	Tp
Elmore	3	3	1	0
Haragan	3	3	1	1
Phillips	3	3	1	1
Kelly	3	3	1	1
Allen	3	3	1	1
Southworth	3	3	1	1
McCliff	3	3	1	1
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LAMAR				
Haragan	3	3	1	0
Moody	3	3	1	0
Roemer	3	3	1	0
Ince	3	3	1	0
Longcope	3	3	1	0
Anderson	3	3	1	0
McCliff	3	3	1	0
Adams	3	3	1	0
Nelms	3	3	1	0
White	3	3	1	0

back and took the lead, 59-54, with a minute left. Don Longcope brought Lamar within a point with a goal in the last 26 seconds. Seconds later he received his fifth personal foul and left

the game. To seal the victory both free throws were good. Denny Moody led all scorers with 20 points while Phillips and Kelly had 19 each for the Falcons.



BATTLING FOR REBOUND are Jones' Gene Elmore (42) and Lamar's Denny Moody (25) as Don Longcope, Jr. (41) and Larry Phillips (52) look on. Lamar lost to the Falcons in overtime 61-to-58.

Swimming Team Winners in Meet At Lamar Pool

Lamar officially opened the high school swimming season Saturday, January 31, as the human ducks defeated Spring Branch 42 to 35 in a dual meet at the Lamar pool.

Though the dual meet was not formally scheduled, both teams showed great promise as they split the eight-event meet with four first places each. Depth paid off for the Indians as they were able to win the meet on second and third places.

Tommy Soriero, one of the state's top distance freestylers, did not compete for Lamar. Coach Hal Tate stated before the meet started that Soriero was still not in condition and would not be entered in the meet. Tate went on to say that he expected to have Tommy ready in time for the dual-meet season.

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Basketballers Surprise Austin In Upset Victory

Lamar moved into second place in district play with a 42 to 38 upset victory over the Austin Mustangs Thursday, February 5, at the Jeppesen Field House.

After trailing 13 to 8 at the end of the first period Denny Moody and Pat Harragan popped

in five field goals as the Indians took the lead with a little over a minute left in the first half. While Harragan and Moody were firing the Indians into the lead, Austin could only hit eight points, all by the Mustangs' all-city guard Dick Rosales.

Dual Meet Starts

The bowling Dual Meet between the Houston high schools began Thursday, February 5, for Lamar.

There will be a meet every Thursday against the various high schools. From these meets will be selected the girls who will play on the school city team.

Lamar played its first game Thursday, February 5 against Milby high school at the Harrisburg Recreation Center.

Indians Defeat San Jac Bears In District Win

Lamar evened its district record at one win and one loss as the Redskins defeated the San Jacinto Bears 54 to 44 Tuesday night, February 3, at the Jeppesen Field House.

The Indians were about as cold as the forty degree weather outside as the game started. After three minutes and five or six missed shots from close range, Don Longcope, Jr., popped in a short jump shot for the Indians' first two points of the night. From that point Lamar went on to build up leads which ranged from seven to eleven points in the first half. Roy Medley, the Bears' baseball and basketball star, popped in two long shots just before the half to cut the Indians' lead to seven, 25 to 18.

Early in the third quarter the Bears, mainly on the efforts of Medley and Ronnie Pyle, scored eleven points on the boards while Lamar could only manage three and took over the lead at 30 to 29. Pat Harragan hit a pair of buckets to put the Redskins back out in front for good.

Coach Longcope played a total of ten boys as he continued to keep fresh shooting power in the ball game at all times. His effort seemed to pay off as three men hit in the double figures. Dave Roemer was the high scorer in the game. The sophomore center hit six shots from the field and added four for four from the free throw line for a total of sixteen points. Next in the scoring column were Denny Moody with eleven and fast improving Gordon White with ten.

Winning Papooses Give Future Outlook

In the years to come Lamar should have one of the top basketball teams in the state of Texas. There are three reasons for this statement: 1. The "B" team is well upon its way to winning its third straight district title. 2. Lanier Jr. High, which is now the main school feeding Lamar, seems to be well on its way to winning its second straight league title and possibly its second city title in a row. 3. Of the top twelve players on this year's team there are only three seniors, of which one is a starter.

The "B" team holds victories over Jones, 72 to 45; San Jacinto, 67 to 42; Austin, 50 to 37; and Bellaire, 54 to 53 in district play. The games against Austin and Bellaire were played away from home last week and the boys showed what they were made of, in these two games. In both games at one point or another the Indians of coach M. A. Sanderson were as far as ten to thirteen points behind, only to come battling back and win the ball games.

The scoring has been well spread around among about five players. Against Jones, Weldon McDonald hit 12 points and Randy Geiselman had 11 for the Indians. Against San Jacinto the high scorer was Jerry Larson with 11. When the Indians knocked off the previously undefeated Ponies from Austin, Louis Abernathy and Kenny Wynne were the leading scorers with 11 points each. Against Bellaire Larson was again the leader in the point column with 22 points.

The Indians have averaged 61 points per game in district play while they have allowed their foes only 44 points a game. On only one occasion have the Indians been held under 60 points. That was against Milby on January 23 when Lamar beat the Buffs 36 to 31, in the Buffs' gym. The high for the year for Lamar was a 72 to 45 win over Jesse Jones. It seems that the "B" team has the same type of jinx over the Jones "B" team that the Jones varsity has over the Lamar varsity. The "B" team has beaten Jones three times already this year, all by good margins, while their varsity brothers have lost five games to the Falcons this year.

At Lanier, Coach Bunky Bradford again has a fine ball club and should be a great help in years to come.

Next year's ball club will have about eight returning lettermen. Non-seniors are Denny Moody,

Cory Adams, Tommy Nelms, Joe Ince, Don Longcope, Jr., Gordon White, Neal Vogan, David McStravick, and David Roemer, who will all be back next year with a year of varsity experience under their belts. Along with such boys as Abernathy, Geiselman, Larson, McDonald, and Wynne up from the "B" team and a good crew coming in from junior high school there should be many good basketball teams at Lamar.

Queen of Track Contest Planned

The Lamar track team is ready to pick another queen. Students began voting Monday, February 16. Elections are being held in the cafeteria at a penny per vote.

The clubs entered five candidates. They are: Maria Burke, Pow Wow; Pat Shannon, Ramal; Sukey Fenoglio, Irari; Neta Frazier, FFA; Carol Fannin, ROTC. The track team nominated five others: Barbara Hoffman, Susan Ellis, Pam Fleming, Sharon O'Shea, and Karen Tellepsen. The queen, wearing a white sweater with a "flying H" letter on it will represent Lamar at Houston Relays and District meets. She will also compete with queens of other schools in a beauty contest.

Money from the elections will go to the track fund for paying the expenses of Border Olympics in Laredo, the Texas Relays in Austin and other out of town meets.

Boy Bowlers Win In Early Games

The Lamar bowling team started off the season with an easy victory against Milby Thursday, February 5, at the Harrisburg Lanes, to the tune of 8 to 1.

Don Thompson, Kenny Manning, and Larry Wright made up the "A" team which took three games from the Buffs. The "B" team took up where the "A" left off and also won three games. In the "C" team battle, Lamar won two while losing their only game of the day.

Eddie Wells, Richard Milton, and Sam A. Merrill, Jr. made up the "B" team while Anthony Maniscalco, Tommy Miller, and Don Smith rolled for the "C" team.

Thompson had the high nine game of 190 pins and the high series of 163-190, for a total of 353 pins.

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