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BORROWED WISDOM

On November 6 the Commercial Appeal published the following editorial entitled, "Why They Flunk". After you read it, you can see why we have borrowed it — its truth, so well stated.

"A group of school officials in Michigan recently said liberal arts colleges in that state are full of misfits without ability to cope with college courses. They said further that 35 percent fall out by the end of their freshman year, and that their parents' unsuitable ambitions for them are mainly at fault.

"The Commercial Appeal-Chicago Daily News Service, inspired by the Michigan statement, sent Helen Fleming out to interview college deans and examiners around Chicago. One of the reasons assigned for "flunking" was lack of ability to learn from textbooks. This reason applies to some who study enough, and even too much, but who have never been taught to concentrate and read rapidly and well.

"Most of the educators questioned agreed that the independence of college life and the apparent lack of any supervision fool a lot of freshman students. As to specific study periods and supervised study, these young-

sters feel they are getting away with something and have reached a sort of educational heaven. They wake up late and so far behind that they never catch up. They do not realize that college mills grind slow, but exceedingly small.

"Interesting enough, a number of educators spoke of so-called low ability students who get into college because their high school grades are deceptively good. These youngsters, as a rule, got too much help from their parents, or else they hunted out easy courses, which is about the same thing as easy teachers.

"Contributory to failure in college, as they are to failure anywhere are emotional and family problems, ill health, financial worries and the like. Other things being equal, however, it seems that the high school student who wants to do well in college must not only work hard but learn to work effectively. Above all, as we have remarked from time to time, a high school student ought to concentrate on learning to read well and to read rapidly.

"It really seems to boil down to what Euclid said to Ptolemy I. He remarked: "There is no royal path which leads to geometry."

Bro. James A. Allen On Catholicism

(This article was prepared right after our January Courses for last month's Sky Rocket but lack of space forced us to leave it out of that issue. The content, however, is timeless and priceless).

Catholicism was the theme of the 10:00 lecture and was presented very ably by Bro. James A. Allen, of Nashville. Bro. Allen launched out into his subject by tracing back to the beginning of Christianity, or the Primitive Church. At that time Christ was on the earth. The Church was established and the Bible finished. This was known as the Golden Age of Christianity. BUT — as the second century began, a black cloud hung over the earth. People were not satisfied to accept God as King.

The primary basis upon which the Catholic Church was founded, resulted from the breakdown of the eldership and exaltation of the Pope. God in His Providence arranges for man to have what he wants. The Catholic Church is the personification of the decision whether God or man shall rule. It is the mother of all denominations. However, they had their origin with the idea in mind to reform the old Catholic mother.

The world lapsed into a period known as the Dark Ages. The Bible was lost. This was the result of the "falling away".

From Daniel 7 and Revelation 13, Bro. Allen pointed out to us the "marks of identity", "between the Babylon and the Catholic hierarchy", and in 2 Thessalonians 2, "we find the attributes of the "man of sin". These are characteristic of every religious body that does not take the Bible as its guide.

Before the Dark Ages, came a period of time known as the "falling away". This movement was made by the Christians. This created a state of mind of liberalism.

Bro. Allen next brought in a few of the outstanding factors which happened during the "falling away" period. The first overt act of the "falling away" was the Breakdown of the Eldership. Then

worldly-mindedness began to creep in. The eldership ceased to function. Councils were formed. The Bishops became haughty and proud. In 1588, Bishop John assumed the title of Universal Patriarch. Gregory, the Bishop of Rome, was opposed to this. He said it was proud, blasphemous, anti-Christian and diabolical. Gregory even went so far as to appeal to the Emperor of Rome. But he was in favor of the Bishop of Constantinople. Gregory then went to Phocus, the Centurion of the Roman army, who in turn became a part of a conspiracy and assassinated the Emperor and his family. Phocus then assumed the throne. Bishop Gregory rejoiced and consecrated him. After the death of Gregory, Bishop Boniface came into his place. To pay the political debt to Gregory, Bishop Boniface III was given the title of Pope in 1606. Hence, the first Pope of Rome. This is the vile, abominable foundation of the Catholic Church. Thereafter the Chain of Popes have been equally corrupt.

Bro. Allen also brought in the fact that man might fall into spiritual darkness through ignorance of the teachings of the Bible.

After the World emerged from the Dark Ages came the Reformation movement. Upon finding a copy of the Bible in an old cathedral, scholars such as Luther, Wyclif, and Hus made a translation from the Greek into the common languages. This wasn't truly a reformation. Religion did not go back to the true primitive church. The people had the Bible but they didn't know how to use it. When Luther rebelled against the Catholic Church, he established another. The same is true in the case of John Wesley and many others. But they didn't go far enough. Too many ideas and traditions were carried over from the "unreformed" church. Luther took all the furnishings of the Catholic church except the Pope. Even the modern denominations are, indirectly, derivatives of the Catholic Church.

The accusation was made by Bro. Allen of too much softness in the Church. There is no reason

to permit Christians to live unless they are going to live according to the Bible.

In his last lecture, Bro. Allen discussed the Restoration movement. This movement proceeded very slowly. About the beginning of the 19th century, people became conscious of the many divisions in the religious world and were disturbed. Barton W. Stone came forth as a great reformer but there seemed to be something a little "off-color" about his teachings. Alexander Campbell came along with the true meaning of the Bible. He had been a former student of Glasgow University in Scotland. He gave the people ability to put into practice as well as understand the Bible. He taught the people how to study the Bible.

Bro. Allen concluded his splendid lecture with the following statements: "The Bible makes only Christians", "The greatest religious position a man can occupy is teaching the Christian religion", "Man can't start a new Church by preaching what the Apostles preached". "The Church is the only religious body of people on earth that has a right to exist".

ALUMNA LOGAN WINS PROMOTION

Down at Trion, Georgia, The Trion Facts is published weekly by the town's major enterprise, the Riegel Textile Corporation, Trion Division. Mary Jo Logan '45 has lately been chosen as its new editor, a promotion of which we are very proud. The paper is a 16-page publication, about the size of the Sky Rocket, and is very live and interesting reading.

Two clippings from the Trion Facts are here reprinted, showing the esteem in which May Jo is held by her associates:

"Miss Mary Jo Logan has been promoted to editor of the Trion Facts, due to the recent promotion of the former editor, C. B. Bricker. For the past two years, Miss Logan has been a member of the Personnel Department of the Trion Division of Riegel Textile Corporation.

"Miss Logan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Logan of near Trion. She graduated from Trion High School in 1943 and from Freed-Hardeman College at Henderson, Tennessee in 1945. She also received training of a journalistic background at Georgia Evening College, an extension of the University of Georgia in Atlanta.

"To choose a new Editor for our paper several of us went into a huddle and again came up with the decision that there was one here in Trion who we felt sure could take over Mr. Bricker's old duties and carry on successfully in his footsteps. As we all know by now, Miss Mary Jo Logan was the selection.

"The publishing of the Facts is we feel by no means a minor responsibility. It has been for a long time the medium through which news of interest has reached our homes. Its development throughout recent years has been most admirable, and under the guidance of Miss Logan it will continue to be the good paper that it has been in the past and will move forward in its progress of improvement.

"The many friends of Miss Logan are happy to see her in this new position; and I am sure I speak the feelings of the entire staff of the Facts in that we will do everything within our power to make her new work not only a successful but a happy undertaking."

TWO ALUMNI MARRIED

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ern Bell Telephone Company.

News, scanty as yet, has come to us of the wedding of James Alford and Rosabel Raines, both '48. The nuptials took place early this month at the bride's home in Malesus, Tennessee.

On the night of February 19, at the home of Elmer and Nina Howell Simmons (both '39) in Sikeston, Missouri, Sue Howell '44 was married to Winton Vicks '51.

Chapel Variations

Phi Kappa Program Emphasizes Valentine

The Phi Kappa Society chose to present a program concerning traditional practices in observing Valentine's Day, on Feb. 10, in chapel. Irvin Himmel gave a talk on "Traditions", followed by the poem "That Old Sweetheart Of Mine", read by Jamie Ussery, while Joyce Wiseman accompanied her at the piano. To introduce a little comedy, Bill Burke read "Mia Carlotta". The girls' trio, Margaret Long, Norma Troutt and Paige Corzine, rendered the finale by singing "In The Gloaming" and "What Can The Matter Be?"

Chapel Version Of Accounting Class

The Business Club presented an exaggerated mock-accounting class for entertainment in Chapel on Feb. 3. George Elkins acted as Brother Moody and was always evading the questions that the class asked. He also kept referring to the text and seemed at a complete loss without it. James Thigpen was the typewriter repairman who was led in by Lawrence Taylor, impersonating Brother Hall.

Bill Burke was titled the "Killer" because he slipped the teacher's book, threw it in the waste basket and played innocent, until confronted with the question as to its whereabouts; he then drew it from the basket and calmly handed it back to the teacher.

ETIQUETTE

The Philos presented some good pointers in dining room manners and how to win and keep friends by the negative method on the chapel program, January 19. Melvin Krumrei made a speech on "How To Lose Friends and Alienate People" in which he gave several illustrative examples that happen every day. Harry Puffenberger spoke on "Dining Out For the Last Time". Then Shorty Watson gave some more ideas on "Ways To Lose Friends".

AN EVEN EXCHANGE

The Sigma Rho Society staged a one act comedy called "An Even Exchange". The three characters were Juanita Headley, who played the role of an extravagant wife; David Davidson, her scheming husband; and Mable Countess, a neighbor who helped the husband in a scheme to give his wife a lesson in economy. She learned the lesson all right but in the same process he learned too.

LIFE OF BRYAN

Jimmy Moffett, representing the Alpha Taus, acted as the invisible narrator who gave the highlights of William Jennings Bryan's life on the morning of Feb. 9, in Chapel, as a prelude to Mrs. Rohde's lecture that night. To make it more effective the most amusing and interesting incidents were acted out by Rosemary Taylor, as his sweetheart and wife; Jimmy Lawson played the role of young Bryan; Mack Langford as the older Bryan; Joe Hope as Darrow, the infidel, and Charles Burns as the father-in-law. In closing Moffett quoted "The lives of great men all remind us we can make our lives sublime. And, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time".

CLUBS

Alpha Taus

The Alpha Taus elected Jerry Belchick and George Elkins as the final presidents for the year.

The Phi Kappas were invited in to see two skits at the regular society meeting on January 31. Lillian Boling, Peggy Ford, Rees Bryant and Jimmy Moffett starred in a true-to-F. H. C. performance of "Can't Get a Date". The second was a mixture of the ridiculous and sublime as may be seen from the title, "The Funeral of Miss Can't", which was preached by Foy Cherry. The casket was opened at the close and everyone was allowed to view the remains of Miss Can't. To most everyone's surprise they found their own im-

age staring up from the depths of that horrible black box and with a shudder realized they had attended their own funeral!

Phi Kappas

The two boys winning the final election of the presidential office for the last quarter are Everett Guyton and Alfred Lee. Lee was also honored by being chosen basketball captain in Rob Wilson's place. Other election results are as follows: Track Captain, Jesse Porter; Volleyball captain, Mason Pepper; Boy's Tennis, Edwin Boggs; Girl's Tennis, Norma Troutt.

We are in the midst of collecting our ad money for the "annual" and planning to use the surplus in giving the society a novel treat, which will be described later.

A-E-I-O-WHEW

What is this strange tongue I hear in the halls? It might be Sanskrit in Pig Latin or it might be Double Dutch — then again it might be — yes, you guessed it — Spelling Class. It seems that the current greeting in the halls of old PHC is not "Hya kid" or even plain "Hi!" but "Spell idiosyncrasy!" or "Howdy, you ole Dierit!"

The spelling bees, diacritical markings, and syllabication of father's time has come back to the halls of our fair college. The dread of every Freshman has finally caught up with him. His doom is sealed; his fate is sure — he has to go to spelling class.

The classes, a unique plan and one of the very few left in the colleges of the country, has always been a part of the curriculum because of the decided lack of training that today's students manifest. Under the current plan the student takes half-an-hour of training four days a week and on the fifth a test is given. When a passing grade is made on one of these, the fortunate graduate with appropriate honors.

Of course Brother Hall's sudden twists and turns (not to mention his idiosyncrasies — see I did learn to spell it!) make the class worthwhile.

So if you meet someone in the hall mumbling "abedefghij —" don't call Bolivar, but just understand. But rely it dos git confusion som tims whin I start to spel big wurdz and long sillibls becoss I jus sem to git wurs and wurs — se what I men — O der!

MISS FIXIT

Dear Miss Fixit,

Frst you must promise me that you won't breathe a word of this to anybody — in fact you must promise that you won't even breathe. I have a problem that is most perplexing — now don't laugh, but just listen while I relate my woes. It seems that — and this is not a laughing matter.

Well, I have to tell you that this is indeed the most distressing thing. Now give me your rug and roll up your ears — or something like that and I will reiterate my difficulty. Please help me solve this,

Perplexedly Yours,
Tom Otto

Dear Tom,

This is indeed a great difficulty. After reading your interesting and informative letter I have reached the following conclusion. Take Mr. You Know Whom and with a you know what do just as I have told you. Then in the next (you guess) use the better-felt-than-told on him and I am sure you will find out that this matter can be solved. Your rational outlook on the issue will help you go places. In my estimation you are a poach — er a peach. The next best method is — and believe it or not this will work. In the event of a failure try to — this is also a good method and will usually prove useful. Other than these three (or was it four) methods, I have no other suggestions.

Equally I'm Sure,
Miss Fixit

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Clint's Glints

Greetings, Gates! The time has come
To elucidate on what has been done!
Some stuff that's new and some that's old,
Listen now, and you'll be told!

Sweetest Jamie, lovely flower;
How hearts yearn for you each hour!

Happy would a young lad be
If you said, "I do love thee!"
(How about that, Burns?)

Rumor has it that Mrs. Morton and Mrs. Powers have been offered a scholarship from Zig-Zag U. to lead cheers for their Polo games. Incidentally, did you notice how many of the boys answered the "call to arms" at the Faculty "Had-Lads" game?

We would like to know if Daughtry is chasing Crum or is it vice-versa?

Have you noticed how the ex-campus kids have been on their best behavior? Too much at stake, Boys?

Here we go again:
Little Dot Smith, wouldn't surprise us

If she sang this rhyme,
For Doug Waters far away:
"Just Biding My Time".

By the way — Peggy Billingsley is absolutely hopeless when Joe isn't around!

Who will be next on Elkin's list? Does George know?

Clara Emerson has that faraway look in her eyes.

Likewise, R. D. Bishop is looking forward to his next visit home.

Tonkery and Sinclair doing fine; But which one was it made up her mind? — Fiction or fact?

Every time,
It's a rhyme!
See —
Wheee!

Is Rees Bryant interested in Florida weather or is there a certain someone?

Have you heard of Bonnie Guthrey and Bill Threet going steady — conditionally?

Dewhirst could do worse than Wiseman and doesn't want to. Can't say as we blame him!

Guess what?
Lucas, Kelton and Don Daugherty Always want to date
Enchanting, delightful Marilyn Cook

To see if they can't rate!
(If at first you don't succeed, try the outfield!)

How does Red Reid get his night life energy? Take a look in Political Science — Z-Z-Z! What's the dif? I was never interested in politics anyway.

Ping-Pong is still running a poor second to romance in the Boys' dormitory! Isn't that good news, girls?

Wick Weaver was an eager beaver

So he made Miss Moore another Weaver

So now Wick can't weave Weaver! — Wight?

IN and OUT

The B. G. Hopes '28, of Anniston, Ala., were campus visitors on Jan. 26.

Joanne Schmitzer, of Denison, Texas, was the guest of Freed-Hardeman, Ira Lee Wright, and the Charles Andrewses the early part of the month.

The 28th of January was marked by a visit from Board-of-Trustees Member T. Billingsley '45 and Sister Billingsley, of Memphis.

Brother and Sister Virgil Randall, of Cleveland, Ohio, parents of Ruth Randall Kay '50 and of Robert Randall '36 were here for a week-end with Ruth and Clarence Kay, the last of January.

Brother and Sister A. C. Belue, Sr., Alumna Betty Belue '48, of Columbus, Miss., and Alumna Elwa Hargett, '48 of Booneville, Miss., were on the campus Febru-

ary 13.

The L. A. Crums, their daughters, Jane and Joanne, and Louie King, all of New Albany, Miss., were here to be with Betty Lee and enjoy our Valentine party on the evening of Feb. 14.

Sister Rose Kenner, of Bells, Tenn., former matron of our Girls' Home, was a campus visitor on February 16.

Joan Goff and Dean Beagle have been both "in" and "out" recently — "in" the hospital at Jackson, and "out" of school.

Both were victims of misbehaving appendixes, which were "in" but are now "out". Joan has returned to school and we are expecting Dean back soon.

OUR ADVERTISERS

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Didja ever —
Wonder why Doyle Mills doesn't have an interest in our FHC gals?

Hear Brother Frost sing his favorite Italian songs?
Notice one Bobby Owen showing interest in a prospective FHC student?

Catch a glimpse of Ray Beggs looking happily at Glenda Meadows?

Find out who put the coke bottles on Brother Hall's desk?
Wonder how a handsome fellow like Bill Dorriety rates a swell gal like Reita Martin?

Wonder who yells the loudest at the society games? Pass the cough drops, Momma! Inez, how do you manage to talk to Charles after those games?

Joan of Arc was burned at the stake but Dean of Ark. was burning at the steak house when Sam went through line without her the other evening.

Didja hear about the time Bill Burke went riding in his car and changed his nationality? He went up a Pole and came down a Russian! Just a pun, son! Some fun!

One short plea:
Juanita Heady, now awake! !
Give little Thiggie's heart a break!

Rumar has it that Lowry is writing a book. "Life of a College Janitor or How Clean Was My Alley."

Wonder if anyone ever found out what Moe's real name is. I hate myself for bringing up that question, Mrs. Hoover!

One last rhyme:
Jerry Cook should be in an institution

With his New Year's Resolution! Hey!!! Time's running out and we got places to go! We'll see you tiptoeing (CLOMP! CLOMP!) through the halls. Bye, now.

Lost: One English Comp. book . . . finders, keepers!
Moffett when Peggy isn't around Byrd when Jimmy's away.

A certain group of boys have made SAPP'S of themselves.

Ken Rideout has returned! Nice to have you back even though you are wishing you were home again. (As if we can't tell!)

Is Lawrence Taylor developing "Love 'em and leave 'em tactics"? If so, he isn't wasting any time.

That's okay, Doug Davis. Anyone would fall for those beautiful blue eyes! We've noticed too, ya know!

Knox Cherry says he is never late to accounting class, they just start early! We never considered it in that light before.

How long will John L. Meadows wait until he can work up courage (?) to ask for another date? Aw, come on, John!

We are losing a buddy:
Rob Wilson was ready-teddy
Til he started going steady.
Now we think he's just a schmoe!
Would we trade him places?
. . . . why sho!

Cheer up Ira! You'll see her again and things will be all Wright? Where did she get those lovely brown eyes?

Hamilton's Debaters Demonstrate Skill

Another record has been established for FHC in the state Speech Tournament held at David Lipscomb College on February 17, 18. Freed-Hardeman, the only Junior College in contest, started off with an enviable record. Our boys were "going to town" with three straight wins and had so favorably impressed the judges that there was talk of their winning the tournament. Leolin Russell and Tommy Kelton in the initial takeoff defeated the University of Tennessee, Austin Peay, and Lipscomb. Neil Lightfoot and Paul Ayers trailed close behind by defeating TPI, Maryville and Lipscomb. In the wind-up our two teams came out fourth and sixth of the thirty teams competing.

The program was so outlined as to have the coaches of the different teams judge the debates, in this way twenty-three debates were conducted simultaneously. Brother Hamilton, coach of our two teams, judged from 8 o'clock Friday morning until 6 that evening with but 45 minutes let-up for lunch.

After much preparation of arguments and material, our team went into the contest with their "guns loaded" with practically unanswerable arguments on both the affirmative and negative sides. On the affirmative of the question: "Should Federal Aid be granted to state education?" the boys contended a need for a drastic change or improvement. According to late statistics many millions are denied their constitutional right to education because of lack of facilities or because of teacher shortage. Even those who are attending school to receive education are not being given adequate education. It was pointed out to prove this assertion that one-seventh of our American teachers are teaching on emergency certificates and that in many Southern states an average school year is 6 1-2 months per year. These deplorable conditions argue a need for a change. In addition to these facts, it was pointed out that by 1955 there will be a shortage of 400,000 teachers, and coupled with this, 8,000,000 more children of school age clamoring for a decent education. A simple plan whereby the states would be given funds by the Federal Government and this in turn distributed by the county superintendents, was offered as a solution to the arguments.

Not only were our boys putting up stiff competition with good arguments and cool logic on the affirmative, but on the negative their opposition was equally as strong. In contradistinction to the arguments of the affirmative's proposition that adequate education is dependent on money, the boys admitted that problems existed but the real issue is cause of such problems. "The affirmative says a lack of funds; we contend the real underlying cause is the fact that people are not giving moral support and co-operation to education!" The fact was driven home that the people merely considered the teacher a person to send their children to daily who placed in their heads knowledge — this is the trouble. Federal aid is not necessary because states can provide their own education — proof: No legislature has ever asked for federal aid; in fact two have urged against it. No governor has asked for such but an overwhelming majority oppose it. The negative then cited statistics and quotations to prove that the only change needed and sought by authorities was a cleaning up of state educational systems. They pointed out that it was undesirable because of the necessity of either Federal control or no control at all. This placed the affirmative in a double dilemma because either is not desirable. The closing and clinching point was a trilemma question: What if state wastes the funds? The only answer could be (1) Government control which brings corruption, (2) Funds cut off which argues that there would then be no equalization — the proposition the affirmative must

A Capella Chorus Makes Trips

The A Capella Chorus, composed of forty students and directed by Bro. Jack Frost, has made several trips during the past two months. These trips were to Paducah, Kentucky, on January 15; Corinth, Mississippi, January 22; Fulton, Kentucky, January 29; and Humboldt, Tennessee, on February 11. Others trips scheduled for the chorus are to Memphis, Tennessee; Paragould, Arkansas; Florence, Alabama; and Sheffield, Alabama.

The singers also had the privilege of singing over Station WCMA at Corinth, Mississippi, on the morning of February 4. The program was well received and there were many favorable comments concerning it.

Bro. Frost is to be commended for the fine work he has done with the A Cappella group. It is a wonderful asset to the school, and an excellent way of advertising to the people the principles and activities of F. H. C.

University Women Meet At F. H. C.

That Freed-Hardeman gets in the news is evidenced by the article in the Jackson Sun of January 23rd, dealing at length with the recent meeting of the A.A.U. W. in our College Clubroom. The article, over an entire column long, contained the following information, along with other interesting facts concerning the meeting:

"The Jackson Branch of University Women held their first meeting of the new year at Freed-Hardeman College on Friday afternoon, January 21, at four o'clock with Mrs. W. B. Powers, chairman of Legal Status of Women, and her committee as hostesses. At the business meeting which preceded the program, the president, Mrs. L. D. Rutledge, appointed a committee composed of Dr. Dixie Marcum Jones of Union University, Mrs. Hunter M. Steadman of Henderson, Miss Willie Maude Thompson of Lambuth College, Mrs. Frances A. Barker, Elementary Supervisor of Jackson City Schools, and Mrs. C. O. Pounds of Jackson, whose duty it will be to prepare a slate of officers, including president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer to be presented before the annual business meeting in March.

"Mrs. Powers presented the speakers for the afternoon.

"Mrs. Anne Wood Schneider, one of Jackson's promising young lawyers, used as her subject, 'Women and the Laws of Tennessee.' Mrs. Schneider pointed out women's actual legal rights in Tennessee as these: The privilege of entering political fields, of making contracts, of entering into a partnership, of handling their own property, of keeping their own earnings, and of paying taxes on them the same as men.

"Miss Catherine Clement of Lambuth College discussed Miss Marjorie L. Temple's report, found in the November issue of the General Director's Letter. One part of her report was an account of the bestowing of a degree upon Queen Elizabeth by the Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University.

"Miss Carolyn Nielsen, speaking on the Women who have made the headlines in recent months, mentioned Margaret Chase Smith, the first woman to be elected for six years as Republican Senator. In the field of Science, Dr. Sabin, who has been referred to as the Madam Curie of America, and who at the age of seventy-six, has recently been appointed Chairman of Health and Charities of the City of Denver, Colorado, was praised for her many accomplishments. In the educational realm, Miss Studebaker last year was named President of the National Educational Association.

"Miss Nielsen spoke with pride of her friend, Judge Florence Al-

len, who, last year, was recognized as the only woman known to have sat on a court of last resort. It was she who served as one of the judges at the TVA trial held in Chattanooga.

"Miss Joanne Powers, the talented young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Powers of Henderson, climaxed the program with two Gershwin concert numbers on the piano while the hostesses served a party plate with hot tea in a room filled with spring flowers."

Magazine Features Home Of Alumna

The December issue of "Better Homes and Gardens" included a picture and an article of interest on the campus, since the writer is an alumna, Josephine Austin, '33, now Mrs. Robert W. McPeake. The article is as follows:

"My husband, Marse, is mighty proud of these floors. They're in the guest bedroom of our home, on Highway 100, about halfway between Nashville and Memphis (near Scotts Hill, Tenn.).

"The house is our own — right from the plans up. My husband and I are both teachers and had only the time after school and Saturdays to build it. Marse used a team of mules and a scoop in digging the basement, later truing up the walls with a spade.

"The house has 2 bedrooms, kitchen (with breakfast room space), living room (with a drop leaf table for company at dinner), living porch, bath, front porch and basement.

"We moved in when the papering and inside painting were only partly done.

"After moving into our new home, I finished painting the inside woodwork, bookcase, kitchen cabinets, and unfinished tables. I also did all papering except for the ceiling; my husband helped me with that. Marse was busy meanwhile doing the outside painting, insulating the attic and filling low places in the lot with dirt from the basement.

"We installed linoleum in both kitchen and the porch, and my husband made two sets of screens for the porch. One, of wire, is used in the summer, and the other set, of plastic, is used in the winter.

"Labor is very cheap here, considering the high prices elsewhere, but we still saved a considerable sum of money by doing our own work and drawing our own plans. The county extension agent planned our shrubbery and helped plan what landscaping we have done.

"Getting back to the floors — before getting to the point of waxing, Marse had sanded them with sandpaper, a block of wood and lots of brawn.

"All we need to make us appreciate our home is to look back over all our hard work and laugh about what was, after all, lots of fun."

Rockette from 1932,3

"In Wondrous Merry Mood"

Ray McCormick — My friend, have you confidence enough in me to lend me ten dollars?

Carney — I have plenty of confidence, but no ten dollars!

Mack Roland — Mother, are you the nearest relative I have?

Mrs. Roland — Yes, dear, and your father is the closest.

Girls, when they went out to swim,

Once dressed like Mother Hubbard,

Now they have a bolder whim;
They dress more like her cupboard.

After terrific struggle, Mack Craig finally finished his examination paper, and then at the end he wrote: "Bro. Brigrance, if you sell any of my answers to the funny papers, I expect you to split fifty-fifty with me."

Norris: "It doesn't matter whether I wear chiffon or velvet, you love me just the same, don't you?"

Joey: I'll always love you, thru thick and thin."

Ruth Bryan Rohde

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world". Mr. Roosevelt had talked about the different reform projects he had worked out for the small foreign countries such as Persia and Egypt. The need for such foresight was demonstrated recently when the epidemic of cholera broke out in Cairo. It was the World Health Organization of the U. N. that sent enough serum, collected from eleven countries, to check it.

When the fever broke out in a small colony on the west coast of Africa — insignificant except for its being made the stopping place for flights around the world — President Roosevelt wrote to Churchill and told him to "clean the place up".

"This is fast becoming a close world. Epidemics are world problems now, not local".

War is not caused by an economic clash alone — and the United States will go only as far as WE make it go. The United Nations is trying to keep the world out of another war and also trying to restore faith to the people.

The atomic bomb which fell on Hiroshima had the power of two hundred thousand trainloads of TNT. "Think of it — and scientists say that bomb can be made more powerful if the necessity arises." The Chinese have a character for "crisis" which means "danger" and "opportunity" — danger that the nations might fail — opportunity, for nations to work together in spite of disappointment.

"We must turn our faces to new horizons".

After her address, Mrs. Rohde received informally at the front of the auditorium and a great part of the audience availed itself of the chance to meet her. She is a tall woman, of queenly bearing, her intelligent face crowned with a halo of short silver curls. She was becomingly gowned in a dinner dress of black crepe and lace, and wore a corsage of deep-pink carnations; gift of the College faculty. The "first lady of the platform" impressed her auditors by her abundant information, her perfect ease, her fluency, her spicy wit, and most of all, by her natural charm and graciousness. She was very complimentary about her entertainment at Freed-Hardeman as a guest in Paul Gray Hall, with Mrs. Hamilton as her hostess.

Alumni Pass Away

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Bro W. D. Jenkins

Sister Robert Witt, of our faculty family, suffered a great bereavement on the morning of January 30, when her father, Brother W. D. Jenkins, was suddenly claimed by death at his home in Morganfield, Ky. He was preparing his lesson for the Sunday Bible study; and had been alone in his room for only a few minutes when Sister Jenkins returned to find him lifeless, sitting in his chair, carried away by a heart attack.

After receiving the sad news that Sunday morning, Sister Witt came bravely on to worship here, then left immediately with Brother Witt and their daughter Rose Lynn, for Morganfield. The funeral was conducted on the first of February, by Melvin Reese '48.

Valentine Party

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L. Meadows, Jr. Of course, everyone was expecting them to win first place (they did, too) and it was quite disappointing when they were eliminated from the race. They were so indignant over losing that they stamped out of the auditorium with their noses high in the air, but soon relenting, they came back. Although they didn't win, they provided a lot of fun for the entire party.

The parade was followed by two relay contests between the different groups, one, a match-box relay with the box transferred from

nose to nose without otherwise touching it. The other was a soda-straw relay, executed by passing a small red paper heart down the line of contestants, passed by suction through the straw with which each player was provided. The winners were presented with pieces of Valentine candy.

For the final touch of a wonderful evening, refreshments were served in the college cafeteria. The tables, decorated with lace doilies, Valentine napkins, and red candles, furnished a lovely atmosphere. The faculty ladies served heart-centered brick ice cream and red heart-shaped cookies iced in red.

Texas Exalted By Native Son

About a year ago, when Clyde Aly was in Abilene Christian College, he wrote an article for the College newspaper, The Optimist. Clyde came to F. H. C. last Sept., bringing the manuscript with him. We are borrowing it from him for the Sky Rocket. The article, entitled "A Challenge", speaks for itself and is reprinted below:

California may have her amiable climate; Nevada, her inherent Sierras; Kansas, her golden wheat fields; New York, her fabulous world market; New England, her intelligentsia, but where can you find a complete combination of these cerebral assets, these Utopian components? An alien who has never visited our magnificently huge state would probably be inclined to answer this question only after extensive debate with himself, then he would conclude that possibly the regions of the riverias of France, the unexcelled Alps province of Switzerland, or the shapely state of Italy would appeal to the discriminating traveler and connoisseur. Nevertheless, one cannot find world markets in Switzerland, nor can he point out any locality in Europe, Asia, or the Near East where all of these desirable assets exist together. Any such inordinate delusion that either of these continents possess Utopian bliss would never exist in the minds of our citizens. If asked to answer our question, a Texan would unhesitatingly reply, "Texas, of course!"

Let me justify this conclusion, for it is not an alleged fact; the proof is definitely conclusive; Of course, no one will dispute the fact of the superiority of Texas in size; yet, one would ask to be shown further evidence and proof of our assurance. Well, here it is. We have the Rio Grande Valley with its warm climate and fruitful soil, soil on which a variety of fruits and other crops are produced. This peaceful valley would stir the poetic in any man. Farther south we have the Big Bend country, where wooded mountains, lifting their peaks skyward, as if in worship to Mother Nature, and deep blue, fish-filled streams make for pleasant vacationing. As for world markets and shipping centers, Texas can boast of Galveston, Houston, and Corpus Christi, whose ports open to the Gulf of Mexico and the trading routes of the world. Hand-in-hand with these cities we have the railway and highway-connected areas of central, eastern, western, and northern Texas from which cotton, corn, wheat, petroleum, cattle, sulfur, magnesium, and many other demanded products are produced. Also, there exist a number of elementary, secondary, and higher schools of learning from which is obtained the knowledge of scientific farming, of manufacturing, of economics and politics, and of cultural mores and traditions.

Now, let us concentrate our minds on the colorfully historical background of our beloved state. On March 2, 1836, a handful of gallant men struggled to hold their confining fort, the Alamo, against overwhelming odds. With their ammunition diminishing much too rapidly, these men fought on, not because their leader pleaded for such action, but because they knew that in order to obtain a righteous freedom for themselves and their posterity they must not yield to the tempta-

tation of cowardliness. Keep in mind that they were Texans. As Santa Anna, the commander of the attacking army, advanced his troops against the little mission fort, the brave defenders fell one by one until each of them had died the noble death. Nevertheless, the strongly willed Texans looked with greater determination toward their goal. Finally, one day in April of the same year, the ill-equipped Texas troops, under the command of General Sam Houston, won a decisive victory over a Mexican army three times its own size. The goal had been attained, but only after great sacrifices had been made. With spirits high the citizens of the newly freed territory proceeded to build an independent country which, after several years, was recognized by the entire world as a free nation. Then, on December 29, 1845, Texas, after having been invited to honor the United States by becoming one of its members, was officially proclaimed a state in the Union. I can think of no state or nation of the world that has had a more colorful history. Can you? I boldly state, and without any hallucinations, that you cannot.

All of these evidences that have been presented amply prove, I think, the justification of Texas brags. Therefore, we who are Texans invite you are are nay sojourning in our fair state to become one of its citizens. We hope that you will accept the invitation.

Clyde Earle Aly

Bro. Homer Hailey On 'Christ and the Church'

(This article, intended for the January Sky Rocket, was omitted then for lack of space.)

Brother Homer Hailey, teacher in Abilene Christian College and preacher in the Hawaiian Islands for three years, delivered simple yet masterful lectures at the eleven and two o'clock periods on Christ and the Church. Confining his lessons to Colossians and Ephesians, he opened his discourse by speaking of the Fullness of Christ. Other Parts of the lessons were "Christ in relation to God, in relation to the Holy Spirit; and God, in relation to the individual, and in relation to the church; ad God's glory in the church. "Come what may . . . back of all things is God. God is still on the throne of heaven," declared Brother Hailey.

At the three o'clock session he spoke for fifteen minutes on his work in the Hawaiian Islands.

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Library Gift

By the generosity of Elvis Bozarth, manager of the Family Book Shelf, a new set of "Barnes's Notes on the New Testament", which has just been reprinted, has been added to the Freed-Hardeman Library. The set, consisting of eleven volumes under the present plan, will be printed in eleven months, beginning with the Book on Matthew and ending with the Book on Revelation, in November. With a beautiful binding, clear print and good-grade paper, this should be another valuable asset to the library facilities.

Thomas Silva Chapel Speaker

On the morning of February 8, Thomas Silva, our Hawaiian student, spoke in chapel on his own background and our religion and other things in the Hawaiian Islands. Although blind since early childhood, Thomas has a very keen mind and retentive memory; he is alert, personable, and a delightful speaker.

He told of his Catholic environment — "I was sprinkled into the Catholic Church" — and of his going away from home to the school for the blind, and there learning to distrust his parents' religion. Then he came under the influence of gospel preachers — particularly Brother Homer Hailey, which resulted in his coming to F. H. C.

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Recent Election Of Class Officers

The senior officers were elected on January 18 by a majority of their class. The following were chosen: President, Basil Overton; Vice-President, Paul Ayres; Secretary, Dorothy Welch.

The following day, the junior class selected their leaders for this year. They are: President, Leolin Russell; Vice-President, Donald Thoroman; Secretary, Paige Corzine.

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