

Joe Carter Oversees New Ag Division



IT'S THIS WAY — Joe Carter, new agriculture division chairman, directs a lab experiment with two students, Lee Maddox & Barbara Brooks. (photo by Linda Grissom)

by Diane Wright
A new Division of Agriculture went into effect Jan. 1, with Joe Carter, associate professor of Science named division chairman.

Making up the new division, according to Carter, is the department of agriculture, department of farm and ranch management, and department of golf and grounds operations, all previously in other divisions. Carter stated that, by coordinating the three programs which are agriculturally oriented, they hope to gain some growth in the overall program. He feels the division will serve to upgrade individual programs.

Carter's new position will include helping to set up budgets, recommendations and course approvals, and working closely with Dr. Ben Brock, WTC vice president, and Dr. Gene McClurg, occupational-technical dean. His is a link between instructors in the program and the college administration.

Instructors serving under Carter in the division include Tom Jones, golf and grounds; Kent Mills, farm and ranch management; and Van Rigby, academic agriculture. Carter will instruct some in all three areas. The division is hoping a new program of wildlife

management will be added.

He said they hope to obtain more equipment and vehicles, and plan to schedule field trips. He explained that some of the labs are held at different local farms and ranches, and they haven't been turned down by anyone on usage of the land. He said there had been "a lot of good cooperation from local farmers and ranchers."

"I think it's great! It'll be a lot of fun, and I'm really enthusiastic!" Carter said about the new division. He believed it is a stepping-stone for agriculture at Western Texas College, "to get it going and growing in enrollment."



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201 Make Honor List

Two hundred one students have been named to WTC's Honor List for the fall semester.

Dr. Ben Brock, vice-president, announced names of 20 students for the President's List. A student must carry no less than 15 semester hours and maintain a 4.0 grade point average.

Students named are Danny Edwards, George M. Lee and Jackie Palmer of Colorado City; Lisa McBroom of Haskell; Jean Gusta and Kenneth Gusta of Hermleigh; Thomas Griffith and Jackie Haney of Roscoe; Travis Schwertner of Wilson, and Elizabeth Oliver of Wink.

Also, Barbara Brooks, Danna Cobble, Connie Courtney, Kellye Crenshaw, Katherine Howell, David Marricle, Ross Preston, Don Stoker, William Sullenger and Richard Glen Tate, all of Snyder.

Making up the Dean's List are 122 students carrying a minimum of 12 semester hours and maintaining a 3.5 or more on a 4.0 grade scale.

These students are: John R. Day III and Linda Gladish of Abilene; Randy Parrott of Albany; George Melikian of Amarillo; Pat Hoy of Aspermont; Clarence Hartfield, Jr. of Big Spring; Jeff Kraushaar of Cleveland, Ohio; Gary Hines of Clyde; Charles Miles, Martha Piland, Jean Ann Smith and Roger Sweatt of Colorado City.

Tressie Griffin, Jimmy Justus and Mark Odom of Crosbyton; Duane Smith of El Paso; Charles A. Jones of Fluvanna; David R. Branch and Michael Norris of Hamlin; Gary E. Johnson and Timothy Pringle of Haskell; Tommy Cotton, Cristobal Garay, Lila Guinn and

David Leon Ward of Hermleigh; LaRue Cleveland of Jayton.

Vickie Berryman of Knox City; David Alvarez of Loraine; Lee Kirby, Scot Purkepile and Sam Thompson of Lubbock; Lanny Hall and Karen Wright of Maryneal; Cruz Gomez of McCamey; Joni Huffman of Post; Walter Benjamin of Richmond, Va.; Mildred Ray of Roby.

Jerry Garrett, Linda Hyde, Ruth Ann Welch and Patty Wells of Roscoe; Gary David Baker and Koen McKimmey of Rotan; Tesa Mohler of San Angelo; Stacy Hoover of Spur; Stacy Payne of Stanton; Nancy Donowho, Kathleen Koch, Stanley Long, Joseph Luce, Dianne Marlett, Barbara Neill, James Reid, Lucia Sepeda, Cleo Smith and Mary Smith of Sweetwater; Shahram Yazdani-Beioky of Tehran, Iran; Mike Hoffman of West Branch, Iowa; Janice Verden of Wheeler, Randall Kurtz of Winters.

Snyder students listed are Joe Aycock, Larry Ball, Lesa Ball, Harold Ballard, Jerry Boyd, Jima d'Lynn Byrd, Dianna Campbell, Charlotte Cargile, Deborah Clements, Sarah Coleman, Tyra Elkins, Bettye Fancher, James Farren, Cynthia Ferrell, Stanley Ferrell, Jimmy Franks, George Fuentes, Oscar Garza, Rene Garza, Dennis Gulseth, William Hayman, Pamela Head, Daniel Herrera, Kenneth Holder, Denise Holladay, Robert Huddleston, Donny Irwin, Wendell Jeter and Karen Sue Jones.

Also, Jenna Lankford, Darwin Don Laster, Mark Leawell, Carlton Lee, Raymond Lewis, (See HONORS, Page 5)

Dinner Theatre Opens With 'Mousetrap'

by Stacy Payne

"It's another old-fashioned who-dunnit," said Charles Holland, WTC drama director, in connection with the 1977 dinner theatre production of "Mousetrap", opening Feb. 24.

"Mousetrap", written by Agatha Christie, centers around eight characters residing in the Hall of Monkswell Manor in England, a huge boarding house just opened to its new residents.

Mollie Ralston, played by Sarah Coleman, along with her husband Giles, played by Sam Thompson, are the boarding house entrepreneurs. Mollie is timid, yet delightful, while Giles is a bit more of the typical British statesman.

Fine Arts Exhibit

A traveling exhibit from the art department of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin is featured in the Fine Arts Building gallery through this month.

The show is comprised of student work from various areas of instruction in the UTPB art department and includes prints, drawings, paintings, sculpture, ceramics, fiber pieces, photographs and jewelry.

Pete Tercero portrays the almost too charming and gentle Christopher Wren, who "adores nursery rhymes — always so tragic and macabre!"

Along comes Mrs. Boyle, played by Tesa Mohler, the constant pain-in-the-neck, who complains about the bad service, horrible taxis, and chipping paint on the walls.

Major Metcalf, portrayed by Lee Kirby, is the kindly old gentleman, sitting mostly in the background with tobacco aroma constantly escaping from his ever present pipe.

Mr. Zahisha, played by Joy Evans, enters, adding a bit more aristocratic note to the manor. His discreet, African nature fills the air with suspense, through the climax of the play.

Lastly, Miss Casewell arrives, portrayed by Teresa Johnson. She is slightly masculine and very mysterious, filling the entire manor with uneasiness. Her background is not known and she obviously will not reveal it.

"Mousetrap" is exciting and will keep the audience on the edge of their seats. Says Holland, "In the past students

haven't showed up. It's cheaper than going out to the movies and to dinner. It will be an elegant affair, including a very special candle-light dinner with a choice of roast beef or ham with all the trimmings and dessert."

Reservations must be made in advance by purchasing tickets from Snyder Drug, Snyder National Bank, West Texas State Bank, the WTC bookstore or the fine arts division office. Cost is \$6.50 for students with ID's and \$7.50 for adults.

Dates for "Mousetrap" are Feb. 24, 25, 26 and March 3, 4, 5. DON'T MISS IT!!!

UTPB

Merce Hernandez, counselor from UTPB, will be on campus today in the Student Center. He will be available to answer any questions from students interested in UTPB from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Valentine Noon Affair

WEAR YOUR CRAZIEST T-SHIRT!!! BRING YOUR VALENTINE!!!

Asking where? To the "Valentine Noon Affair", of course, on Feb. 14 (that is Valentine's Day) for a completely fun-filled day in the Student Center!

A contest will be held for the craziest, wackiest or even prettiest T-shirt (not including wet T-shirts or those with suggestive words or pictures on them).

A kissing booth will be

available for all eager-lipped people, and to carry it further a marriage booth will be stationed somewhere in the Center.

Dancing and music will be provided by Larry Barber and his "Music Express". Ever gone dancing from noon to 1:30 in the afternoon?

Don't forget — you MUST wear a T-shirt if you want to be admitted to this fun affair.

What did you say it was called — THE VALENTINE NOON AFFAIR. Be there with your valentine and T-shirt.



CRAZY T-SHIRTS! — Marion Hendry, Lawrence Butler, and Carla Welch are prepared for the Valentine Day contest in the Student Center. (photo by LaDonna Powell)

editorially

Pardon Hurts!

By PAULA

How many people do you know, or have you known, who suffered the cruel after-effects of the Vietnam War? For those of us who stayed on our country's side during the war and supported her, we will feel the after-effects for some time.

With President Carter's coming into office, one of his first official acts has been to give (as he promised) "full, complete and unconditional" pardon for the draft evaders.

U. S. News and World Report defines draft evaders as men who failed to register for the draft or who, when ordered to appear for induction, did not show up. Included are those who broke Selective Service laws in other ways. Also defined was deserter as member of the armed services who took absence from the unit without leave and failed to return.

This pardon means draft evaders are eligible to re-enter this country. Unfair? Unjust? You bet!

What about the many lives lost in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand?

What about those still listed as missing in action?

What about all who fought and returned as disabled veterans?

What about their families?

Well, Carter?

What do you do to justify your means to those dead soldiers, those missing soldiers, those disabled veterans, and their families?

How do you explain your means for pardon when draft evaders don't deserve it? Sure, war is a very sad, disgusting, and cruel way to solve problems. But it does and will continue to exist. Even God promised us there would be war.

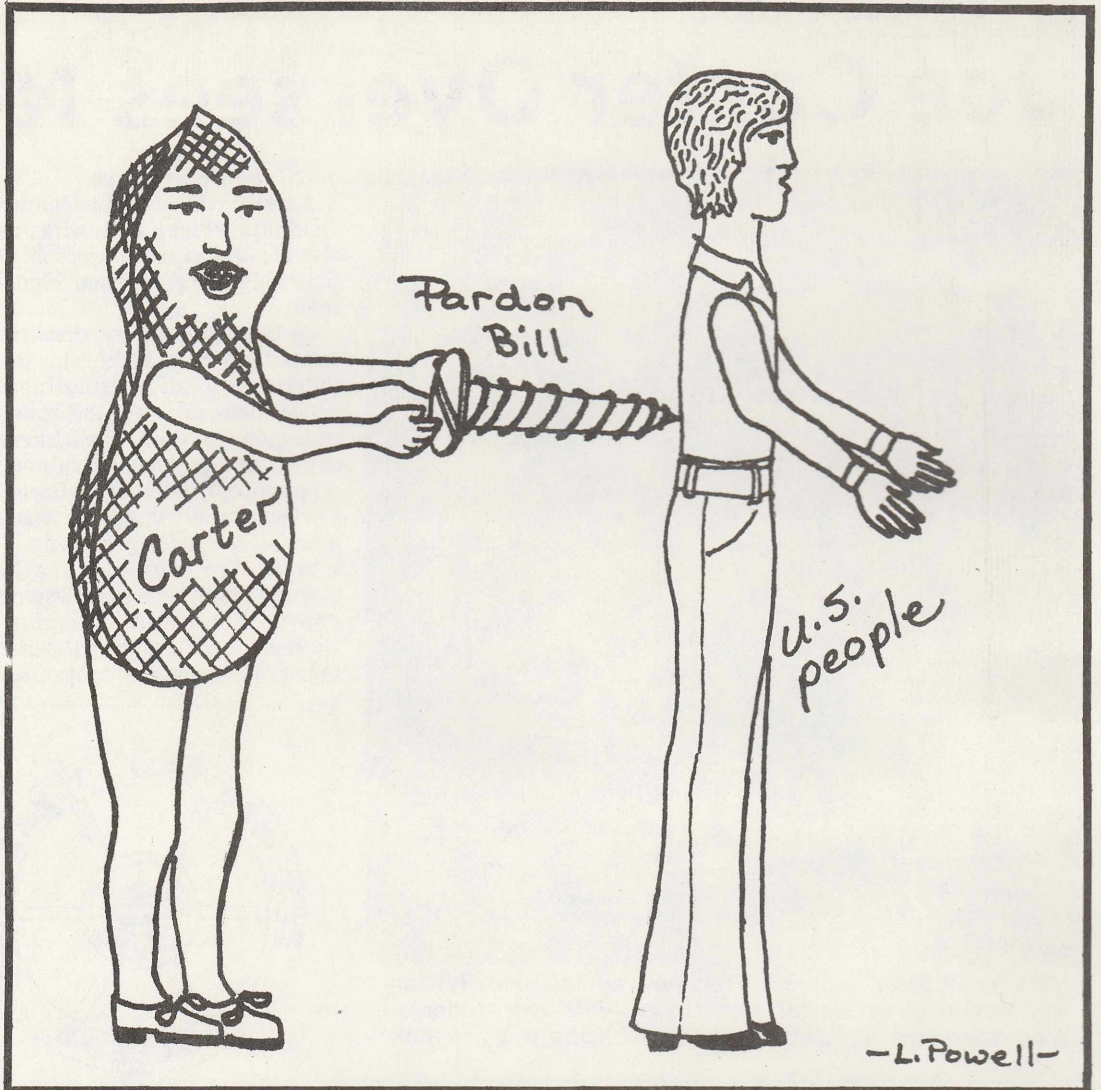
According to Rep. Richard C. White (Democrat, Texas), "The reason it is a mistake, in my opinion, is that it establishes a bad precedent in the future that will undermine the effectiveness of any necessary draft program."

What about the future?

What do we do when another Vietnam happens? We have already seen how easy it is to evade the draft and several years later return to this country. Next time there may not be a country to return to. Think about it!!

Since President Carter is establishing an "open door" or a "peoples" White House, can we let our feelings of distaste for this act go unheard? Let him know your feelings, let his staff know your feelings. What can it hurt?

Your actions could help curb Carter's advanced attempts to give a full pardon to men who deserted from the armed forces.



SNOOPIN' AROUND

by Jacque Johnson

Building, Building, Building
Angelo State University plans to construct three new buildings. One will house business administration, computer science, math and ROTC. The second is an academic structure, to house nursing and medical technology programs, physics, physical science, agriculture and geology. The third will consist of humanities and general classrooms.

The plan is now up for adoption by the Board of Regents at its Feb. 24 meeting.

Dorms Issued Survey

A Texas Tech University survey of dormitories will continue until March 3. If the survey goes well, Tech students will have cable TV installed in their rooms. Cost will be \$7.75 per month for each dorm room.

Liquor on Campus

The Rock Bottom Lounge at North Texas State is going to be allowed to sell beer and wine on campus, but the alcohol will not be on hand until proper equipment is installed and licenses are obtained.

When all is established, "booze" should be ready to sell by mid-summer or early this fall semester. The club is under a one-year probation to see how this will work.

Club Raffles

Authorities of Midwestern University will discontinue club raffles due to a recent crackdown on state law abusers. Woodrow Gassom, assistant dean of students, permitted the club raffling; however, from now on everyone must abide by the rules, since the university is state-supported.

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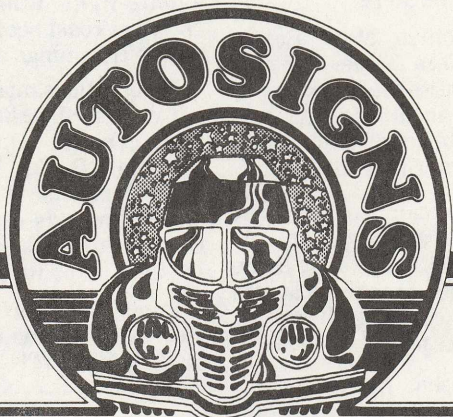
Valley College Los Angeles Jazz-Rock Marching Band purchased new uniforms after 10 years. Total cost of the uniforms was \$23,000.

Most of the money was taken out of the Associated Student budget. About \$9,000 came from other funds. The uniforms cost \$140 each.

Enrollment for Future

President Wilbur Ball said, "Waco's enrollment should level off in the future." Registration for the spring semester was down at McLennan Community College.

Ball believes people are quitting high school before graduating and the birthrate has flattened out. It is interesting to know that not just Waco is experiencing drops — it's happening to community colleges all over the state.



TEXAS OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Sometimes you can't resist showing off. Remember drag racing can hurt innocent persons.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Although slow to anger, even you have your breaking point. In extreme circumstances, strive for control.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): An impetuous nature can be dangerous to others. Avoid sudden lane changes and turns.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): Strive for more maturity. Racing on the streets is kid's stuff.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Use good judgment. Yield to oncoming traffic on narrow streets.

CANCER (June 22 to July 21): You may rely too heavily on the rear-view mirror. Check your "blind spot" before lane changes.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Your aggressive nature sometimes causes you to charge around. Give yourself plenty of room to stop.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Satisfy that feeling of security you crave. Always buckle your safety belt.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): There are unseen dangers. Watch for deep, rain-filled potholes and hidden road hazards.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): You can believe what you read. If a sign says "danger ahead," heed the warning.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Bad habits may be easier to give up. Try to stop smoking, particularly when you drive. It is just another distraction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Procrastination about needed repairs could lead to serious trouble. Perform preventive maintenance on your car.



WRIGHT ON!

Tired of Being Bored?

by Diane Wright

Bored?

Nothing to do once you finish classes? Nothing to do at night except ride around the Sonic, go out to Rip's or go get drunk (all of which gets to be a drag and a half!)? Nothing to do on weekends, except the same things as week nights? While browsing through a few resources, I came up with some ideas for things to do. So, if you're as bored as you think, read on!

For weekends, plan ahead so by the time Friday hits, you'll know what you're going to do and can have something to look forward to with eager anticipation! Try the show, go bowling, roller skating in Sweetwater or some other place. At first you may rely on others to do the planning, but learn how to be a planner.

For those afternoons when you have time on your hands, take a walk, go jogging or ride a bike. When the weather is pretty, take advantage of it and go to the park — if only to study. It's quiet and peaceful, and you can be by yourself for a while.

Spend some time alone. Think through problems, be creative

and write poetry (be sure and let Stacy P. read them!), stories, music, or just read a good ole love story. Do what you want to do. Of course, you can always try quilting or hooking a rug (which can really get you involved), or shopping, painting or drafting. There's all kinds of hobbies to be had.

If none of these suggestions

appeals to you, find a job either on campus (which I understand are very few) or downtown. After all, everyone can use money. If you have spare time galore, might as well spend it making money.

Hopefully, you'll stop being bored and start having an exciting, full life. If none of these work, take a nap!



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Inez Lowry: Enthusiasm, Imagination!

by Stacy Payne

Society writing, hat bar managing and WTC's audio-visual department all have one thing in common: Inez Lowry. And things are but a fraction of her many capabilities.

A fascinating person, Mrs. Lowry hustles about campus with a seemingly never-ending supply of energy and enthusiasm. She first came to Western Texas from the Snyder Public School district Sept. 1, 1972, and since has truly been an asset to those around her.

She worked eleven years on a daily newspaper, spent ten years with a millinery company, and several more with the local school system.

Her many and varied talents far exceed even some of the best students on campus. Oil painting, poetry, photography, creating her own crafts from odds and ends, — you name it, she can do it!

Working on a daily newspaper may not appeal to the average Joe, because of the seemingly dull routine. Not so with Inez Lowry.

"My experiences were many in the eleven-year period on the newspaper. Besides being hard work and long hours, it was a continuous learning period." She began working on the paper immediately after completing a business course in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

"To begin with", I did the bookwork and assumed responsibility for the society page and classified ad section. 'Sissy', as society news is known, never held a fascination for me, but it fell my lot in later years to edit 'sissy' copy along with many other chores."

"I was known as the 'Lady of Many Titles', a title bestowed upon me by the paper's editor and publisher in his daily column, Ediscope."

She added, "Among the many chores I assumed as the years moved along was managing the paper's fleet of carriers. These were youth from about 11 years old through high school. I had often wondered what this group called me to my back! I could imagine that it was the 'Old Hag', or possibly worse!"

The most trying times on the newspaper were during the second World War. The armed services took most of the help, especially in the shop, also drafting the city editor and advertising men. During this time they used whatever help they could find. "One interesting character that chanced by was an old wandering newspaper reporter. This breed is extinct today. He was a rough looking character, but if you could keep him sober he had a nose for news and could write. These characters were not too dependable."

She remembered, "The call of the road was too great for them and they would disappear

without as much as a 'Goodbye'. This guy reminded me of Ichabod Crane. He was all arms and legs and seemed to twist himself around a typewriter. His sharp-featured face and ill-kept teeth with noticeable gaps in front made him look clownish."

Probably the most exciting and dangerous time on the newspaper was when two brothers she had gone to school with decided to enter the newspaper office, and pulled a knife on the city editor and the rest of the staff.

"I'll never forget it!" exclaimed Mrs. Lowry, recalling the experience. "Two brothers decided they were not going in the armed services and resisted the draft in every possible way. After being deferred any number of times on every excuse possible, they decided to take the matter into their own hands and use their fists. They had a reputation for being bullies, and many escapades down through the years had proved that they were!"

She detailed, "The two entered the newspaper office late one afternoon and decided to persuade the draft board president to change his mind. One of them pulled a knife with a long blade and kept the city editor, the draft board secretary and me from telephoning the police, while the second proceeded to beat my boss unmercifully! The beating went on for several minutes inside the building and wound up on the sidewalk in front. My boss was a tall, slender man who had just recovered from a heart attack. It is still a miracle to me that he withstood the abuse. The police finally came and stopped the fight!"

"This was not the end of this episode," she continued, "for the nightmare was yet to come. Because of their reputations, those of us innocently implicated were fearful of getting out after dark. The two offenders were released almost immediately from the city jail. However, the morning after the incident, FBI agents were waiting at the front door of the office. The two were charged and months later the case came up in federal court. I had to appear as a witness."

Months of receiving telephone threats, and being afraid of meeting the two unexpectedly, had to be faced between the time of the incident and the trial. The final outcome was that the duo served 18 months in the penitentiary!

Aside from working on the newspaper, Mrs. Lowry spent ten of her years for a millinery company.

"Because of an overdose of newspaper during the war years, I started telling my boss that when the war was over I was going south. He took it as a joke, and after months of insisting that I was quitting asked

me where I was going and what I intended to do. I finally made up my mind that I would go to Dallas and try to get into millinery. I did not know anyone in Dallas and knew nothing of the millinery situation in Big D."

"This the boss knew, so he told me that he would pay my way to Dallas, my expenses while there, and my return trip if I really wanted to go. I took him up on the offer. He thought that the small-town girl would get in the big city, be at wit's end, and would return home contented with the job she had. He bet on the wrong Pennsylvania Dutchman!"

Laughing, she admitted, "I was confused when I arrived in Dallas. I hit all the big stores including Neiman-Marcus, Titches and the A. Harris company. I finally went to La Mode, an exclusive ladies' ready-to-wear then on Main street, and a hardboiled but kind millinery manager by the name of Laura Cline hired me. I returned home with a job, to my boss' surprise. After giving proper notice of resignation and completing work expected of me on the newspaper, I returned to Dallas to assume my responsibilities as manager of the first floor hat bar at La Mode."

She chose millinery because of experience in early childhood. "My mother was widowed when I was about four years old. My grandfather had a furniture store in a small town in Oklahoma. He gave my mother a small area where she operated a millinery shop. Back then, shop owners decorated hats. They merely bought hat frames, adding the flower or feathers and veiling to a customer's order. My mother gave me the small flowers that fell from bouquets and small pieces of feathers that fell from plumes. I would make doll hats from scraps of material using a cardboard base and some I would sell to my little friends for a few cents each. I was about six years old then."

After doing all she could for the millinery business, Mrs. Lowry became an important part of the Snyder Public School district. She spent the first three years as a secretary working with the Pupil Personnel Services program, a pilot project sponsored jointly by the schools and the State Health Department.

"School counselors, nurses, two visiting teachers, a speech therapist and a coordinator were involved, she stated. "This group worked with children with learning difficulties, and often with the children's parents. The remainder of my time with the schools was spent in the audio-visual department."

"If I had to choose the most interesting position, in the fields in which I worked, says Mrs. Lowry, "it would have to be the newspaper. This choice is difficult because I find all have been rewarding and interesting. Although these fields of work are diversified, each held a fascination for me."

Oil painting is but one of her many talents, a hobby she began in her early teens.

According to the gentle lady, "The ability to draw what I see came to me naturally. In my early years I had several friends who shared this hobby with me. I used what ever I could get my hands on to draw and paint. By artistic standards these early attempts were quite crude, but an elderly couple, who I am sure were trying to encourage me, gave me real money for a few pictures. The real money ac-



(photos by La Donna Powell)

tually amounted to only a few dollars but it meant a great deal to me. I use oils and try a little watercolor now and then."

Poetry? 'My Friend of the Wind' is a selection beautifully and simply written, telling of her 'love affair' with a mockingbird who serenaded her during the springs when she was a young girl.

"There lives clearly in my memory
The jubilant song of a bird,
Tho many long years have past
Since his song I first heard."

These are but a few lines of the poem which sensitively tells the story of the mockingbird. Many more are "locked up" in her files at home.

"The hobby of poetry I often pursue while doing menial tasks such as ironing. If a thought I particularly like flutters through my head, I will jot it down on a note pad. As other thoughts in the same vein come to me, I jot them down also. Later I will sit down, collect and assort them, and possibly come up with something resembling verse."

Another hobby is making things from articles most people would discard.

"I get an idea for making an object," she admits, "then start searching among odds and ends to see what I can come up with. Many of these things I use in my home. Often, when I make something for a certain place in the house, I think sooner or later I may buy something to take its place. This practically never happens."

"My motto," she continues, "is 'never throw anything away, it may come in handy sometime'. I may have been short-changed in some of the mental processes, but I was given an oversized imagination!"

Most of Inez Lowry's abundant imagination stems from her childhood on a farm.

"I am sorry for children who have never had a farm life experience. I am also sorry for children who never have to invent toys or use imaginations to create games. In my opinion, today's youth miss a great deal of learning experiences by being handed store-bought toys."

She also believes that the farm life experience gave her a greater love of nature and taught her to be more observant of the environment than many who have not had this experience.

"We children walked one and three-quarter miles to school. Children along the route would join us for the school trek. I vividly remember the old tin dinner pail and having to fill it early each morning. On days when the weather was bad, lunches were eaten inside the

building, but on pretty days we were allowed to go outside."

"Sometimes we would spread lunches and have a real picnic. At recesses and noon hours, all pupils would join in games such as 'drop the handkerchief', 'London Bridge is falling down', 'follow-the-leader' and sometimes baseball. Often the ball would be homemade out of string, then again it might be a hard baseball. I was unfortunate and silly enough on a few occasions to try to catch a hard ball and get a bloody nose!"

Her school day started with the entire student body assembled in the huge study hall. "We would sing 'My Country 'Tis of Thee', 'The Star Spangled Banner', and other old and familiar songs. The very popular songs, 'America the Beautiful', 'God Bless America', and 'This Land', had not been written. Before going to class the assemblage would repeat the 'Lord's Prayer', or prayer would be offered by an individual, then the group would disperse and students would go quietly to their classes. Halls were well guarded by long-faced teachers ever alert to the slightest infringement of rules!"

The building was two-story and the stairs were quite steep. "More than once the principal had to call me down for speeding down these stairs. He would be standing in the doorway to his office at the bottom of the stairway. His gruff voice still rings in my ears. His words were, 'Inez, what do you think you are? A gazelle?' He would make me climb the stairs and walk down at moderate speed."

Curriculum has advanced in schools considerably since her school days. Most high schools did not stress drama, music, arts and crafts, woodworking or metal working — and such departments in schools did not exist.

"If one wished any of these, they were offered by private instructors, or one worked as an apprentice. My town did not have a private art instructor. Schools always had junior and senior plays each year, directed by the class sponsor."

"Many changes have taken place in schools since I was a

student. Today they have far greater personal liberties. Audio-visual equipment as it is known today did not exist during my school days. School libraries shelved only a few books, most of them donations. As for behavior, young people today are no better or worse than they were in my youth. Many older people tended to judge the many

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NEWS BRIEFS

SUTTON

Sharon Sutton, director of the Scurry County Museum, was elected to the Executive Council of the Permian Basin Museum Institute (PBMI) recently.

An April meeting will be held at the Petroleum Museum in Midland.

LOWE

Gary Lowe has been appointed new Christian Student Center director on campus. His duties began Jan. 1.

Lowe is a native of El Campo and has served as assistant director for the Mabee Dormitory at Abilene Christian University, and for the past year has been in the ministry at Putnam. He is a graduate of El Campo High School and received his master of science degree in ministry and evangelism at ACU this year.

Lowe participated in a discipleship program at Hillcrest Church of Christ in Abilene during the summer, working with church members in Fairfax, Va., and in Las Vegas, Nevada.

During the summer months his duties involve preaching, teaching regular Bible classes, teaching and helping direct Vacation Bible Schools and working with young people.

SUL ROSS

Seven graduate-level courses have made this semester at the WTC extension center of Sul Ross State University with 97 students enrolled, according to Mary Pinkston, coordinator.

Courses include graduate research, vocational guidance, school public relations, advanced studies in child growth and development, state and federal programs in the public

schools, seminar in American history, and multicultural systems (sociology).

Those interested in enrolling for summer classes are asked to contact Mrs. Pinkston. She stated that the center is funded through the summer of 1977, but afterward will depend on state legislation decisions affecting next fall.

API

Recipients of two \$250 American Petroleum Institute (API) awards are Roger Vallez, Snyder freshman, and David Branch, Hamlin sophomore. Both are petroleum technology majors.

LIVESTOCK

The Scurry County Junior Livestock Show will be held Feb. 17-19 at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Membership dues are \$10 and this money is used for premiums, ribbons and trophies for the children.

Also, a free bar-b-que is scheduled Feb. 14 at the Towle Park Pavillion.

NEW CLASSES

Several new classes scheduled this semester have either been made or killed.

One drafting course, ID 134 (Technical Drawing II) made and is taught by Clinton Morgan on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

A Western Film class, instructed by Richard Lancaster, has made and meets Tuesday nights. Almost enough students enrolled at extension centers for the course, but it didn't make.

HPE 112-114, "Dimensions of Movement", made with 14 enrolled. Instructor is Gay Idom.

An outdoors activity course, featuring a ski trip to Ruidoso, N.M., a float trip or campout in Big Bend and a weekend fishing trip, has made with eight students. Mickey Porter will sponsor the skiing trip; Joe Carter, the Big Bend adventure; and Jerry Baird, the fishing trip.

A scuba course for advanced divers made with nine students, under instruction of Lee Burke.

PHASE SIX

Pictures are being taken for the spring edition of Phase Six, WTC's general yearbook-magazine, according to Paula Cornoyer, editor.

Photographs scheduled include campus clubs and organizations, athletic teams, administration and staff, and academic and occupational-technical divisions. Individual student pictures will be published in this edition.

Community Classes Scheduled

Several community service courses will be offered through WTC's continuing education program this semester.

Radio Communications introduces students to theory, operation and federal laws governing the operation of electronics communications.

Cake Decorating includes the making of icing and decorating with colors according to the season and occasion.

Defensive Driving consists of four sessions including how to avoid collisions, proper passing techniques, and other defensive driving skills.

Karate offers instruction in basic Korean Style karate for all

Museum Sets Exhibits

Scurry County Museum's exhibit plans began Feb. 1 with a display of various stuffed animals from the last safari of the late Nolan von Roeder. The safari spent a month in the African bush now known as Tanzania.

Specimens include impalas, gazelles, and buffalo. Also on display are zebra skin, elephant ivory, and African art.

Marvin Key will display fire arms.

A pottery display from Texas Tech University consists of work of seven artists, teachers, and students. Pieces range in size from one to eight inches in height. Also, wall pieces as well as hanging pieces will be shown.

Another feature this month is Southwestern Basketry and rugs from the Exxon Corporation.

In late November, Sharon Sutton, museum director, accepted the gift of Scurry County's official Centennial quilt from Mrs. Z. W. Davis, chairperson of the Needles and Pins Centennial Committee.

A \$3,000 grant to complete the museum oil exhibit was given

during December by the Diamond M Foundation.

Mementos such as medallions, pendants, cookbooks and miscellaneous items were donated to the museum to sell or exhibit. Jean Everett, Centennial chairperson, and Delbert Downing, general chairman of the Scurry County Bicentennial-Centennial Commission, made the contributions in late December.

Also in late January, an exhibit featuring "Attic Items" was displayed. Various articles included kerosene lamps, clothing, and relics such as 1930 valentines.

Eleven Capped

Eleven vocational nursing students received caps in ceremonies Friday, Dec. 17, in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre.

Capped were Shirley Anderle and Pat Reaid of Rotan, Linda Williamson of Roby, Nancy Rogers of Colorado City, Jo Williamson of Hermleigh, and Millie Costello, Elizabeth Garcia, Cherry Hembree, Marilyn Lockhart, Mary Pownell, and Carla Rawlings of Snyder.

Winifred Poyner and Diane Beard, nursing instructors, presented the caps. Dr. Ben Brock, WTC Vice President, was guest speaker. Dr. Gene McClurg, Dean of Occupational Education and Technology, welcomed guests while Dr. James Tully, Dean of Learning Resources, gave the invocation and benediction.

Mrs. Lois Greer, president of the Women's Auxiliary of Cogdell Memorial Hospital, presented students with Bibles.

Mrs. Bob Womack and James Lamb, fine arts division chairman, provided musical entertainment while a reception honoring the students was held in the nursing lab on campus.

ANSON'S EARL SPENCER

Cockfighting Rated Popular Sport

by Kathy Spencer

Almost everyone is involved in or is a fan of some sport. But one that has devoted and sincere participants and spectators is cockfighting (roosterfighting).

Many consider cockfighting cruel and inhumane, but it's hard to understand when these birds are born fighters. If two roosters bred to fight are not penned or staked and left alone, you can bet that either or both will end up dead, or badly hurt. Being born and bred to fight, it would be against their nature not to!

Cockfighting is much more popular than some folks realize. In the United States an estimated 80,000 participants engage in fighting game fowl, not including fans. In the Hawaiian Islands it is quite popular. The Philippines hail it as a national sport, and Puerto Rico claims many involved in this game fowl sport.

In some states, such as Arizona and Oklahoma, rooster fighting is legally and popularly enjoyed and endorsed. Texas has not yet legalized cockfighting or horse racing for that matter.

The World Series of Cockfighting is held in Arizona, usually during March. The 1975 winners of this eight-cock Philipino Derby, W. E. (Earl) Spencer and E. W. (Wimpy) Spencer, a father and son team combination and a fellow partner, hail from Anson, Texas. This derby is attended by people from all over America and foreign countries.

Will Texas ever legalize cockfighting? Wimpy reflected, "I doubt it. If Texas can't legalize horse racing, cockfights

won't be either! It's gonna take some people with a broader frame of mind for it to become legal."

The Spencers have been very successful within the last 14 months. They have won four major derbys: Chickasha five-cock Philipino, held in Oklahoma; Copper State eight-cock Philipino Slasher, Arizona, World Series; again in Chickasha, 1975, five-cock Philipino; and in 1976 in Jal, New Mexico, a five-cock Philipino derby.

Earl and Wimpy have been involved in this game fowl sport since 1962 and have spent long and enjoyable hours breeding, raising, and fighting roosters. When an average of 30 hours a week is put into something such as handling, feeding, and conditioning roosters, it is good to see results.

Mrs. Wimpy Spencer helps her husband with his roosters as well as his other chickens. Although this sport is a part-time hobby, several hours a week (during the season, usually from Nov. to July, extra hours) are put into rooster care. Hard work, cooperation and devotion to game fowl is necessary for success in the "pits" (arenas where fights are held). You might say cockfighting becomes a family affair when wives and children pitch in!

Cockfighting rules become complicated but, as a brief example, this is how a match proceeds:

The birds are weighed and matched with each other (according to weight, usually within two ounces).

Slashers or gaffs (whatever is designated at the derby) are mounted over the spurs and tied around the bird's ankles. For slashers, a spur is mounted only on the left foot.

Slasher derbys, using a bladed curved knife for spurs, have a 15-minute time limit. Gaff fights, using blades similar to an upward curved ice pick, have no time limit.

Each bird is held by the handlers and allowed to peck at each other. They are released from a referee's OK, then the acrobatics begin. It is a sight to see these birds dive, side-step, dodge, lunge and scrape one another in the air!

When a bird has been slashed or gaffed, the referee lets the handlers care for their birds and place them apart again (about six to eight feet apart).

Some gaff fights, according to Earl, last a long time. "I've seen some fights go on for three hours or over. This is why preparing a cock for the fight is important."

To ready the birds for a fight, the essential preparation is to get the rooster down to his best fighting weight, just as boxers do. This can be done by tossing them into the air (exercise). It can also be accomplished by placing the bird in a pen of hay to scratch for food underneath. Extra fat should be turned to lean and muscle to be used for stamina and endurance in a derby. Great care is taken to see that these birds are conditioned.

Cockfighting for the spectator is just that: game. For the breeder, owner or handler, it is the result of hard hours and a devotion to the sport.



TRAINED CHAMP — (Above) Earl Spencer poses with one of his prize roosters. He and son Wimpy, and another partner, are recent winners of an international derby held in Arizona. (Below) A scene of the Spencer rooster farm, where fighting cocks are raised and readied for competition. (photos by Kathy Spencer)

New Phones Installed

This week WTC changed to a new campus-wide phone system, according to Gay Hickman, business manager. Bell Telephone's new system has such features as three-way conversation, call hold, call pick-ups, call waiting — terminating, call forwarding — all calls, call forwarding — busy line and no answer, and automatic call back.

Faculty and staff members were given a two-hour training session recently to acquaint them with these innovative options.

The system costs around \$35,000 and features touch tone with each extension assigned a "class of service" rating for specified features. Private lines which served some offices are

discontinued, and calls for them will go through the main 573-8511 line.

A "distinctive ringing" signal enables a person to know the source of the call. For instance, one ring means on campus, two short rings mean outside calls, and three short rings mean a priority call.

Pay phones have been installed in the gym, fine arts theater and dorm lobby. For those who wonder why phones aren't in each room in the dorm, Hickman said a bigger system would be needed to handle more than 150 phones.

The "brain" of the new system is housed in a compact cabinet in the office of the Dean of Student Services and Registrar.



NEW SIGN — Front entrance to the campus is marked by a new WTC sign, replacing the individual metal letters vandalized last fall. Inez Lowery, A-V technician, drew the letters, and maintenance constructed the sign in the campus shop. (photo by Linda Grissom)

Earn College Credit In Europe

Persons can travel and earn college credits while on an 18-day tour of four European countries conducted by the Lubbock Christian College International Studies Program.

The tour will leave Lubbock May 29 and arrive in Holland. Other countries on the itinerary before the group arrives back in the U.S.A. June 15 are France, Spain and England.

Participants may earn up to six college credits in English or three semester hours in history and three in English. Other options are earning three hours in either subject or taking the trip for a vacation excursion and earning no college credits.

Tour guide is Dr. Patricia Vickers, associate professor of

English who has been a member of the LCC faculty since 1957. She has made advanced comparative studies in Spanish, Latin American and American literature and conducted a similar tour last year to Spain.

Although the trip is a study-tour, Dr. Vickers promises it won't be all work. Students will visit places of historical and cultural interest in Amsterdam, Paris, Seville, Cordoba, Granada, Barcelona, Madrid and London. They will have free time to browse through shopping areas and sight-see.

Total cost of the trip, including tuition is \$1,250, excluding noon and evening meals. Persons wishing to go must send a \$100 deposit by April 1.

Balance of the cost is due by April 15. Students may also go on a fly-now, pay-later plan via Master Charge or Bank Americard. Adjustments in cost will be made for persons wishing to join the tour in New York.

The trip is open to persons of all ages, including college students and high school seniors about to enter college. All who go on the tour must abide by LCC regulations. Persons under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

To make reservations or to receive a complete itinerary call or write Dr. Vickers at the Department of English, Lubbock Christian College, Lubbock, Tex. 79407, (806) 792-3221.

★HONORS

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Robbie Lovelady, Michael Marlar, Elizabeth Mijares, Wendy Monrone, Deanna Myers, James Nix, Daniel Odom, Patricia Osborne, Linda Pate, Stephen Peace, Rachel Phillips, Johnny Pilgrim, Larry Pilgrim, Andy Rhodes, Wayne Roberts, Dotsy Rosson, Carolyn Rylander, Leonard Scott, Lorraine Doyle Scott, Herschel Shipp, Ralph Smith, Steve Snider, Stephanie Stephens, John Ward, Stephen Warren, Jimmy Williams, Jay Wolf and Barry Womack.

Fifty-nine students qualified for the Merit List during the term.

Students must be enrolled for at least eight but fewer than 12 hours of college credit work and must have a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. More than half the students on the fall list did have a 4.0 grade point average.

Students named included: Mike Banks of Channing; Carolyn Brown of Colorado City; Ruth Klose and James Toland of Haskell; Keith Hill and Bob Spradlin of Ira; Christop Brown of Midland; Lee Maddox of Post; Gilbert Brown, Wanda Brumfield, Ran-

dall King and Anna Beth Martin of Roby.

Frank Duke and Woody Kidd of Roscoe; Leona Vann of Rotan; Loyd Bachus, Richard Balderama, Jeri Bavousett, Donald Bryant, Frances Chapman, Karen Chapman, Joe Cheyne, Ed Covington, Larry Covington, Kim Hall, Vicki Holt, Ronald Kelly, Martha McCarty, Barbara Patrick, Shirley Pylant, Russell Scott, James Stacy, Charles Stephens, Kathryn Tate and Carlye Wright of Snyder.

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Maintenance 'Blues'

Have you noticed anything new about maintenance personnel on campus? Well, you should, because they're dressed in blue.

New maintenance uniforms consist of blue smocks and shirts with a name tag on the left side and a WTC patch on the right.

The WTC Board of Trustees approved the uniforms at their Oct. 11 meeting. The uniforms cost each employee 25 percent with the college paying the other 75 percent.

Now, when that small problem arises you can find someone in the maintenance department to help you. Just look for the blue!

Valentine is Feb. 14!

LRC Reduces Hours

The LRC will no longer remain open the additional hour during evenings, according to Dr. James Tully, dean, because of lack of use.

According to L. V. Anderson, director of library science, evening hours were extended effective Nov. 29 for student use at the end of the fall term, but during the 10-day period only 12 students stayed in the building until near closing time. On three nights, no students stayed after 9 p.m., the normal closing time. Administrative approval was

given to resuming regular hours. Sunday hours will remain unchanged.

Anderson said average student usage during the 9-10 p.m. period was 1.2 students, not enough to justify the expense of keeping the LRC open the additional hour. However, according to a survey taken earlier this year, the normal hours of service are still greater than most of those of the 15 community colleges near WTC's size in the state.

Further recommended was that consideration be given to extending service hours to 10 p.m. during dead week and final exam week in the future.

PTK Initiates New Members

Phi Theta Kappa initiation ceremonies were held last night in the CSC.

Dr. Robert Clinton, WTC president, was guest speaker. A reception for members, initiates and guests followed.

Prospective initiates are selected from full-time honor students. Membership is by invitation only, and prospective members are selected as outlined by the national constitution of PTK. Students must achieve

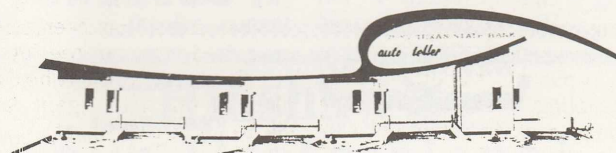
a 3.2 overall GPA and must exhibit good moral and recognized citizenship qualities.

Only nationally-recognized honor fraternity for two-year college students, Phi Theta Kappa provides its members with recognition for high academic achievement and leadership abilities. Those selected represent the top 10 percent scholastically at WTC.

The fraternity also serves as a service organization. Chapter

officers include Deneese Pemberton, president; Ken Gusta, vice-president; Marketa Sissom, secretary; Jean Gusta, historian; and Charlotte Cargile, treasurer. Campus sponsors are Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Dr. Mary Hood.

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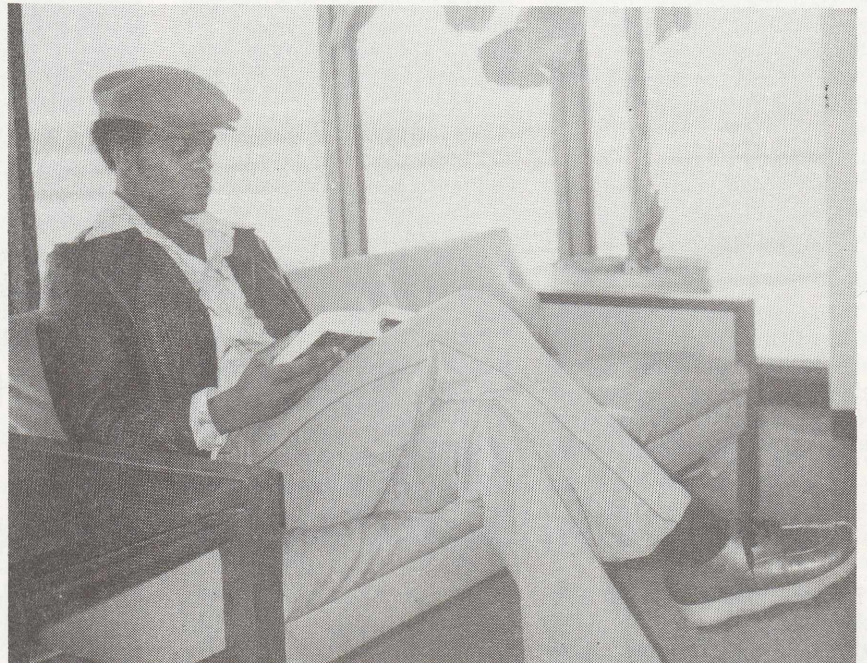
FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

Students Start New Term Struggle

photos by Linda Grissom



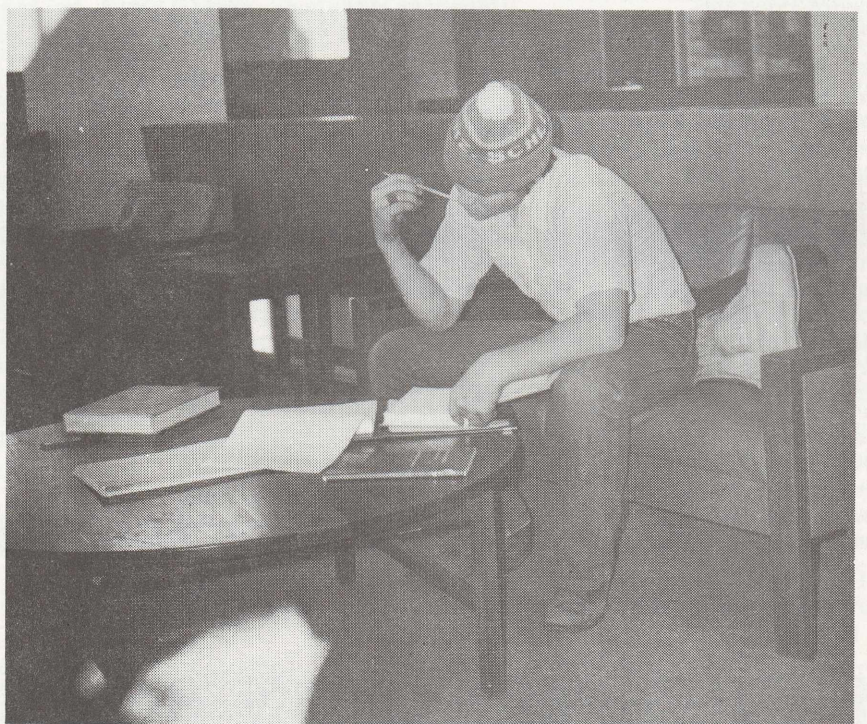
Vickie Berryman checks book prices



Lawrence Butler prepares to study



Amy Bollinger returns to dorm after class



A student looks over first class notes

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Dusters Fall To Queens, 87-54

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Coach Sid Simpson's Dusters fell to a talented Wayland Baptist team 87-54 here in non-conference play Jan. 29. The Flying Queens, nationally

ranked, were paced by Jill Rankin with 31 points. Teammates Marie Kocurek and Valerie Goodwin added 12 each. For WTC, Cindy Luttrull

netted 14, Janice Verden 13, and Rosemary Scott 10. Other Dusters scoring included Annie Tillman 6, Pam Tatum 5, Debbie McIvor 4, and Temi Baker 2.

The visitors held a 51-21 edge at halftime, but the Dusters almost equalled Wayland's 36-point effort in the second stanza with 33.

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WT Nabs Nine Holiday Victories

by Linda Grissom
MERRY CHRISTMAS?
HAPPY NEW YEAR?

You bet it was for the WTC Westerners. They didn't have time to give any games away this year because they were much too busy receiving them!

The gift-taking all started when Angelo State's junior varsity let WTC have the ribbons to wrap up a 101-67 victory Dec. 9, in Snyder.

Two conference games were next from 'Ole Saint Nick's bag of goodies when the Westerners opened an 85-69 present on Dec. 11 against Amarillo College in the Panhandle, then went on to put down Frank Phillips College at Borger with a 91-72 upset Dec. 13.

Darryl "Iceberg" Smith, Jon Moorehead, Doug Worthington and Lawrence Butler were all in double figures in that game. Although Butler did get kicked out with 10 minutes remaining, he posted 25 points for team honors.

Seemed the Phillips coach got a couple of surprises, too, when he was socked with two technical fouls for the evening.

This matchup ended Westerner play until the new year. Coach Mike Mitchell's forces found themselves rated No. 5 among the top 10 junior college teams in the nation with the College of Southern Idaho at Twin Falls; Dalton, Georgia Junior College; Palmer Junior College, Davenport, Iowa; and Pensacola, Florida Junior College above them.

The tidings continued to flow even though effects of the season began to disappear. WTC was faced with a three-day struggle for the honors of the Olympic Classic Tourney in Big Spring Jan. 6-8. To start the ball rolling, they came away with a 99-58 victory over Southwest Christian College of Terrell to keep them in competition. Butler was top netter with 23 and Larry Orton brought back 14 rebounds.

The cagers then plowed head-on into Cisco Junior College in

second-round play and walked away with a 97-60 triumph under their belts. In that bout, Butler led again with 36 points and Smith grabbed 15 rebounds.

The moment of truth, though, awaited WTC when they met Howard College in a heated overtime battle and took the crown for the tournament.

Smith did the high roping that night, putting down 20 marks on the books and Butch Person rebounded nine times, providing the Westerners with a 15-2 season record. Only games lost were conference affairs by a total of four points, three to Clarendon College in a 58-61 upset and one to New Mexico Junior College in an 81-82 battle.

Another overtime hairraiser was lurking around the corner in the hometown cracker box riot against Midland College Chaps here Jan. 10. Through regular play and one overtime, the score remained tied. All was not lost, when in a second overtime WTC pulled the right strings for the

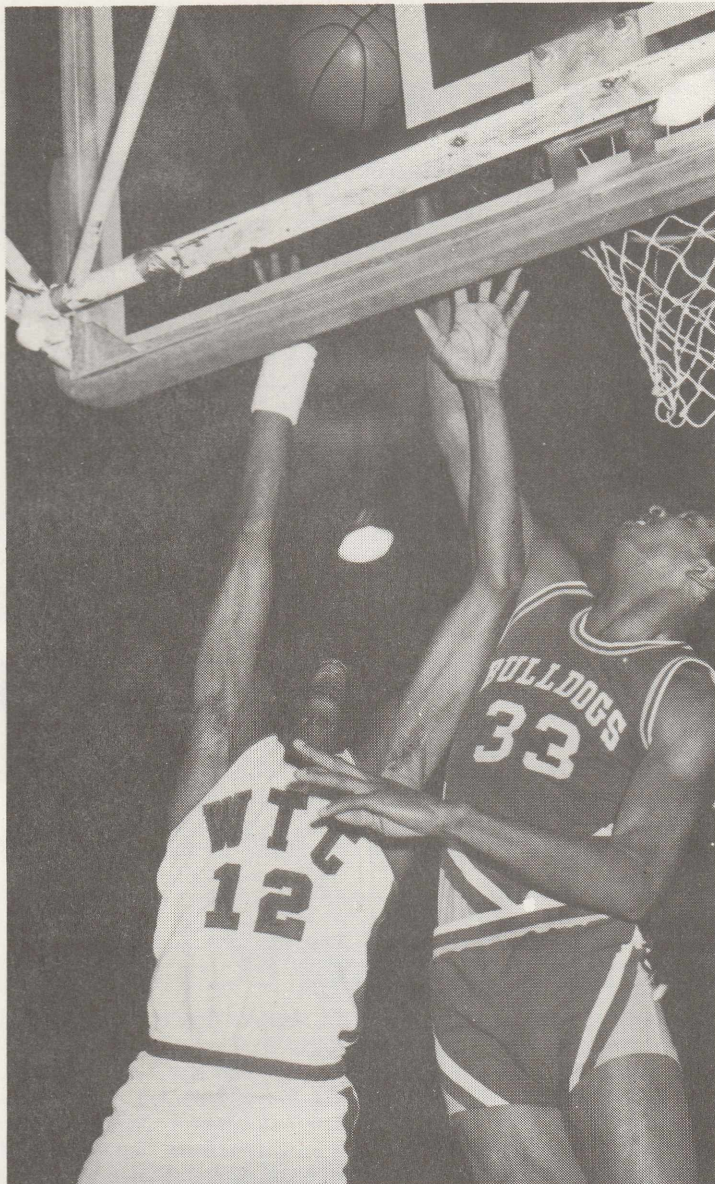
92-82 win. Butler took high stakes with 29 points. Orton and Smith split rebound honors with 11 each.

The Texans from South Plains College journeyed to Snyder Jan. 13 to take on the Westerners, but took a 77-57 licking back to Levelland with them. Winning intentions were on the minds of the Texans, but WTC stamped that idea out in the early minutes, stretching out to a comfortable 41-28 half-time lead.

Butler and Smith were tops in scoring with a total of 28 each, and the night's rebounder was Person with 12.

The victory boosted the team to a 17-2 season tally and a 4-2 loop mark.

Final game of the holiday break was a 76-58 upset played in Roswell, over New Mexico Military Institute Jan. 17. Butler and Smith took high count with 28 and 26, respectively, and Orton carried away 12 rebounds.



UP HIGH — WTC's Butch Person (12) leaps for a rebound against a Clarendon player in recent Westerner cage action. (photo by Neely Wright)

Westerners Nip Dogs, 60-54

WTC took honors again in another on-the-road conference battle Friday night when they lunged over Clarendon Junior College 60-54 in Clarendon.

Two Westerners were in double figures for the game. Lawrence Butler netted 14 and Darryl Smith tallied 17.

The game played against Clarendon earlier this season brought a disappointing 58-61 defeat to the WTC team. This bout has brought the Westerners

up to a 21-2 season record and an 8-2 conference mark to be ranked in the top four junior college teams in the nation.

WTC met New Mexico Junior College Monday, Jan. 31 in a conference cage match and will take on Amarillo College in another mix-up here Saturday. Frank Phillips College, also on the home battle field, comes up Feb. 7. Seven conference games remain in the season and only four are scheduled home games.

★LOWRY

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by the few who misbehaved. Human nature does not change, merely environment and opportunities."

Inez Lowry. Bubbling with enthusiasm overflowing to those around her. She loves the group of people at WTC and "could not find a finer group to work for and be with."

"My goal in a school year is to give the very best possible service to teachers and others on the campus. The purpose of the audio-visual department is to serve faculty and administrators. If the department

fails, its excuse for being is eradicated. No job is so well done that it cannot be improved. Therefore I shall endeavor to improve our services in every way possible."

Mrs. Lowry grew up in the northwest Arkansas Ozarks. She enjoyed her early youth and is now enjoying her later youth. She remembers her grandmother's words from an old Indian proverb: "Put on the other fellow's moccasins and walk a mile. See how the shoe fits you."

When you meet her, small in build but gigantic in soul, give her a holler — she's got a beautiful story to tell!

Green Takes Howard

by Linda Grissom

WTC's Westerners clashed in another Western Conference battle here Jan. 20 with Howard College of Big Spring, and came away with an 87-75 win. The Westerners came into the game with an 18-2 season record and a 5-2 conference showing.

At the half, Lawrence Butler led in scoring with 9 points, and Doug Worthington followed with 8. "Iceberg" Smith led in rebounds with 4 and Larry Orton had 3.

The Westerners carried an 11-point lead with a 37-26 run at the second half. Allen Corder put 2 points on the board for the Westerners before the second half kicked off due to a technical foul called on the Howard College Hawks. It was another good free throw night for Corder who banked up 9 points for the team.

Butler ended the game with 28 points for high scorer honors. Smith had high rebounds carrying over 7, and Orton followed with 5.

The final score of 87-75 leaves the Westerners with a 6-2 conference record, and a 19-2 season mark.

This made the second consecutive win over the Hawks this season. First was a 78-71 overtime victory played during the Olympic Classic Tournament in Big Spring Jan. 6-8.

To make matters more exciting for all concerned, though, the Westerners will have another chance to tangle with the HC Hawks again on foreign soil come Feb. 21.

GO

WESTERNERS!

Butler Snaps Game In Overtime

Did you see that shot?

It was a fairy tale come true for the No. 3 ranked National Junior College Athletic Association's Western Texas Westerners when 6'3" Lawrence Butler from Glasgow, Mo., heaved a 35-foot shot through the hoop Monday night in Odessa to throw another conference game into overtime.

Butler's shot came right on the final buzzer to give WTC a final boost in bringing home another win of 90-84.

The Westerners came into this game with a 19-2 season and

6-2 conference record. Odessa, their contenders, were standing at 14-5 for the season and 4-4 for loop play.

WTC was down by 6 points at the half with a score of 39-33. They met head on with OC and, "it was a close game all the way," stated Coach Mike Mitchell. "We didn't have a good shooting game last night."

Butler was leading scorer with 38 points and Larry Orton was leading rebounder with 10 for the night. Others scoring were Butch Person with 11, Allen Corder 13, Orton 7, Darryl Smith 14 and Jon Moorehead 7.

This game left WTC with a 7-2 WJAC record.



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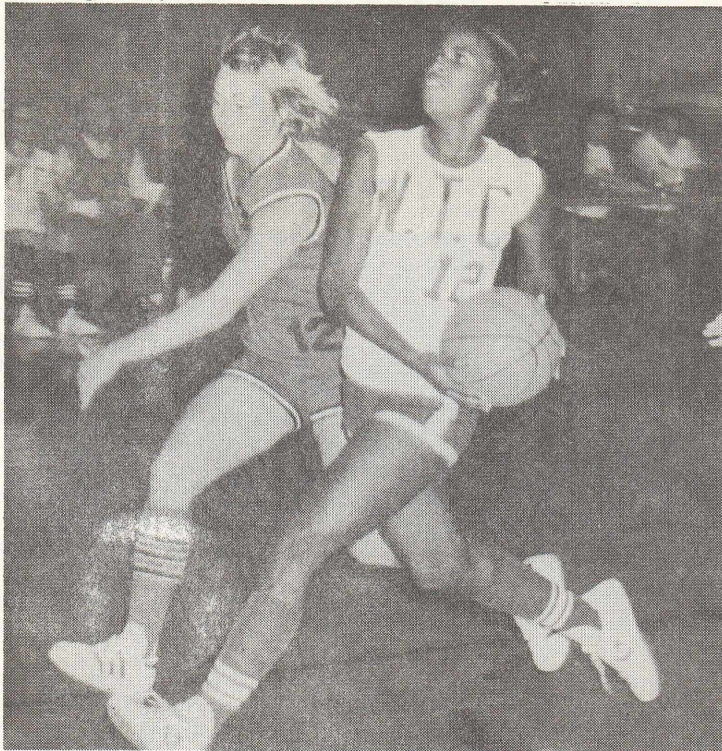
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ON THE MOVE — (Top) Rosemary Scott (12) races past a Tech defender for a basket, and (bottom) Brenda Jurecek (15) blocks a Tech shot attempt in recent Duster cage play. (photos by Neely Wright)

HOWARD, ODESSA, CLARENDON

Dusters Down Three Loop Foes

The high-flying Western Texas Dusters made it three in a row in conference play with January victories over Howard, Odessa, and Clarendon.

Coach Sid Simpson's team boosted their season record to 11-5 and remained atop the loop with a perfect 3-0 slate.

Against Howard College Jan. 20 in the Scurry County Coliseum, WTC waltzed to a 76-49 win after holding a comfortable 42-21 halftime advantage.

There were 17 turnovers in the game, but the Dusters coasted at one time to a 65-28 edge with nine minutes left.

WTC scoring included: Cindy Luttrull 15, Janice Verden 14, Temi Baker and Pam Tatum 13 each, and Annie Tillman 10.

Other Dusters adding to the total were Debbie McIvor 8, Barbara Denman 2, and Rosemary Scott 1. Top Howard

scorer was Letha Strickland with 18.

On Jan. 24 the locals travelled to Odessa, easing over their opponents 76-54 on the hot hands of Luttrull and Verden, with 20 and 17, respectively.

Other Dusters contributing included Tillman 12 and Tatum 10. Irene Garcia tallied 20 for the hosts in a losing cause.

WTC caught Odessa off guard and ran up a 43-21 halftime lead. In the second period, the Dusters and OC each garnered 33.

It was not so easy, though, Jan. 27 when Western Texas nosed out Clarendon in the Panhandle by 63-62 for an important conference win.

The Dusters were behind 33-31 at the half but managed to take a 51-41 edge with 10 minutes remaining. Then Clarendon rallied to tie it up and go ahead 60-59.

At the close of the game, WTC took a narrow 61-60 lead on two free throws by Baker. Then WTC got two more with 10 seconds left for a 63-60 edge, backing off to allow their hosts the final basket.

The Blue and Green shot 26 of 55 from the field for 47 percent in the first half and 15 of 26 for 58 percent in the second period. They also out-rebounded Clarendon 34-32.

High scorer for WTC was Baker with 14. Others figuring included Verden and Tatum with 9 each, Scott and McIvor each with 8, Luttrull 7, Tillman 6, and Denman 2.

The Dusters met Weatherford Monday night, a team which defeated WTC in regional play the past two years. Upcoming conference matches are Clarendon again here tonight in the college gym, and South Plains Saturday in the coliseum and again at Levelland Feb. 14.

Women Split Matches

During December and January, the Western Texas Dusters tasted both sweetness of victory and bitterness of defeat in non-conference action.

On the road to a tournament in Kansas City, WTC dropped a close pair to two four-year Oklahoma colleges, 63-62 to Northwest Oklahoma State in Alva Dec. 7 and 64-63 to Northern Oklahoma in Tonkawa Dec. 8.

In the first game, Cindy Luttrull and Janice Verden paced the Dusters with 11 each. Contributing were teammates Debbie McIvor and Brenda Jurecek with 10 apiece.

In the second match, Verden popped the nets for 22, while Luttrull and Pam Tatum notched 13 and 11, respectively.

It was a different story, though, in Kansas City as Coach Sid Simpson's forces fought their way to the title, via victories over Johnson County (Kansas) 74-40 and Haskell Institute 80-60.

Against the Johnson Kansans, WTC held a 36-20 halftime edge and coasted to a 38-20 advantage in the second stanza. Big guns for the Dusters were Verden, Rosemary Scott and Temi Baker with 18 each.

Other hometowners scoring included Tatum and McIvor with 6 apiece, and Luttrull and Cathy Minton each with 4.

Hapless Haskell fell behind at halftime to WTC 38-24, and the Dusters held off the Indians for a 42-36 edge in the second stanza.

Pacing WTC was Baker with 20, Tatum, 16, Verden 15, and Scott 13. Also scoring were Luttrull 7, Barbara Denman 5, and Jurecek and Marketa Sissom with 2 each.

The Dusters returned home, only to head north again to Plainview to meet the nationally-ranked Wayland Flying Queens Dec. 17. WBC defeated WTC 94-90. Only local

in double figures was Verden with 10.

After the new year arrived, the Dusters split a pair of non-loop encounters, first falling to a highly-touted Baylor squad here 72-63 but coming back to paste Eastern New Mexico University in Portales 69-53.

In the Baylor affray, Luttrull led WTC with 19 points and Verden managed 10. Also, Temi Baker garnered 9, Denman and Tatum each posted 6, and Scott 4.

The visiting Bears jumped out to a 48-34 halftime advantage, but the Dusters outscored their opponents in the second period by 29-24.

Against ENMU, WTC ran up a 32-19 first half lead and held on to a narrow 37-34 second stanza advantage.

Luttrull tallied 15, Tillman 14, and Tatum 13 for the winning Duster cause. Adding to the Duster total were Scott 8, Baker 7, Verden 6, Denman 4, and McIvor 2.

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Feb. 17	Weatherford	Weatherford
Feb. 21	*Howard	Big Spring
Feb. 24	*Odessa	Here
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