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Clay, Morgan In Freshman Runoff

Toby Bunn Elected Vice-President; Carol Heyer Chosen As Secretary

Still in the race for Freshman Class President following last Friday's election are Christy Morgan and Jim Clay, last remaining participants in one of the most heated battles for a class presidency seen at Southwestern in years. Lacking a sufficient majority of votes to qualify for the position, both of the candidates must again be voted upon by the Freshman class in a second run-off. Eliminated in the first election was Bill Boyce, and in Monday's run-off, John D. Reese.

Elected Monday to fill the other Freshman offices were Toby Bunn of Jonesboro, Arkansas, vice-president, and Carol Heyer of Memphis, secretary-treasurer.

The final run-off for the presidency will be held Friday, October 17th, at the Student Union Store, from 9:00 A.M. until 1:30. The Elections Commission has expressed disappointment at the small number of freshmen voting, and urged all members of the class to make a special effort to back one of the candidates.

The Elections Commission is composed of representatives from all sororities and fraternities, and the independent men and independent women. Bill Hopkins is president of the Commission. Officials who will supervise voting procedure will be chosen from the Commission, and their rulings must be obeyed.

Vinton Cole Chosen To Be STAB Blonde

Vinton Cole has been chosen the one blond member of S.T.A.B. She is a member of the junior class and assistant secretary of Chi Omega sorority. She was in the Beauty Section of the 1946 annual and has been a member of the Y.W.C.A. Cabinet for two years. She is also on the staffs of the Sou'wester and the Lynx.

Members of S.T.A.B. are Janie V. Paine, president; Hilma Seay, vice-president; Carolyn Reynolds, secretary treasurer; Lucile Hamer; Betty Jo Brantley; Jeanne Edens; and Sue Henry.

S.T.A.B. is an intersorority to promote friendly relations among sorority women on the campus. The organization is composed of 13 girls, 12 of whom are traditionally brunets and one member who is a blond.

FRATERNITY PLEDGING

Kappa Alpha announces the pledging of John E. Thomas of Pensacola, Florida, and John Poe, of Memphis.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon announces the pledging of George Klepper, of Memphis.

These men were pledged Saturday night in accordance with the rules laid down by the Pan council, governing pledging of old students and summer school students.

S'Western Plays Centre Saturday

Lynx Hosts to Praying Colonels; Game to be Played at Crump Stadium

On Saturday night at 8 P. M. the Lynx play host to the Praying Colonels from Centre College at Crump Stadium. The charges of Coach "Swede" Anderson (who formerly assisted Bo McMillin at Indiana U.) have a five or six pound per man advantage in weight but are more nearly the size of the Southwestern squad than any team which the latter has met this season.

The Colonels won their first game of the campaign from Tusculum by a 28-0 score, but were dropped by Maryville 25-12 last Saturday. Their offensive line-up is the "T" formation, but they frequently shift into the single and double wing formations.

At least two of the Lynxmen and possibly four will be sidelined because of injuries. Alan Smith and Forrest Flaniken will definitely remain out of action, and the injured legs of Bob Amis and Conrad Carroll, giant tackles, may not be healed sufficiently to permit them to see much play. The same lineup which opened last week's game will start with possibly two exceptions. Coach Clemens is undecided on the left halfback spot where Sam Blair and Jack Doyle are close contestants, and declares that the right end position is wide open. Eldon Roark, who seems to be the receiver the passers have been looking for, is fast rounding into condition after reporting to the squad three weeks after the others. He is one of the foremost contenders for the job but will no doubt receive serious competition from several others.

Probable Starting Lineup

Southwestern	Po.	Centre
Dunnivant	LE	Hundley
Graves	LT	Wilson
Dickerson	LG	Inman
Harris	C	Walton
Ashley	RG	Schultz
Ping	RT	Schreiber
(undecided)	RE	Ellis
Swingle	QB	Lockard
Blair or Doyle	LHB	Brummett
Bland	RHB	Cline
Bryant	FB	Adams

CHEERLEADERS ELECTED

Joanne Campbell, Mary Belle Currier, Martha Ellen Davidson, Dot Fenton, Jane Woodson, Patty Weaver, Bruce Lowry, Jere Nash, and Tommy Taylor were chosen cheerleaders by S. A. B. A. Monday, October 6.

These nine were elected from a group of approximately twenty candidates.

Jane Ogden To Be Homecoming Queen



Courtesy Commercial Appeal

Maids Of Honor Chosen By S Club

Plans for the 1947 Homecoming Day Celebration Nov. 1st were completed last weekend with the election by the "S" Club of Miss Jane Ogden as Homecoming Queen, who will rule for the day with her two freshman maids, Betty Carlisle and Sarah Fuller. During the Homecoming Game, the President of the Student Body, Bob Amis, or in his absence, the Vice President, Dean Bailey, will sit with the Queen, and the President and Vice President of the Freshman Class will sit with the maids.

Classes will not meet on Homecoming Day.

Decoration Rules

The program for the day will include:

1. Football Game, Southwestern vs Hendrix, 2:00 P.M. Crump Stadium, Admission \$1.00 (No seats reserved—the first to arrive at the stadium will presumably occupy the choicest seats.)

2. Fraternity and sorority open houses after the game.

3. Alumni dinner (free), 7:00 P.M. in Neely Hall.

4. Dance in the Gym beginning at 8:00 P.M. Admission \$1.00 per couple; seventy-five cents stag.

Tickets for the game may be secured either at the Alumni Office or at Crump Stadium. Tickets for the dance are available at the Alumni Office.

The "S" Club, in cooperation with the vice presidents of the Student Body, plans a Freshman "Shoe Race" during the half-time period of the game.

Program

The Alumni Office has released the rules concerning the traditional House Decorations of Homecoming Day. The decorations are to be based on Halloween themes, and regulations are as follows:

1. Two awards will be made, one to the Fraternity and one to the Sorority whose decorations are judged the best.

2. The awards will be based principally on originality of design, but beauty, workmanship and arrangement of details will be considered.

3. Only the decorations on the outside of the houses and in the yard will be considered. Inside decorations are not encouraged because such decorations are likely to violate Fire Department restrictions.

4. Decorations must be completed by noon Saturday, November 1, 1947.

5. The judges, who are not alumni and therefore impartial, will be Mrs. Clyde Hudson, of the Memphis Academy of Arts, and Mr. Bill Greenlaw.

DDD And ATO Lead In Averages

The following is the list of scholastic averages of the student organizations for the second semester last year. The list was not released in time for publication last year.

Student Body average	2.41
Men's average	2.36
Women's averages	2.50
Veterans averages	2.39

Sorority averages	
Delta Delta Delta	2.87
Zeta Tau Alpha	2.68
Gamma Delta	2.66
Kappa Delta	2.55
Chi Omega	2.54
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.47

Fraternity Averages	
Alpha Tau Omega	2.56
Sigma Nu	2.42
Pi Kappa Alpha	2.41
Kappa Sigma	2.33
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	2.31
Kappa Alpha	2.15
Total Fraternity averages	2.47
Total Independent averages	2.34
Tri-Delta was awarded the scholarship cup.	

Kappa Alpha Names Officers

Alpha Epsilon chapter of Kappa Alpha Order announces the following officers for the year:

Grand Master: Dean Bailey.
Second Master: Russell Bryant.
Grand Scribe: James Moorland.
Chapter Secretary: Gene Page.
Chapter Historian: Amos Rogers.
Purser: Clifford Green.
Parliamentarian: Millen Darnell.
Knight Usher: Frank Gattuso.

Y.W.C.A. Holds Fall Initiation

Marriage as a Career Theme Presented to New Members

On Saturday, October 4th, the Y.W.C.A. held its first luncheon meeting of the year at the Kappa Delta house. Eight freshman girls were initiated in the traditional candle-lighting ceremony, and plans were formulated for the year. Betty Shea, president, and members of the cabinet took part in a very impressive service. Vinton Cole explained the purpose of the organization, and Joan Cogswell read the passage of scripture on which it is based. Jane Kilvington explained the symbol, the blue triangle, which stands for the ideal of a well-rounded life.

The theme selected for the year is "Marriage as a Career." A special speaker will be invited to speak on a phase of this subject at each meeting.

Each year the Y.W.C.A. has a special project, and this year it will be the care of a German family of four. Every member is to bring an article of clothing for the family to each meeting, and a committee will be appointed to take charge of the project every month. Patty Weaver, Jeanne Roberds, and Joan Fite are serving this month.

Two additional committees of six members each will be appointed in charge of arrangements.

Special guests at the meeting were Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Reveley, and Mrs. Southard.

Student Body Votes For Publication Head

Five Candidates Seek Presidency

The pre-election stump orators and tree-filling campaign posters will all disappear on Thursday night at midnight preceding the voting for a Publications Board President on Friday, October 17.

The elections commission, under the direction of Bill Hopkins, has been busy screening the candidates for the office, and has narrowed the field to five. These five will be voted on by the entire student body.

Those nominated for the presidency are; Virginia Ann Withers, Jean Edens, Gene Page, John Broderick, and William L. Bowden.

Procedure for the nomination was to have been named on a petition which was supported by a minimum of one-hundred student's signatures. These petitions were turned over to the Elections Commission for final screening. The above named candidates are the result.

The office of Publication Board President is indeed an important and coveted position at Southwestern. The main duties are to coordinate the various student publications, namely; THE SOU'WESTER, THE LYNX, and THE STYLUS. The board strives to assure the student body of worthy publications and true representation of the school and the students.

It would be well for all students to remember the importance of the position when casting their ballot. For that matter it is wise to know the persons for whom you vote. Choose the candidate whose qualifications fill what you feel necessary for the office

Balloting will take place in the Student Union Store on Friday, October 17, between the hours of 9-1:30. All of the student body is urged to cast a vote for their choice. The only requirement for voting is to have in your possession a Student Activities Book.

Barbara Burnett Tapped By Torch

Torch, the Senior Women's Honor Society, held chapel on Oct. 10, at which time Barbara Burnett was tapped. She is to fill the vacancy created by Beverly Beane, who did not return to Southwestern this year. Her scholastic average is 3.25.

The membership of Torch consists of the upper twenty-five percent of the women students in the Senior Class, as long as that number does not exceed ten. Also, a 2.6 scholastic average must have been maintained.

Plans are being made by Torch for its annual luncheon at the end of the eight week period, honoring all women students who make a "B" average.

NOTICE

Leave all manuscripts for RENAISSANCE in the Sou'wester office or give them to Bill Marsh or Dick Wood. If these manuscripts warrant, they will be turned over to Stylus for possible use in the Journal. Manuscripts for Stylus may be turned in to the above or any of the following: Bill Bowden, John Broderick, Dick Bolling, W. R. Hatchett, Jimmy Roper, Dr. Wolf, Dr. Johnson, Prof. J. R. Benish.

Lynx Band Gives Brief Concert

The 1947 Lynx Band was introduced to the Student Body of Southwestern at an Open House held in the Band House on Thursday, October 9. Under the direction of Mr. Don Cassel, an instructor at the College of Music, the band played three marches: "Indiana State Fair," "Invercargel," and "Gloreia."

Though this is the first Lynx Band organized in five years, there are already 30 members in the group. The band is fortunate in having Lee Corneille's old trumpet player, who was previously with Artie Shaw, four symphonic groups, and a protege of Paul Whitman at the age of 14. Another valuable member is Nick Causey, who was with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra last year. There are experienced players in all sections, so that the band sounds well-balanced.

Band officers for the coming year include:

Jim Carey—President
Carmen Roper—Secretary
Bob Matthews—Librarian

The band uniforms, made of black and red gabardine, are practically new. For a change, there are girls in the band this year. During Football Season the band will play for all home games; next spring, a full-length concert will be presented.

Session Breaks Former Records

Southwestern opened its 1947-48 session with an enrollment of 751 students, the largest in its history. The number exceeded last years enrollment by 46. The Freshman Class leads the list with 236 students of which 14 are boys and 92 girls. The Sophomore Class is next in line with a total of 226 of which 147 are boys and 79 are girls. Next on the list is the Junior Class in which the men students again out-rank the women students by 81 to 44. The Senior Class is the smallest class with 52 men and 63 women students. Forty-nine persons comprise the special students with 43 men to 6 women students.

Two hundred thirty-six new students enrolled. Placement tests indicated that these students ranked above the National norms. The average for the "American Council of Education Classification Test" was exceeded by 17 points by the new students. The National Average A.C.E. test is 50; Southwestern students made 67. Of the incoming Freshmen, 83 percent stood in the upper brackets of their previous classes. Sixty per cent of the newcomers were in the upper one-fourth of their previous classes.

The veterans returned for the new school session, but in less numbers than last year. The total veterans enrolled was 279 of which 5 were women.

The large enrollment is amply taken care of by Southwestern's faculty of 61 teachers. Including instructors of collegiate level at the College of Music, the faculty provides a teacher to every 12.3 students.

C.U.C. Forum At Pike House

A Christian Union Forum will be held Friday, October 17, at 3:45 in the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity Lodge. The subject under discussion will be: "The U. S. N. S. A.—Why and What?" Willie Jones in charge of the forum.

The U. S. N. S. A., launched at a constitutional convention at the University of Wisconsin August 30-September 7, is the United States National Student Association. At the convention there were some 700 delegates present, representing 1,100,000 students in 351 leading colleges and universities throughout the United States. Willie Jones represented Southwestern. This group gives American college students unprecedented voice in the educational world. Every college in the United States is naturally a member of the organization, and if this membership is taken advantage of as it should be many improvements in educational, social, and moral habits can be made on a large scale. The permanent headquarters of the N. S. A. is on the University of Wisconsin campus in Madison.

Among the aims of N. S. A. as enumerated in the preamble to the constitution are to "secure and maintain academic freedom and the rights of students; stimulate the development of democratic self-government; foster better educational standards, methods and facilities; work for the improvement of student social, cultural, and physical welfare; promote international understanding and fellowship; and aid in securing for all people equal rights and possibilities of primary, secondary, and higher education regardless of sex, religion, political beliefs or economic circumstances."

The forum will principally be concerned with explaining the N. S. A. and getting the students' opinions on it. It is up to the student body as a whole to decide whether this organization should play a very big part on this campus or not.

A.A.U.W. Season Opens With Tea

The Memphis Chapter of the American Association of University Women opened its fall and winter season Friday, October 3, with a business meeting and tea at Southwestern. The beautifully appointed tea was held in the Cloister preceding the meeting.

Mrs. S. J. Buckman, president of the A.A.U.W., addressed the group on her recent trip to Europe. Dr. and Mrs. Buckman left for Europe the middle of June and spent six weeks in Sweden. A three-week motor trip in that country proved highly delightful. Their entire trip to Norway, Sweden, Finland, France, Switzerland, and England was made by air.

Mrs. A. Theodore Johnson was chairman of the tea, with Mrs. Elmer Butler chairman of teas for the year. Mrs. Charles Diehl and Miss Virginia Moreno presided at the tea table. Mrs. W. A. Hochmeister was in charge of the program.

Assisting Mrs. Johnson were Mrs. C. L. Baker, Mrs. Al Clemens, Mrs. C. M. Gooch, Mrs. A. P. Kelso and Mrs. Robert W. Hartley.

The tea was followed by a visit of A.A.U.W. members to Voorhies Hall.

S.A.E.

Tennessee Zeta of Sigma Epsilon initiated Carl Graves, Monday, Oct. 13.

Bowden Elected To Head Stylus

The Stylus Club elected Bill Bowden as president in its first meeting of the new school year held Wednesday, September 24. The staff of the Stylus Journal, periodical publication of the Club, was selected as follows: Editor-in-Chief, Jim Roper; Poetry and Drama Editor, Dick Wood; Short Stories Editor, Dick Bolling; Miscellaneous Editor, John Broderick; Business Manager, William Hatchett.

All students interested in creative writing are invited to submit specimens of their work to the Club. Those of literary merit will be published, and if two are accepted from any student he will be eligible for membership in the organization. In addition, a special Freshman Cup is to be awarded to the first year student who hands in the outstanding article from his class during the year. In past years Southwestern has produced Journals of high quality and genuine talent, and this year should bring forth the best yet.

On October 7, the Editing Committee met in the Bell Room for a reading of the new Constitution which will lay the groundwork for future Stylus activities. The document was ratified by the membership. First readings and criticism of material was done and several works of publishable merit were selected for inclusion in the pre-Christmas edition of the Stylus Magazine.

Tentative plans were discussed for the organization's participation in this year's Southern Literary Festival which is to be held at Delta State Teacher's College. The Festival is conducted by a number of literary clubs from many colleges, representative of new talent all over the South. This year's convention is under the direction of A. Theodore Johnson, Dean of Southwestern College.

Frat Facts

The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was founded at the University of Virginia on March 1, 1868. Ten years later, Theta Chapter was installed as the first Fraternity on the Southwestern Campus.

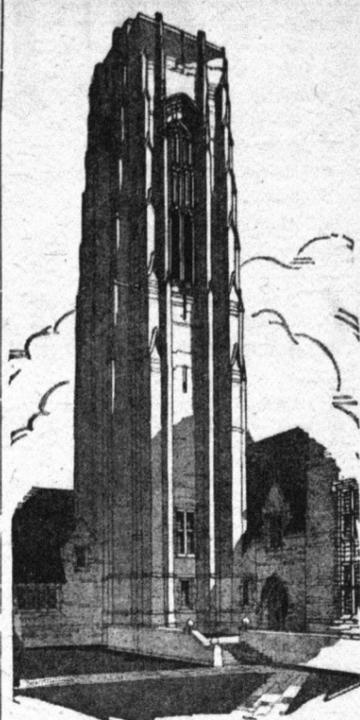
During the Reconstruction period following the Civil War, Alpha Chapter was temporarily disbanded and the Chapter at Southwestern became, and is still, the mother chapter of the Fraternity.

In recognition of the part Theta Chapter played in the building of Pi Kappa Alpha, it was decided last year to move the Fraternity National Headquarters here to Memphis from Atlanta, and to construct a \$250,000 National Headquarters and Memorial Building on four acres of land on the corner of University and North Parkway which Southwestern donated to the Fraternity. Present plans call for the actual construction to begin in the near future.

The outstanding Pi Kappa Alpha social event of the year is always Founder's Day Banquet and Ball given each March in Memphis by the five chapters in Memphis and Northern Mississippi. This Banquet honors the Dream Girls of Pi K A who are chosen each March by every active chapter in the Fraternity.

The officers of Theta Chapter this semester are Gerry Sweett, President; Carlin Stuart, Vice-president; Thomas West, Treasurer; Robert Henry, Secretary; and Paul Kates, Historian.

Chapel Chimes



By Dr. Gibbs

What is the Use of Praying?
...Andrew Carnegie, the wealthy steel magnate of a past generation, once remarked to a group of men that he did not feel the need of prayer. "What is the use of praying," he asked. "I already have everything I want." "What more could I ask for?" One of his hearers remarked, "Perhaps, sir, you might pray for the grace of humility."

The person who thinks he does not need to pray does not understand the meaning of communion with God. The purpose of prayer is not to get something from God but to allow God to make us into the kind of men He would have us become. We are prodigal sons if our only words to Our Father are "Give Me." We begin to be true sons if we kneel before Him and humbly say, "Make me." One thing prayer can most certainly do is change the spirit of the man who prays in sincerity and truth.

Jesus tells us how to pray. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave His disciples simple instructions on how to pray. "Enter into thy closet," he said. We do well to have a special place that reminds us of God because it is regularly used for prayer. "Shut the door," Jesus added. One needs quiet and seclusion. A person can pray to God anywhere, but he will be better able to pray amid distracting influences if he regularly has his own quiet place. A worship corner, or a picture of Christ on the wall, will help us to center our thoughts upon God.

By his example Jesus taught the disciples to pray early in the morning. If we are wise we will direct our thoughts toward God when we first awaken, for what we think of in the morning helps to give tone to the day. We will pray also at night, for, knowing the power of the subconscious, we will not wish to go to sleep without thinking of God. Knowing that the mind is active while we sleep, should we not seek to make it active on the highest level?

Prayer requires practice.

Paderewski said that if he stopped practicing on the piano for a single day he could notice the difference in his playing; if he stopped for two days his family knew it; if he stopped for three days his friends knew it; and if he did not practice for a week his public knew it.

FRAT NEWS

At a meeting of Phi Chapter of Kappa Sigma fraternity on October 6th, Alan Babin was officially installed as Guard, and Bill Hatchett was named as Publicity Chairman.

RENAISSANCE

What pyramids have we built? The most significant thing about the pyramids is their uniqueness. Some one conceived the plans, some one solve the mathematics of their engineering, many carried the stones. Southwestern has always placed its emphasis on building the pyramid of character. The school has sought to stimulate curiosity — rather more than curiosity, a will to seek and find. If everyone who has passed through these cloisters has not been filled with an ardor for seeking out the meaning beyond our commonly accepted life, we cannot place all the blame on the school. At least in part the students have been lax. The best a professor can do is to open a door; the student must step through himself. We have the material; and at least in the rough, we have the blue prints; it is up to us to build the pyramids.

Some of the manuscripts that have come into the hands of the editors and into the Stylus have shown a great deal of talent, others have shown great promise. None have been so bad as to warrant their dismissal as hopeless, while some have been good enough to call forth frank admiration from those who have been reading the works. We are looking for more students work, and looking in anticipation toward the journal to be published by Stylus in the spring, for it promises to be one which can give us all something to be proud of. We need more manuscripts, however, both here and in Stylus. The literary effort of Southwestern might well be its

pyramid. This is the blue print, in general; it needs to be filled out and built up with many stones. THE WILL TO DO—

One characteristic of the Renaissance was the "will to do." No one who has investigated that great period has been bored by lethargic personalities. Benvenuto Cellini was undoubtedly one of the world's greatest liars, but he was a man of action too, and not all of the high adventure he tells of was the figment of his fertile imagination. He was good in his several fields, and since he wrote such an interesting autobiography we can forgive him if he thought himself somewhat greater than he actually was. We would not care to advocate the colossal egoism of Cellini for today's living, but we do advocate some of his zest for life. We have perhaps the best age since Cellini's for living a zestful life. Now, as then, the world is in the process of a rapid metamorphosis. Whether we like it or not, we are heading, scrambling headlong, into a new age. It is our age; ours to make as we will. War and peace; progress and retrogression; the good life and the bad; these are in our hands for the choosing. We have been so badgered into the theories of determinism that we have half come to believe that our days are numbered and that we cannot influence the way they are to go. Cellini managed pretty well to influence the way his days went as did Leonardo and the host of greats who were their contemporaries. The great modern fallacy is non-constructive criticism. We tend to criticise with the attitude that here

is what is wrong but there is nothing we can do about it. Cellini thought Michaelangelo was a BUM. We recognize that Cellini was hardly justified in such an opinion, but the point is, Cellini did not just shout "Michaelangelo is a Bum"; he went out and tried to sculpt a better statue—and sincerely thought he had done so. We need a little more of that sort of spirit.

THE METHOD—

The method lies in thought and sweat. Both of these commodities can be obtained at very little expense, and the reward they offer off-sets by a good margin the discomfort entailed in using them. Anyone can write a decent story—provided he wants to write it and has the GUTS to stick with it. The method is a challenge, but all things that are worth while are challenges. We want to make a good showing at the literary festivals and in the journals that Southwestern publishes. But the issue is bigger than a school's publications or honor cups. It is the difference between living a vital, zestful life, and existing as a well worn wheel in an old, unchanging rut. The day is not far off when we shall have to choose. May I fit you for a pair of wings, sir? The view from the north-east clouds is magnificent.

Grow, sunlight,
through the plaster crack,
the windows are smeared up;
the glass is hid
and too ornate
to pass sunlight.

One beam
through the plaster crack . . .
some light!

come,
Pure white
unrefracted
hallway for the dancing dust!
William Marsh

Come into the air-conditioned
kingdom, Come!
(Are you washed in the blood,
in the blood, in the blood. Not for
years, not for life, but forever?)

Here we go 'round Gethsemane
Gethsemane
At ten of a Sunday morning.

Tests by leading authorities show
—No other Heaven can make this
statement—
That Jesus saves, O Yes He saves!
With a careful budget
And planned economy
And pledges in advance.
(Get your cards from the usher,
Little Brother Birds of Assisi).
Just tear off the wrapper of
bright blue faith
From one immortal soul
(Or reasonable facsimile)
And send it in postmarked
Not later than the Wednesday
meeting
Of the Board of Stewards.

James Roper

Last spring there was a convention of small literary groups from various liberal arts institutions in the mid-south at Blue Mountain College. A few delegates went down from here. The weather was bad, the college there could not serve food to all of the people present, and the meeting as a whole seemed rather pale and dull. Most of the speeches were lightly dribbled out to the audience in the overwarm manner of village sages and courthouse Bryans. The tender young poetesses of Blue Mountain and MSCW were heartily encouraged to go on writing heart-breaks in teacups; professional creative-writing teachers waxed

economic o'er the possibilities of marketing the clever potboiler. The crowd was staid, typically phlegmatic, and everybody sat on his hands after each speech. Conspicuously absent were loudly dressed dillettantes, bohemian intellectual hoodlums, and sad, long-faced, nervous goddesses of the Remington-Rand and the style of Virginia Woolf. (These are the types that haunt writer's conferences in other parts of the country.) Nobody in the audience was showing off; each face brooded lightly over the proceedings; there was a sense of expectation, of calm-before-storm. Then it came; Jesse Stuart, the Kentuck farm boy from W-Hollow, the natural sonneteer, regional balladmaster, huffing and puffing with the heat and vitality of his own good sweet earth arose from his half-crouch in his chair on the stage and belted the audience with everything he had. Never has such poetic beef trampled so happily through the china-shops of these yearning hearts. Jesse told the story of his life at the top of his big voice; he took a dozen different stances—he picked up the barn, the old sow, and the

bull-tongued plow all in one hand and hurled them at the sun. He perspired like a mule; he got lost in himself. He talked about the life he had known and lived with such forceful naivete that even the atmosphere of the Modena Lowery Berry Auditorium lost its staleness. Nobody could deny that Jesse Stuart is a great man after hearing that wild dissertation. Perhaps his works are blunt and often too consciously regional, but the life of the man himself sprang out from his heavy body like flashes of lightning from aegis-bearing Zeus. His spirit of "lust for life" and derring-do exemplifies partially what we are trying to describe as the new renaissance spirit.

"Renaissance" here is not a term but an image—it carries the connotation of zest, of individualism, of eagerness in the matter of discovering new values in our land, insight into the worth of life for the profit of our eroded, almost undeveloped culture. The south of our time is yet agrarian for the most part; the cities are young, aggressive, and uncultivated in the arts. Some of the life in the south

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Let's Have Fair Play

The story that you read on Page 1 concerning the identity of Southwestern's Alumni Homecoming Queen is, probably old news to you. Both the Memphis papers have printed it, yesterday evening and this morning.

The story belonged to this college. The Alumni Office gave the "Sou'wester" the exclusive right to it, it was to be school news released by the school, and by an agreement with the "Press-Scimitar" and the "Commercial Appeal" those papers were not to be given the news until after the "Sou'wester" had been published and was in the hands of the students, and the alumni had been notified.

Both the "Commercial Appeal" and the "Press-Scimitar" were tipped off by sources among our "loyal" and "sworn to secrecy" students. Each of those newspapers, knowing that the other had the news already, naturally called void their agreements with the college to withhold the story and began the race to be first to get it into print.

Confidence in our college by those newspapers has been shaken. The students responsible have betrayed both themselves and the college's pledged word.

The "Sou'wester" has been scooped. I am not afraid to admit it. But I have gone further. Officials of the "Commercial Appeal" and the "Press-Scimitar" justifiably refusing to divulge the names of the informants, myself and several others have made our own private investigation and have obtained those names. Our printer tells us that he possesses type large enough to print them so that they may be read from the other side of the Mississippi River.

Backed earnestly by President Diehl and the Alumni Office, I dare them to try it again.

BILL HATCHETT
EDITOR

Homecoming

Saturday, November 1st is Homecoming Day; it is the day when all Southwestern's loyal alumni come back to their old Alma Mater, filled with pride at the advances that have been made and full of memories of "when I was here". This year the School has decided to give the student body a holiday so they can participate more fully than ever in the activities of the day. The interest that the student body shows in this event and its full participation will make this the greatest and the largest Homecoming in history. Support it with all your heart. It will mean more to the returning Alums than it will cost you.

Let Them Be Heard

When a student complains that his college lacks this or lacks that, he usually does so without any careful and impartial judgment of the case. Some of the things we would like to see at Southwestern are impractical, or, at this time, impossible if we stop to think about them seriously.

But, on the other hand, when a student learns that something is missing here which could, with a little effort on the part of the administration, be obtained; when he decides that it would definitely be of an educational value; and when he learns that other colleges all over the country have it, and we do not; then it is that the student begins to ask, and rightly, "Why?"

We are referring to the need at Southwestern for a system which would enable us to hear talks and lectures by prominent figures in various fields, chiefly those of the ministry, education, and government.

It is seldom indeed that Southwestern invites to speak before us anyone who has a nationwide, or even a regional, reputation of importance. It is, for that matter, somewhat of a rarity when one of our own faculty takes the time to address us concerning his own opinion of some matter, such as political events of the day.

Two years ago the college held a Symposium of Ancient Civilization, consisting of weekly lectures at night by members of the faculty. These lectures were well attended by students as well as by the residents of Memphis, and a great deal of favorable comment was heard. We would like to see such an arrangement reinstated.

Goodwyn Institute is the constant scene of excellent talks by well known speakers. Southwestern could well afford the small expense of inviting them, while already in the city, to appear also at the college. The crowds which mob the Institute on lecture nights are good evidence of the desire of a thinking person to hear someone who "knows what he is talking about."

There are several organizations in our country whose business it is to plan tours of various colleges and lecture halls by speakers of note. Southwestern should be included on a circuit.

Our college is by no means a poor one, and money which is spent to further the actual education of the students is money invested in assuring the future of the institution.

We would like to be able to hear experts speak to us of their own knowledge and opinions. We would like to hear a word or two from the "Outside World." As it is, we are not hearing anything but a re-hash of what is already written in our textbooks.

Why?

Letters To The Editor

714 Desire Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
September 20, 1947

Editor of The Sou'wester
Southwestern University
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Editor:

In this letter our group of Tulane University students proposes the introduction of a college grading system under which a student simply passes or fails; that is, a system which does not overemphasize grades.

We are sending letters to the presidents of 400 American universities and asking them to consider the proposal because we realize that the successful administration of a grading system of this type requires the approval of a majority if not of all American universities. We are sending letters to 500 journalists, statesmen, writers, and business executives, because we believe that the influence exerted upon our society by the proposed grading system would not be confined to academic institutions.

Several weeks ago our twenty-one students began thinking about our modern American culture with the intention of discovering detrimental points of weakness.

In our schools we notice that too many students come to work for grades and regard the scholarship, which the grade symbolizes, only as a secondary interest. Later these students work for salaries and often forget that interest in their work and contentment with occupational achievements are the more important considerations. It is fairly well founded, I believe, that so artificial a motive as an external reward cannot fully develop the latent capabilities of an individual.

We believe that the Pass or Fail Grading System would remove emphasis from grades and place it

upon more meaningful goals, such as personal satisfaction with scholastic attainment.

We would begin by using a transitional Pass or Fail Grading System. This program, which would be used until all American universities agree to recognize the pure or complete Pass or Fail Grading System, would work in the following manner: Professors would assign a grade of P (pass) or F (fail) to the students and would record a letter grade (A,B,C,D, etc.) in the Dean's office for each student for the information of graduate schools at other universities which would not have acknowledged, as yet, the pure or complete Pass or Fail Grading System. Several supporters of the plan suggest that a third letter symbol, HP (High Pass) be given to those students who turn in perfect papers. This transitional program, which is more fully discussed in the enclosed report, would be a considerable improvement in itself. However, as soon as all universities agree to recognize or to accept the Pass or Fail Grading System, the pure or complete Pass or Fail Grading System, under which no grades are recorded in anybody's office, would be introduced.

In order to arouse interest in the proposed grading system at Tulane University, we presented a survey of four questions to the members of the faculty. However, the proposed grading system was not fully discussed. Of the 104 faculty members who replied, 41 (about four times as many as we expected) stated they believed that the (transitional) Pass or Fail Grading System would be an improvement.

John E. Lane
Chairman of the Tulane Student Movement for Investigating the Pass or Fail Grading System

POLITICS

By Howard Hurt

It has been very gratifying to observe the hustle and bustle with which the "Lynx" staff has been going about the business of getting out this year's Annual. After a number of rather disappointing year books, I feel that this year may see Southwestern with one of the best in its history. Of course, it is not only the responsibility of the staff of the "Lynx," but every member of the student body is under the deepest of obligations in such matters as having his picture taken at the proper time and thus avoiding additional expense. There is still some question as to the method of financing the college publications, but this is a problem more for the student body, through their representatives on the Publications Board, to work out, than for the members of the "Lynx" staff. Their basic obligation lies in getting out the best Annual in the history of Southwestern; with your help, I don't feel that they will fail.

The entire school is wondering how the rushing and pledging of last week got so fouled up. A great deal of criticism has been leveled at the Pan-Hellenic Board, criticism which I feel is not well founded. The delay and consequent mix-up was caused by lack of proper liaison between the Pan-Hellenic and the school administration. It was understood by many that the Committee on Student Welfare was responsible and represented the school administration in passing or rejecting any Fraternity or Sorority rulings. I hope that the school administration will take the necessary steps to avoid any repetition of this confusion which I feel was just as detrimental to the school as to the Fraternities.

Freshman elections which have been going on for the past week or so have been keenly disappointing in so far as the number of students casting a ballot has been entirely too small. The way with which the elections have been conducted other than this should be highly commended. It is hoped the Freshmen students will learn to recognize their public responsibility while at Southwestern a little more than they now do. The candidates must really feel good at the interest a handful of students show in their election.

QUESTION Of The Week

What do you think of the new long skirts?

Mary Bryan: "They're O.K. if you walk gracefully. It depends on the legs, too."

Dr. Wasserman: "I forbid mine wife to buy some! But ven I forbid her to do somting, it doss no goot."

It iss ven I am forbid by her that ze difference iss."

Carmen Roper: "I think they give a girl that "willowy" look."

John Thomas: "It is my careful opinion that in the present economic crisis of a world torn by the storm and strife of opposing political ideologies, they constitute a serious menace to the safety and well being of the posterity which must follow after us. They don't show enough, either."

Ira Carter: "Shades of 1929! I wonder when the Mid-Victorian bustle will be coming back in. Or out."

LYNX CHAT

This Kitty sho has been busy this time . . . we never have seen or heard of so much goings-on as these Sou'western chicks 'n clucks have been doin' as of late . . . and . . . beware . . . it may be Kitty that you are spillin' out your secrets of silent love to.

Kitty feels sorry for fresh-man Leroy Stratton . . . He can never do anything right.

Did all you good people notice the shiner that Beefy Dunnivant was sporting? Rumor has it that it was received while the owner was looking through a keyhole . . .

Calvin Hall is in more of an uproar than usual . . . Besides the violin a new sound has made itself evident . . . A Jolson fan, no less.

It's funny how old loves rear their bedraggled heads on the campus. One day last week, during football practice, an old flame of "Floater" Bland's was sitting in a car, talking to one of Kitty's informers, when the young thing suddenly got a rapturous look in her eyes and said, "Listen, there's George's and my song on the radio." If the Floater only knew . . .

Tutt is in a dither over statuesque Pat Williams . . . Poor boy, he's already turned loose a couple of the famed Tutt collection of diamonds. Kitty saw Pat with Bennie Lee's golden death's head (with diamond eyes) on a chain around her neck.

S & W by the Z has come out of the wartime haze far enough to produce one of the greatest minds of our century . . . Broderick . . . This eminent solon was heard to remark recently that people who live in glass houses shouldn't.

Now that red-headed Joan Williams has transferred to Chevy Chase, Dean Bailey has fallen back on the old flame of all old flames . . . debutante Louise Bozeman.

Comment on transfer Dot Fenton . . . PANT, PANT . . . speaking of pants, when is the football team going to show off those new ones? They were so hard up that even Dream Boy Amis had a large adhesive tape patch right where the greatest part of his weight is distributed.

GOOOOD . . . Morning!!
Woman of the Week . . . Freshette Pat McBride . . . Reason??? She has put up with Editor Hatchett for a whole week . . . Bro..ther!!

Milton Newton has been instructing girls in the fine art of football throwing. Ah, Coach Newton!!!

Why, oh why do the cheer leaders have to practice right where the football team practices? The poor boys can't keep their minds on their work.

Cliff Green, you'd better pay more attention to Nanny Cartwright, that's an order . . .

One of these days we're going to see "Hump" Simmons when he isn't racing his motor over Virginia Wunderlich. Be careful, Simmons someone is trying to cut your ignition . . .

Prof. Tuthill is much disturbed these days, he can't understand why so many people are trying to sign up for the choir. Kitty guesses that people have heard that the singers are going to New Orleans on their trip this semester . . .

Add to the mad collection in Cal-

vin Hall one slightly frantic sax player.

In answer to a letter (unsigned) that we received from a group of girls from Voorhies Hall . . . We are sorry, but we have no way of finding out whether Tom Miller wears pads in the shoulders of his shirts.

Comment on the pep meeting held in Hardie Auditorium last Friday . . . one dazed freshman to ditto, "It sounded just like they were having responsive readings."

Jitterbug of the year, Jere Nash. Kitty still feels a little bit stiff after sittin' so long at the football game Saturday . . . but she's sho proud of that fightin' bunch of boys called the Lynx. When Johnny Bryant had to come out of play and we didn't know if he were really hurt . . . some sweetie just in front of Kitty nearly had fits over him and we thought surely she'd have to go down and see for herself that he was still breathing . . . we'd tell you who it was . . . but . . . we don't know . . .

Mr. Fry with his Ginger looked mighty happy . . . Gene Page without his Chris looked unhappy . . . Kitty doesn't know anything about football so that's how she can tell you about the kids there . . . saw Denby Brandon 'scortin' Betty Jo Brantley . . . the Editor himself with a very lovely lady . . . Dean Bailey 'n Louise Bozeman . . . Betty Bouton looking lovelier than ever cheering for her Alma Mater while holding ever so tight to her fiance Harlan Smith . . .

Saturday night's Fraternity Open Houses brought out the dressy blacks and the pastels with sequins and feathers to doll up the cuties for the annual look-see. Saturday night also brought out some shiny new Frat pledge pins . . . congratulations from Kitty . . . As Kitty and her date went stumbling (and we mean that literally on the dark Frat Row) from one House to the other . . . she shaw Mildred Wilkerson and Barron greeting everyone cordially into the SAE House . . . Dean Bailey and Louise at the KA Lodge . . . Sam and Mrs. Fudge at SN . . . McIntosh at KS . . . Gerry Sweatt and Don and Mrs. Walton at PiKA . . . Mr. Hopkins and Mr. Cobb at ATO . . . Kitty was so stuffed by the time she got to the end that she had to refuse an invitation to Fortune's . . . and that was drastic . . . but those Fraternity boys really showed the know-how of an Open House . . . speaking of Open Houses, that AOPi deal last week was super and Kitty is lookin' forward to another this week . . . who's givin' one?? (EDITOR'S NOTE—read the social calendar!)

Kitty must leave now with a word of advice to all Freshettes . . . Transfers too . . . If "Big Boy" Bailey comes up and pats you on the back . . . don't let your heart jump out and get away from you . . . you'll need it . . . 'cause "Blushing Boy" Amis will come up and shake your hand 'n that's even more thrilling . . . these two wonders of the S&W by the Z are the agents who can get you anything and mpeke you president of Tri-Delt if you want . . . they say.

Society Among The Sororities



Betty Shea
President of AOPi

A. O. PI OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday afternoon, October 8, the A O Pi's entertained with an open house for the entire student body and faculty honoring Hilma Seay, 1947 Maid of Cotton.

The Maid wore a checked suit from her cotton wardrobe and a corsage of gardenias and red roses. In the receiving line with Hilma were Mrs. I. J. Seay, Betty Shea, president, Mrs. Garner Strickland Jr., vice-president of the alumnae and Mickey Dougherty, Social Secretary.

Tables for bridge and ping pong were in the yard and a place for dancing inside. The refreshment table was covered with a lace cloth and centered with a fall flower arrangement. Sandwiches, cookies, and cokes were served.

Estelle Newsum and Mickey Dougherty were in charge of the arrangements.

ZETA EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

At the Zeta Tau Alpha meeting of October 10, the members heard the first of a series of four educational programs. Mrs. T. J. Wilson, of Dyersburg, reviewed the much discussed "Inside U. S. A." by John Gunther.

The meeting was held in the Sigma Nu house and was followed by a dinner in honor of the speaker.

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ZETA FOUNDER'S DAY

Memphis alumnae and members of Beta Sigma chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority will gather October 15, for their annual Founder's Day banquet in the Bamboo Room of the Claridge.

George Ann Beaumont, alumnae president, Anna Louise Rother, chapter president, Barbara Burnett, Nancy Robinson, Jean Ellingson, Betty Jo Brantley, Helen Deberry, Virginia Jones, and Mary Ann Minderman will take part in a special service honoring Zeta's nine founders.

The evening will be concluded with a musical program and group singing. Arrangements were made by Margaret Boisen, Kathryn Daunhauer, and Nancy Robinson.

INDEPENDENT WOMEN ELECTION

In a recent election the following were chosen as officers of the Independent Women's organization for this year:

Pres.: Louise Osborn.
Vice-Pres. and Social Chairman: Dorothea Bond.
Sec.-Treas.: Eugenia Noe.
S.A.B.A. Representative: Gale Martin.
Election Commission Representative: Joan Cogswell.

K D OPEN HOUSE

On Wednesday, October 22, Kappa Delta Sorority will entertain the whole student body at an Open House. The doors will be open from 4:30 till 7, and the guests may enjoy refreshments, dancing, and bridge. All are cordially invited to attend.

CHI OMEGA

Kappa Beta chapter of Chi Omega initiated Mary Howard, Thursday, Oct. 9.

KAPPA DELTA

The Kappa Deltas entertained October 13 with a "Friendship Supper" given in honor of the presidents of the school's sorority groups. Each member brought another sorority girl as her guest for the evening. Pink roses were used on the table. After supper, games and singing were enjoyed by the group. The presidents were asked by the following: Hazel Brown by Sissy DeMere, Lucille Hamer by Carolyn Reynolds, Glenn Morris by Virginia Catchings, Anna Louise Rother by Jane Phelps, and Betty Shea by Sara Maxwell.

CHI OMEGA

Kappa Beta chapter of Chi Omega held its fall Eleusinian Banquet on Monday, October 6, at the Lodge. After dinner was served to all the pledges, alumnae and active members, Lucille Hamer introduced the new pledges and members.

The alumnae officers for the year were introduced by Mrs. Eugene Early, Jr., President of the Alumnae chapter. Mrs. Brandon Lemmon took charge of the program for the evening which was a resume of the History of Kappa Beta chapter on the Southwestern campus. She was assisted by several past members of the chapter and one active member, Minnie Lee Gillespie. The celebration ended with the singing of sorority songs.

K. A. SUPPER

The K. A.'s and their dates met in the lodge Thursday, Oct. 2, for supper and dancing. A plate supper was served to the guests, who also enjoyed bridge, ping pong, pool, and singing fraternity songs.

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SPOTLIGHT On Sports

By DON WALTON

Football games are certainly unpredictable affairs. With the Stetson starting lineup averaging over two hundred pounds per man and with the team employing the Tennessee version of the single-wing formation, we went out to Crump Stadium last Saturday afternoon expecting to see the Hatters attempt some power football (with emphasis on the power). Soon after the contest got under way, however, they made our eyes start bulging by tossing passes (both forward and laterals) in a razzle-dazzle fashion that we had not in the least anticipated. To top-off our amazement, their big ball-carriers were both fast and alert.

The first half of the game was interesting football, and except for a tough break in the form of an intercepted pass the Lynx may have held Stetson scoreless. During this period the boys from Florida threatened only twice. They made their first attempt good for six points, but their second one which began when they pounded on Southwestern's second fumble early in the second quarter was halted by a Lynx interception on the seven-yard line. The Lynx were rather offensive minded themselves in this first half as they rolled up four first downs.

Then when the second half opened with Stetson fumbling the kickoff return, we were ready to settle down and see the Lynx capitalize on the break and tighten up the ball game. Penalties have a way of intruding at the most inopportune moments though, and the Cats last offensive hopes faded soon afterwards. It's too bad, too, because until that happened, Southwestern was very much in the ball game.

The really great surprise came in the last twenty minutes of the game. The Lynx, who undoubtedly were beginning to feel the difference in weight, would let the Hatters push them backwards so far and no farther. Four times in the waning minutes they held and forced Stetson to yield the ball on downs, once on the twenty, once on the twenty-one, once on the two, and once on the one-foot line. Such play as this deserves credit even though the Hatters scored on a 40-yard punt return and a 2-yard pass in the meantime. It's pretty hard to stop the other guy when he's in a scoring mood and has the stuff with which to do it.

SN AND SAE BEAR WATCHING

The Intramural touchfootball race is still a wide-open contest and lacks the presence of a victory-sure powerhouse such as Sigma Nu fielded last fall. George Bugbee, Marshall Scott and Company have a fine team and right now bear the brand of favorites, but they are by no means assured of getting by SAE and Kappa Sigma without a defeat. They had quite a struggle with the Independents and IKA but seemed to have just enough when they needed it most to win.

SAE, the only other undefeated team, ran roughshod over the Freshmen but ran into a great deal of trouble with Kappa Sig. The latter team gained a much greater number of yards during the four quarters of the regulation game and threatened to score several times. When the chips were down, however, the determined SAE band came through and won the first overtime encounter of the season.

KA, Independents, Kappa Sig, and IKA all find themselves in an odd position. Each has scored more points than have been scored against it, but each has a defeat to mar its record. All four of these teams must still be counted in the running for the championship, however, and any one of them is capable of knocking off the leaders.

In games thus far several players have been stand-outs. To mention a few we select: Jud Williford and Paul Curry, KS; Marshall Scott and George Bugbee, SN; Wharton Hawkins, IKA; and Speros Vyronis, Ind.

SAE GOLF FAVORITES

Intramural golf is getting under way and at this stage of the game it appears that SAE might garner the medals. Barron Seiferd, Earl Hays, Craft Dewey, and Frank "Happy" White are all potential seventy shooters and an aggregate of 640 strokes (or an average of 80 per eighteen holes) should be enough to cop the honors. Kappa Sigma has the Williford brothers and several other fair strokers as does IKA, but it is doubtful if either of the two will be able to match SAE.

The Freshman with Jim Goosetree, Howard Lamons, and several others may be the "darkhorse" winner, but the "several others" are of unknown quality and cause us to place them in a strictly "possible but not probable" category.

KA will definitely miss the one-two punch of Dean Baily and Cliff Green who led them to victory last fall. These two along with Dick Simmons, SAE, and John Murdock, KS, are ineligible for the intramural event because of their varsity participation last spring.



Glenn Swingle, the Lynx's dependable passer and signal-caller, is expected to keep the Centre College Colonels guessing in this Saturday night's game.

SN, SAE Lead Intramurals

KS vs SAE and PiKA vs SN
Games Closely Contested

The intramural touch football season is scarcely two weeks old, and already there are only two teams left who have yet to taste defeat. Sigma Nu, one of the two undefeated teams, downed the Independents 7-0 on the opening day and on the following Tuesday eked out a 14-12 verdict over Pi Kappa Alpha. Sigma Alpha Epsilon ran up the largest score of the young campaign in trouncing the Freshmen 19-6 in their opener, but they were forced into an overtime contest to barely win from Kappa Sigma 1-0. Alpha Tau Omega and the Freshmen have dropped both of their games thus far, and the remaining four teams have each won one and lost one.

The teams opened sluggishly but gave promise of the good games to come. On Tuesday, October 7th, Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Alpha, each having been victorious in openers, played what will probably be one of the most thrilling games of the season. SN led 6-0 at the half, but with only three minutes left in the game, the score was deadlocked at 12-12. Pi KA then stopped a SN drive on the one-foot line and took over the ball. On the first offensive play, however, Gene Daws tagged the Pi KA runner in the end zone for a safety and the deciding margin of two points.

The other thriller of last week found Kappa Sigma and Sigma Alpha Epsilon tied 0-0 after four quarters of play. Twice during the fray KS had advanced the ball inside of the SAE five-yard line, but the SAE's held. In the overtime play SAE gained 22 1/2 yards in their five tries with the ball. Robards of the SAE team stopped the KS advance during their five tries by intercepting a second-down pass to end the game. For an overtime victory the winner gets one point, so the final score read SAE-1, KS-0.

This week SAE runs up against a strong Independent team and may fall from the undefeated ranks. Sigma Nu meets twice beaten ATO, however, and will probably continue their victory march.

THE STANDING

Team	Won	Lost
SAE	2	0
SN	2	0
KS	1	1
Pi KA	1	1
KA	1	1
IND.	1	1
ATO	0	2
FROSH	0	2

RESULTS

SN-7, IND-0 SN-14, PiKA-12
PiKA-6, KA-0 IND-12, ATO-0
KS-13, ATO-0 KA-12, Frosh-0
SAE-19, Frosh-6 SAE-1, KS-0

Games This Week

Tuesday, Oct. 14
SN vs. ATO and PiKA vs. FROSH
Thursday, Oct. 16
IND vs. SAE and KA vs. KS

Amis Chosen Dream Boy

Torch, the Senior Women's Honor Society, held the first backward dance of the season Wednesday evening, October 8th, in the Voorhies Hall recreation rooms.

Highlight of the event was the naming of Bob Amis, president of the student body, as "Dream Boy of Torch," traditional annual distinction given by the organization. Winner of the special dance with the new Dream Boy was Joan Fite.



Ray Ashley has exhibited superb play at guard and tackle in the first two Southwestern games. So ferocious have been his charges that he now has gained a starting berth.

S'western Starts Intramural Golf

Intramural golf has joined the intramural sports at Southwestern as the organizations meet in a 36-hole medal tournament at an undisclosed golf course. This is the first of seven minor athletic activities to take place during the 1947-48 school year. Each fraternity (with the probable exception of ATO) and the Freshmen have entered four-men teams which will tour an eighteen-hole golf course twice. The team totaling the least number of strokes for the combined 144 holes will be declared the winner.

A preview of these teams should naturally begin with the champion KA's who will be out to defend their title of last year. They are sporting a well-rounded team com-

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Stetson Routs Lynx Cats 27-0

Southwestern Squad Taken
By Barrage of Forward Passes

Powerful Stetson University found the Southwestern line stubborn last Saturday afternoon, so the Floridians proceeded to go over and around it to pile up a 27-0 victory over the Lynx. Expecting the visitors to concentrate mainly on power plays from their single-wing formation, the local squad was surprised by wide end sweeps with laterals attached and a barrage of forward passes which scored one touchdown and set up another.

The Hatters struck pay-dirt when the game was only five minutes old. On the Lynx's first offensive thrust, Glen Swingle's aerial was intercepted on the Southwestern 39-yard line. Eight running plays and a pass placed the ball on the 7-yard stripe and set the stage for Jim Olson's gallop around left end for the score. Byron Brasington's try from placement was wide.

The Lynx rebounded in business-like fashion, and, with the three B's (Bland, Bryant and Blair) doing most of the carrying, drove to the Hatter's 22. A fumble nullified the effort, however, and the remainder of the first half was played in Southwestern territory.

An "unnecessary roughness" penalty halted the only other Lynx opportunity to score. The second half opened with Southwestern kicking off, and Jim Olson fumbling the return on his own 41. The Lynx Cats recovered and George Bland ripped off a nice gain to the Hatter's 35, but the 15-yard penalty placed the ball back to the mid-field marker and Stetson took the ball over on downs.

The Hatters then made a first down on the Lynx 40. With the scoreboard reading third down and

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SPALDING SETS THE PAGE IN SPORTS

The Missing Lynx

I am now rounding out four and a half years at Southwestern. This isn't a record, as others have been slower and more stupid than I, chasing this gleaming maiden around these Gothic temples, through the bridge-score littered drugstore, through the biological laboratories and the philosophical classrooms. I plan to graduate with a bad case of Alumni virus, convinced that the sun rises only to bask on these ivied walls and that it sinks in crimson shame until it creeps once more through the darkness to shine upon my Alma Mater. For years I have been a blind worshiper at her shrine. I still pay tribute, genuflect, have a choking feeling of gratitude for what she has done for me, a crude youth. What I might have done without her, I don't know.

Few are getting Alma Materitus as bad as I had it. And it's a good thing to have, like the measles, and get over. That is, it's a good thing to have faith in something, even if you later learn it isn't true. It took Lincoln Steffens, who attended five universities, the rest of his life to unlearn what he had learned.

During the war I spent most of my four years service getting an education going around the world, and in the process I was butted out of a coma and smacked into an awakening to the possibilities of life. War education taught me, among other things, that Marseille's cognac tasted like burnt rubber, that to keep from being slugged in Algiers you had to be well fortified with arrack and fool-luck, that the Suez Canal officials are not amused when you take a ten foot strip off the canal wall with a Liberty Ship, that a Calcutta Hindu would rather argue 'Salaam Sahib, backsheesh' with you than have a plate full of rupees and annas for his wares, that Ceylonese hasheesh makes you feel like a giant, that Burmese banana brandy is worse than heat and cholera, that a sirloin of hippopotamus steak and a quart of good quinine beer in Lorencos Marques costs only seventy cents, that Rio de Janeiro is a magic paradise of scenery, buildings, and women. But it taught more: it also taught me the thoughtways and folkways of different peoples, demonstrated the comparative view of their aspirations and their problems. This brought less respect for beliefs, but more understanding and sympathy for those who held them.

It is satisfying to find a few men at Southwestern who, amid all the educational piffle and flapdoodle that passes for profundity, can still give us that realistic touch. At there are not many in a safe enough position to speak boldly. Most educators are dependent of their salaries and on the good will of cautious board members or trustees. So their writing and speaking must keep to safe topics. The past is dead. It is safe to glorify it. But there stand out a few who are willing to jar those capable of thought so that the kaleidoscopic picture they have held so long in mind may shift to some new vision. It doesn't take much to stimulate thought. And a little bold speaking stimulates more.

Education in the past century has been trusted by the majority of people as few other remedies for human stupidity have ever been trusted, and the outcome has been a let-down that has kicked civilization to its soggy roots and all but jarred the homo sapiens' back teeth loose from its massive and thick skull.

That has been the way with other peoples who followed the traditional in education. If you happened to be born a flat-head Indian, your mother bound your skull so that your brow took a forty degree angle. If you had been born a Chinese girl of good family fifty years ago, your feet would have been bound. We Christians bind the brain to other patterns with school boards. Born in Memphis and the Delta, you are equipped with a set of prejudices, beliefs, and attitudes to fit the set you are born in.

No belief has been too absurd in the past to prevent its influencing human behavior. We still stumble through the pea-soup fog of some of them. For hundreds of years one-tenth of the human race could not see their sacred writings, the Korean, in print. Only recently has it been set down in modern type, for it was blasphemy to touch the word 'Allah' with pig bristles.

The old Calvinistic idea of infant damnation led to the further belief that by beating hell out of children, you could save them for heaven. That became the chief duty of the parent and the pedagogue. Bernard Shaw wrote one of his most brilliant essays on "How to Beat Children." Samuel Butler, in his "The Way of All Flesh," wrote:

"If their wills were well broken in childhood, they would acquire habits of obedience which they would not venture to break through till they were over twenty-one years old. To parents who wish to lead a quiet life I would say: 'Tell your children that they are very naughty—much naughtier than most children. This is called moral influence, and it will enable you to bounce them as much as you please.'"

Scholarship, as nearly as I can find out, is merely knowing what others have written or printed on a subject. It involves knowing, memorizing. It is characteristic of an acquisitive culture. A scholar has accumulated a collection of facts, traditions, myths in his particular field. Perhaps he has sorted them out, bundled them, labeled them. Perhaps he has commented on them and formed some theories. His research has been among the old, and among the things that someone else already knew. Scholarship leads to the conclusion that there is nothing new under the sun for the human race.

To the college student, scholarship means marks. And marks mean finding favor with instructors. Can't you recall cases where one independent soul of original mind got a B minus, and some inferior little pee-wee, who made friends with the susceptible instructor who had an inferiority complex, got a B plus? One preserved his integrity, the other got a scholarship and made Phi Beta Kappa. "Hail Blithe Spirit, ape thou never wert!"

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STETSON GAME...

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eight to go, Ewing pitched a twenty-yard pass to Brasington who was downed on the one-yard line. Two plays later Hugh Carlton plunged over the middle of the line for the second touchdown and Brasington's placement was good.

Except for two fine goal-line stands by the Lynx, the rest of the game was all Stetson's. In the first few minutes of the final period the Hatters drove to the Southwestern 4-yard line where it was first down and goal to go, but they were forced to relinquish the ball on the one-foot line. The Lynx then punted out to the 40, but Tom Deen grabbed Swingle's spiral and raced down the right sideline, untouched, for the touchdown. Again Brasington split the uprights from placement, and the score had mounted to 20-0.

Shortly afterwards Stetson recovered a Lynx fumble on the latter's 41 and drove to the two yard stripe but were again repulsed by the defeated but stubborn Lynx. Southwestern was forced to punt out but found themselves still in trouble, for the Hatters were knocking again from the twenty-five. With only two seconds left in the game, George Everett took Jack McCollum's pass on the 5 and crossed the goal line after the final horn had blown. Brasington again kicked good for the 27th point.

Though outweighed by fifteen or more pounds per man, the Lynx line played fine ball against their hefty opponents. Lloyd Graves, Ray Ashley, and Dickie Dickerson were consistent tacklers all afternoon.

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STATISTICS

	Stetson	Lynx
First Downs	18	4
Gross yds. gained from scrimmage	351	107
Yds. lost from scrimmage	44	28
Net yards gained from scrimmage	307	79
Yds. gained by forward passes	95	20
Yds. gained by rushing	212	59
Forward passes attempted	21	14
Forward passes completed	9	2
Forward passes intercepted by	1	1
Yds. lost by penalties	20	30

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The Women's Athletic Association began their 1947-48 intramural program last Thursday evening with an Archery Tournament. Chi Omega's team composed of Ann Baggett, Vinton Cole, Berta Radford, and Sally Howard scored 243 points for the championship, Kappa Delta was second with 232 points, and Gamma Delta was third with 194 points. Ann Baggett scored 74 points to win the individual trophy, Ann Dewar was second with 68 points, Betty Kilgore was third with 67, and Dotty Stendorff finished fourth with 66 points. Miss Graham and Miss Grossnickel officiated and Lib Dudley, Shirley Sibley, and Harriet Causey were scorekeepers.

The girl's basketball tournament begins next week and all eight of the organizations are busy practicing for the event. Each team is planning to wear uniforms of its organization's colors.

The Women's Athletic Association is composed of representatives from the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes and from the six sororities and the independents. It was organized for the purpose of promoting girls' athletics on the campus. The officers are: Lib Dudley, president; Gale Martin, Vice President; Wendell Phillips, Secretary; and Berta Radford, Reporter. A swimming meet and softball, tennis, badminton, and ping-pong tournaments have been planned and the dates for these events will be announced later. Scoring for the tournaments will be: 25 points for first place, 15 points for second place, and 10 points for third place. The team having the greatest total of points at the end of the school year will be presented with a trophy.

INTRAMURAL GOLF...

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posed of Bill Coley, Conrad Carrol, Fred Strain, and Bill Craig. The SAE's will send Happy White, Craft Dewey, Earl Hays, and Barron Seiferd to the fairways for the honors. Kappa Sigma representatives should include such able men as John and Jud Williford, Benny Tutt, and Henry Beaty. A PiKA foursome of Don and Bill Walton, Jack Simonton, and Wharton Hawkins will tee off for a crack at the championship. Harrison Adams, Bob Norman, John Evans, and Frank Hemmen will compete for Sigma Nu. The large freshmen class will choose Jimmy Goosetree, Howard Lamons, and two undetermined players to represent them.

Ruled ineligible for competition in this tournament are the lettermen who participated on the varsity team last spring. Those worthy men bearing letters and eliminated from play are Dean Bailey, KA; Clifford Green, KA; Dick Simmons, SAE; John Murdock, KS; Winston Cheairs, SAE; and Henry Spurrier.

No. of punts	1	5
Yd. average of punts	26	35
Fumbles	1	5
Lost ball on fumbles	1	4
Yd. average on kick offs	47	43
Yds. all kick returns	106	80

RENAISSANCE...

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breathes the jasmine-scented air of a century or of the inferiority of the 1870's. A few artists have contributed positive pictures of their immediate area; one intellectual group started a movement some years ago to revolutionize literary work in the colleges, but it succumbed to the field of criticism and has died in the pages of the Sewanee Review et al. Now, in the shadow of the death struggle between irreconcilable world ideologies we feel the need for getting underway. In this last American frontier-territory uninvaded by intellectual confusion and popular erudite criticism we can play the roles of children fascinated by the sunlight glinting on motes of dust at a window. There are many songs left to sing, a social system which must be interpreted less sensationally, with more careful insight and understanding than it has ever been shown before. Men like Hodding Carter have proved the individuality of the southerner in this matter; it is for us to go further. The challenge is in our teeth. Beneath the rank herbage of the southern bottomlands the soil is rich. Now is a time to be alive and aware; the earth spin 'round—neither our minds nor our telescopes can see whether the gods laugh or weep. The heart knows life runs out; our little moment, our own lives tremble with the tenor of our days and nights. Somehow those of us who can must leap to our work while we may. Our frail lutes are pregnant with song.

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Richard Wood

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We Can Lift Our Iron Curtain

"I don't see how anyone can be a Christian and not face the issues of life." This statement, made by Dr. W. J. Millard at the Christian Union Forum, Friday, October 3, answers the question discussed at that meeting—"Can We Lift Our Iron Curtain?"

Dr. Millard, introduced to the group of sixty interested students by William Jones, Jr., began his talk by admitting that there does exist an iron curtain which separates the student and the important issues of life. In this, as in the following statement, Dr. Millard quoted John H. Marion, Chairman of the Social and Moral Welfare department of the Presbyterian Church and author of an article concerning the iron curtain in the *Presbyterian Outlook*. Students, he says, are fearful of straight thinking. This fear finds voice in declaring many things taboo in discussions and in accepting traditions and conventions that need to be laid aside.

Acceptance of these misconceptions does not necessarily mean that the student is ignorant because he wants to be. Dr. Millard gave several reasons for it. In many schools, and it was brought out how lucky we were at Southwestern, there is no freedom of speech for professors. Educators who become inspired to introduce new theories to their pupils suddenly find themselves cast aside for a less "radical" man. Many schools are church controlled, and this naturally leads to a great deal of classroom control. In many cases history is taught with an eye on the past, completely ignoring the fact that the present generation is making history as it has never been made before. Application to modern problems, the value of history as a science, is rejected, as there is not enough time for it. Other subjects are studies of definitions, theories, principles and book-remedies.

The root of our conventionalism, however, does not come from the schools. Our home life doubtlessly has caused us to think as we do on most issues of the day. Environment and heredity, regionalism, nationalism, prejudice against class and race have made us a group of self-satisfied snobs. The Negro problem in the South, the conflict between labor and capital, the question of democracy or communism—all are surrounded by the curtain. The possibilities for enlightenment are unlimited.

Dr. Millard gave a remedy for the error-burdened condition of our world outlook by suggesting that all problems be considered in the light of Christ. This light, clear and unflinching, should be used in determining our opinions on all issues—whether big or small.

The points agreed on in the open discussion that followed Dr. Millard's address were these: It is up to the individual, and not the campus as a whole, to raise the iron curtain. The individual can best do this by admitting frankly to himself that he might have some false impressions and prejudices. The individual should take the time to be familiar with world affairs. His primary objective is to achieve an over-all view, obtain the needed knowledge, and apply it to present day circumstances. However, by far the most important thing that came out of the forum was this:—an iron curtain will not exist where students use Christian ideals in looking at the world and its problems.



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