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## AS WE SEE IT

—BY—  
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Do you know what we saw the other day? A darling little freshman looking all alone and lonely; so naturally we, in an upper classmanish way, went over to see what was the matter. Well—it developed that she was homesick (which one can easily understand) but one of her reasons was that she knew hardly anyone on the campus. You can imagine how funny that sounded! At some other school it might be quite normal, but not at Jacksonville—the school that has the “rep” of being so friendly. We did our best to console her, and then had to leave for a class.

If you see a lonely “rat” sitting around like that cute one was, just think back to your freshman days and see if you didn’t feel just the way that lowly one looks. Then go over and say “hey.” Honestly—the look that lightens one of those faces is worth all of those few extra steps.

Last year “As We See It” held regular sessions of preaching to the boys and girls to learn to dance and to enter into all the social activities. Results were very few and very far between. We see that the freshmen this year are entering right in to everything and are getting into full campus swing without being prodded. More power to them—and keep it up, frosh!

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## AERIAL GUNNER



“HOBBY” WEST

**HARLINGEN ARMY GUNNERY SCHOOL, Texas** — A graduate this week of the Harlingen Army Gunnery School who qualified as an expert aerial gunner and now wears the silver Gunner’s Wings is Henry H. West, Hodges, Ala., former student at Jacksonville State Teachers College (’40-’42).

He was promoted to sergeant and received his diploma at brief graduation exercises held here and, unless held over to serve as an instructor, will depart immediately to join a combat unit.

To graduate from the Harlingen school, he spent five of the toughest weeks of his Army career training for one of the toughest and most important jobs of World War

Uncle Sam’s Flying Fortresses and fighting off enemy aircraft while the other members of the Army Air Forces’ famous “Four Flying Horsemen” team—gunner, navigator, bombardier and pilot—successfully carry out the bombing attack.

The intensive training course included thorough classroom discussion on aircraft identification, machine gun nomenclature, use of sights and sight harmonization, illustrations of “How Not to Shoot,” as well as actual practice at shooting everything from BB guns to .50 caliber Brownings.

Henry H. West may not be recognized as our “Hobby” who starred on the basketball team last year.

# JSTC To Inaugurate Student Government

## “Town Meeting For War” Oct. 13, Rec. Center

One of the most outstanding projects to be undertaken in Jacksonville recently is the “Town Meeting for War” which is being sponsored jointly by the college and the citizens of Jacksonville. The first of the series is scheduled for Monday evening, October 13, in the Community Recreation Center.

Last week, President Cole, members of the history department, and representatives from all the local civic clubs met for a discussion of such an undertaking. They agreed that such a program would serve several purposes and would probably do much toward familiarizing the college students and the community as a whole on war aims and post-war conditions. It was decided to invite a number of prominent men to speak at two-week intervals. Immediately after the addresses, the meeting would be opened for questions and answers, or round-table discussion.

The men invited to appear during the series include: Frank Samford, president of the Liberty Life Insurance Company, and president of the Alabama Associated Industries; Oscar Strauss, regional director of the Office of Price Administration; Hayse Tucker, head of the state Civilian Defense Council; John Temple Graves, columnist for the Birmingham Age-Herald; Congressman Sam Hobbs, representative from this district, and possibly several others.

The public is invited to hear these addresses and there will be

## PROMINENT VISITOR



Dr. Austin R. Meadows

## JSTC Alumnus Visits College

Dr. Austin R. Meadows, a representative of the State Department of Education, was an interesting visitor on the campus Tuesday night and Wednesday. He is an alumnus of this school and has distinguished himself in the field of public education.

A representative of The Teacola visited him in President Cole’s office for an interview. He found him to be a tall, dark-haired man with deep-set blue eyes. He talked freely about his work and his activities since 1922 when he left Jacksonville after completing two

## TO THE SUMMER STUDENTS OF 1942:

I wish to express to you the deep gratitude of our entire family for the ungrudging love and loyalty displayed at the time of the illness and passing of my husband. In every way you left nothing not thought of or not done. The wreath sent by the student body to the funeral was indeed magnificent. All of your attentions we shall truly never forget.

Sincerely,  
MRS. C. W. DAUGETTE

## FALL PROGRAM OF DEFENSE CLASSES TO BEGIN OCTOBER 5

The Fall program of Engineering, Science Management War Training sponsored jointly by the Alabama Polytechnic Institute and the Jacksonville State Teachers College will begin October 5. Registration will begin September 21. Dr. C. E. Cayley is coordinator for the Jacksonville, Piedmont and Anniston classes.

A minimum of ten members to the class is required before it can be organized and begin instruction. If there is a sufficient number to justify them, classes will be organized in Jacksonville, Piedmont and Anniston.

Under this program courses are offered in engineering, management, science and chemical engineering.

Dr. Cayley stated that persons taking these courses have been in great demand in war industry

## President Cole Authorizes Plan

### Political Campaigns To Decide Officers

President Cole started the ball to rolling Monday, so to speak, when he announced that student government would be inaugurated on the Jacksonville campus. Practically all of the students have begun to discuss the plan both pro and con.

The idea of the whole plan is related to the political set-up of the state of Alabama. An outstanding leader from the Sophomore, Junior, and Senior classes will be chosen, by the members of those classes, as a candidate for the president of the student government. These three students will each have a campaign manager to publicize his candidate.

Prior to the election one assembly program will be given to the campaign managers for the purpose of speaking for their proposed candidate. Another assembly program will be devoted to the candidates in order that they may speak for themselves.

Following the campaign speeches an election will be held to decide the winner, who will become the president of the student body. Voting will be done by the casting of ballots, just as the voting is done in a state or national election.

After the student officials have been elected they will take charge of assembly programs. Instead of the faculty presenting students to our student body, the students will be presenting the faculty to the students. Other duties of the student officials will be to handle



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Student government here at JSTC, as we see it, is for the purpose of bringing the students closer to the administration officials of the school, and also to set up advantageous goals for which we must strive. We students must aid ourselves, our school, and our country to the utmost of our ability.

Students we must give our fullest cooperation to those who are elected to direct us. Without our support the advantages of student government will be lost.

We think it wise for the students to do quite a bit of thinking before a president of the student body is elected. This person must possess a friendly personality, qualities of leadership, speaking ability, initiative, and the ability to do things. Above all, we think the president-elect must be popular with all the student body. After all if he is to lead the students, he must not have dissension among the group. The student body should be observing those about them in order that they may pick the best one for this position.

## TED YORK AT FORT McPHERSON

The friends of Ted York, '41, will be interested to learn that he is stationed at Fort McPherson, Ga., reception center. He was recently inducted in the army at Fort McClellan and sent there.

Ted made application for officers' candidate school and was accepted and expects to begin his training soon at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. At the present he is being used as a guide at the camp.

Mrs. York, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fryar visited him there Sunday.

## PARENT-TEACHERS TO HAVE MEETING

The High School Parent-Teacher Association, of which Mrs. A. C. Shelton is president, is meeting Thursday evening in the auditorium.

This meeting is being given especially to receive the parents of high school students and members of the faculty.

President Houston Cole will be the guest speaker.

He was promoted to sergeant and received his diploma at brief graduation exercises held here and, unless held over to serve as an instructor, will depart immediately to join a combat unit.

To graduate from the Harlingen school, he spent five of the toughest weeks of his Army career training for one of the toughest and most important jobs of World War II—lying for hours in the "bathtubs," "stingers," and turrents of

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Henry H. West may not be recognized as our "Hobby" who starred on the basketball team last year. He left school during the year to enlist in the armed forces.

## Observance Of Religious Emphasis Week To Begin Monday, Sept. 28

### NEW JAX PRESIDENT ADDRESSES CIVITANS

#### Cole Discusses World Affairs At Club

"We must remember that the price for victory will be a tremendous one, but, as one of our great statesmen said, 'it is better to die on our feet than to live the rest of our lives on our knees'," Houston Cole, new president of Jacksonville State Teachers College, told Civitan members yesterday at the regular luncheon meeting of that club at the Alabama Hotel in Anniston.

These words of Cole's came at the conclusion of a speech in which the former OPA director discussed three vital conclusions which he had drawn about the war. First Cole maintained that this war could not have been avoided. In making this point the college president reviewed the events of the past and showed the deliberate cunning with which Japan and Germany had plotted for war. "No, we could not have avoided this war and at the same time maintained our respect and decency as a country," Cole affirmed after explaining his personal hatred for war.

The second conclusion drawn by the speaker was that Japan and Germany are determined to reduce us to a third rate power and dictate our economic policy from Berlin and Tokyo. After developing this point he drew his final conclusion that "if we win this war, and we can't afford to lose, it will be won only after every man and woman makes sacrifices both personal and material."

Cole's speech followed the luncheon and came after the regular business of the meeting had been dispensed with. Guests present to hear the stirring address were Malcolm Street, Dr. S. O. Kimbrough, Paul Brown, Elvin McCary, and C. H. Young. The attendance prize of war stamps was awarded Fred Gurley.

Religious Emphasis Week will be observed next week, beginning Monday morning and continuing through Friday in keeping with the suggestion made by the International Council of Religious Education, and a proclamation issued by Governor Frank M. Dixon.

Plans have been made for Mr. J. T. McKee, of Northport, to speak Monday at 10 o'clock. Mr. McKee was formerly a member of the faculty of the Florence State Teachers College, and has been prominent in educational circles for many years. He received an award from the citizens of Tuscaloosa County for being selected as the man who had rendered the greatest service in that county.

On Tuesday morning a program will be presented under the direction of the Y.W.-Y.M.C.A. on "Music and Religion." Wednesday morning Mr. Leon McCluer will give a report on Camp Miniwanea, where representatives of the Danforth Foundation assemble annually. Thursday morning there will be a program on "Art and Religion" and on Friday another guest speaker will be presented.

In connection with this announcement, the remarks made at the Monday morning assembly by President Cole were timely and appropriate. He pointed out to students that one of the most important things about a college career was to arrive at a true and workable philosophy of life. Problems of money, physical and mental health will have to be solved, he said, but one's philosophy is most important. In order for one to live up to his capacities, it is necessary to find one's self; adjust one's self to others, and to be attuned to the spiritual things about us.

of the Alabama Associated Industries; Oscar Strauss, regional director of the Office of Price Administration; Hayse Tucker, head of the state Civilian Defense Council; John Temple Graves, columnist for the Birmingham Age-Herald; Congressman Sam Hobbs, representative from this district, and possibly several others.

The public is invited to hear these addresses and there will be no charge. The social science department will make special use of the addresses and will give students an opportunity to connect them with their courses.

## Col. H. M. Ayers Presents President Fall Term Begins

The regular Fall session was ushered in at the State Teachers College by a meeting at which President Houston Cole was formally presented to the faculty on Saturday afternoon, September 4. He was introduced by Colonel Harry M. Ayers, a member of the State Board of Education from this district.

Colonel Ayers said he was always glad to come to Jacksonville where he went to school and where he had enjoyed many pleasant associations. This occasion, he said, was of particular pleasure to him since he considered Houston Cole a man who could be depended upon to cope with any situation with which he might be faced in the administration of this college. He reviewed his career and recommended him to the faculty as the unanimous choice of the State Board of Education.

Mr. Cole asked the faculty to stand for a moment in silent tribute to Dr. C. W. Daugette, his predecessor and the man who built this college. He told of the years he spent in Jacksonville as a student and of his marriage to Leone Pruett, also a student. He facetiously remarked that after three years as president of the school if there had been progress made, he wanted the faculty to give him credit, if there is none, those who taught him here as a student are to be blamed.

He pledged his best efforts to the schools of this district where many of the college's graduates teach, to the students who come here to school, and to the faculty. He stated that he recognized the problems of enrollment and finance, but that he had faith in Jacksonville and believed it could be built up with the combined efforts of everyone.

Mrs. Cole was introduced by Dean C. R. Wood, who also made the announcements.

### Freshman Assembly Held

On Monday morning registration (See FALL TERM, Page 4)

night and Wednesday. He is an alumnus of this school and has distinguished himself in the field of public education.

A representative of The Teacola visited him in President Cole's office for an interview. He found him to be a tall, dark-haired man with deep-set blue eyes. He talked freely about his work and his activities since 1922 when he left Jacksonville after completing two years of college work. He mentioned the fact that he was one of the few men students on the campus when he entered in 1918. That was during World War I, and most of the young men were in the army. Dr. Meadows entered as a high school student, and completed this course before enrolling as a freshman. Among the few other men who were here at that time were L. L. Patterson, former congressman and now associated with some governmental agency in Washington, D. C.; Albert Hooten, judge in the fifth congressional district; Hubert Nixon, state toxicologist at Auburn; Robert B. Reynolds, until recently head of the Chemistry Department of Northwestern University; Henry Carpenter, Fred Crow, now a captain in the army medical corps; W. D. Buckner, James O. McGuire, John B. Robson, Homer A. Jacksonville, and J. M. Anders. President and Mrs. Houston Cole were also students here in 1921 and 1922.

In an effort to recall the names of some of those who were here at that time the bound volumes of the college catalog for the years between 1918-1922 were brought in. Dr. Meadows revelled in the opportunity to browse through them, and he particularly enjoyed the old photographs, finding himself in several groups. One showed Dr. Daugette and a long line of students as "six-footers."

After graduating here, Dr. Meadows served as principal of an elementary school in Anniston two years, and on the staff of the State Normal School at Daphne, for four years. He then became associated with the State Department of Education where he has been for the past seventeen years. He holds B. S. and M. A. degrees from the University of Alabama, and a Ph.D. from Columbia University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi, and Phi Delta Kappa, honorary fraternities.

Dr. Meadows was reared in Coosa County and attended school at Harmony and Equality. He has lived in Montgomery since being associated with the State Board of Education.

His work has to do with research and survey. The survey consists of study and research on school building programs, school centers, transportation, finance, child accounting, and teaching personnel; the research in connection with school surveys and special problems. Problems relate to safety and economy of school bus transportation, man-

agement and begin instruction. If there is a sufficient number to justify them, classes will be organized in Jacksonville, Piedmont and Anniston.

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Dr. Cayley stated that persons taking these courses have been in great demand in war industry plants. Many of them have been placed in positions as radio experts, draftsmen and traffic managers. Many others have received promotions because of this training.

The classes meet two or three times each week and tuition is free.

## War Chest Drive Gets Under Way At Alexandria Meeting Monday

A meeting of the War Chest Drive was held on Monday evening, September 21, at Alexandria. The meeting, presided over by Judge Carr and Dr. Calvert, was fully attended by all local chairmen of the Jacksonville area, and was marked by the enthusiasm of all those present. Purposes and methods of the campaign were thoroughly discussed, the area was mapped out and divided, and plans were laid for the great drive on October 20. Another meeting of the chairmen for Jacksonville alone will be held Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock, at Bibb Graves Hall, at which time more definite plans will be laid for the local campaign.

Dr. William Calvert has announced that all the officers and chairmen for the local War Chest Drive have been appointed. The purpose of the War Chest Drive is to raise money for the war charities such as the USO, The Navy Relief, the British War Relief, the Russian War Relief, and the like. Governor Dixon announced a month ago that all of these funds would be solicited in a single great drive in the state of Alabama instead of in a number of smaller drives. The soliciting will be done as nearly as possible on one day, October 20, in a house-to-house canvass. Contributions may be pledged or the actual money given.

The morale of our armed forces is exceedingly high at the present, and we must keep it that way by such agencies as the USO and

agement and ownership.

He is author of a book, "Safety and Economy on School Bus Transportation," and collaborated in the writing of a national handbook, "School Transportation in War Time," and a bulletin on "School Transportation in the Southern States."

Dr. Meadows expressed his pleasure at being in Jacksonville and stated that he was always glad to come back to his first alma mater.

Voting will be done by the casting of ballots, just as the voting is done in a state or national election.

After the student officials have been elected they will take charge of assembly programs. Instead of the faculty presenting students to our student body, the students will be presenting the faculty to the students. Other duties of the student officials will be to handle problems which the president and faculty think should be decided by students alone.

The student plan is working in colleges all over the nation, and there is no reason why it should not work here at JSTC.

Navy Relief. We must also aid in every way possible our allies who are doing so much to keep the democracies out from under the realm of the dictators. The War Chest Drive is the way to help. It is one of the things left for us here at home to do. The importance and significance of this War Chest Drive must not be neglected.

The officers and chairmen for the local drive are as follows: Rev. A. C. Summers, secretary; Albert P. Johnston, treasurer; R. K. Coffee, chairman of publicity. Chairmen for Jacksonville: Zone One, C. E. Cayley; Zone Two, C. H. Ferrell; Zone Three, J. M. Anders; Zone Four, C. R. Wood; Mill Village, John Ford; Needmore, Charles Taylor Fox; County chairmen: Beat 24, Felix Mullino, W. T. Gorey, and F. T. Angel; Wellington, Andrich Harvey; Ohatchee, C. R. Propst; Alexandria, Frank Little; Weaver, F. E. McCullars; Four Mile, Mrs. W. H. Haywood; Bonnie Brook, Mrs. E. L. Rivers.

## SATURDAY CLASSES BEGUN AT JSTC

Saturday classes began last week and will be held open for more students for another week or two. They are held for the purpose of offering teachers in this district the opportunity for working on their degrees while employed full time in the schools. Usually a large number take advantage of these classes, but on account of the shortage of tires, there may be fewer this year.

Only one class was begun Saturday, "Health and the Elementary Teacher," but others will be started later if the number present justifies them.

All teachers in this section who are interested in enrolling in these classes should report at Bibb Graves Hall Saturday.



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COLLEGES ALARMED OVER  
DRAFTING OF TECHNICIANS

Recently it was announced that all college students would be subject to call within a few months, regardless of the fact that many of them have been deferred to continue their study of critical occupations and professions.

This announcement came as a bombshell to college presidents and students, particularly since most of the colleges have revised their curricula to meet the demands of the War Department.

Immediately telegrams and letters began to pour into Washington and many radio commentators were urged to arouse public opinion against such a step. Among them was H. V. Kaltenborne, who is known as one of the best. Mr. Kaltenborne has made a study of conditions and in a recent statement said that it was necessary to have two technicians, doctors, dentists, radio experts, engineers, etc., for every soldier sent into combat duty. For an army of 13 million, the number of technicians would reach large proportions. Already, Mr. Kaltenborne said, the army is short four million technicians. To take the boys out of college who are preparing themselves for these occupations would be short-sighted on the part of the War Department and the Selective Service Board. If we are to win this war we must

have trained men; trained not only to fight but to carry on the thousands of tasks which only trained men can do.

Another angle to the question, too, is that if all men are taken from the colleges, there will be a generation of untrained, poorly educated young men. Few of them will be able to adjust themselves after the war, which would make for restlessness and dissatisfaction. The last war bore out the contention that few return to college after a war; only five per cent of those who fought in the last war returned to college campuses to complete their education.

The colleges are a vital force in our national life. Education is a bulwark of democracy. The government should take steps to keep the colleges going. Wherever advisable, programs of training should be set up by the government, so that students would be in the army while completing their training. Not only should they be enlisted in some form of service, but the government should give them the financial aid necessary to receive this training, just as though they were already in the army.

Our officials in Washington can't afford to take all the college men of draft age if this war is to be a long one, as has been predicted, and if there is to be a continuous demand for technicians over a period of years.

## TEACOLA POLICIES

The Teacola is starting the school year of 1942-43 in a world that is in a more terrible condition than any that most Teacola readers have seen. Such a time demands that the people fix certain principles and stick by them, and that newspapers declare certain policies and back them up; and that's exactly what we intend to do! Here are some of our policies for the year set before you. You'll be hearing about them a great deal in the coming months.

This year—

The Teacola is going to back the war effort solidly. We're behind, and ready to do our share in every agency for victory. As a

mouthpiece to and for the student body we are going to make you realize that the little bit that seems unimportant to you can be vital, for every little bit counts big. That extra pocket money left over mounts up, and can go for better things than knick-knacks—namely war saving stamps.

We're going to knock a hole in that self-complacency that lets our readers think "We'll win," and then forget there is a war. We want people to realize that it's going to take an all-out scrap to scrap the Japs, Inc.; and that we will win only if everyone does his or her share.

But in standing up for that effort we're not going to turn our backs on the thought of the peace that is coming.

The Teacola is going to be heartily for the promotion of education in Alabama. After this war we're going to need trained, educated men and women for leaders. The students of today will be the congressmen and governors of tomorrow, and to be expert they must be educated. The person who stops school now for what he thinks is a big chance is making a great mistake. He won't have a top place in the world of tomorrow if all he can do is drive a nail straight.

We forgot that during the years of peace. That's why we lack trained leaders now. The Teacola wants to see people looking to the future and the time when they will need the study that they're throwing over now for the opportunities of a brief day.

The Teacola is going to see that in the paper, at least, the student body doesn't fall into that old lethargy that lets the literary societies die, that loses interest in all campus clubs, that doesn't sponsor social activities and thinks, "What's the use?" that old feeling that blames every slump and blue mood on the war. We haven't noticed anyone so heated up over the war that he's forgotten or forsaken all else. Now's the time to build up morale, not tear it down! We're going to boost school spirit and enthusiasm!

Those are some of our policies. Are you with us, readers?

## Ye Olde Gossippe

From observations of the past year it is quite obvious to conclude that the gossip column of the Teacola holds the chief interest of the students when compared with other portions of the paper. This gossip column is printed only with the help of all students. A gossip box is located in The Grab in which bits of gab are dropped. Don't keep the gossip to yourself. Let us in on it too. The gossip column is to be taken in a friendly way and does not intend to embarrass or humiliate any individual. If the students want this column they must contribute to it.

Why does MARY ANN always request "Oh, Johnny" at all of the community singings? Could it be because of Corporal Johnny at Fort McClellan? . . . SARA NELL, we hear that you are rating a Lieutenant lately. How about letting us in on the secret? . . . JEFFIE LANDERS has two college boys at each other's throats. At least that's what we hear . . . It's rumored that a certain freshman is engaged to a MAJOR. Heard anything about it?

BATTLING BAR C. SMITH of Forney Hall and Pisgah, Alabama, was mourning aplenty last week, so we heard. It is rumored about JSTC that BAR'S former heart-throb (the girl from home) has left him for another. You have our sympathy BAR . . . "All alone and fancy free," says MARY JAMES PATTON. She is quite alone all right, but boy, oh boy, is she true to FLOYD . . . ENELL and MORRIS are having their difficulties as usual, so we hear . . . "Gone but not forgotten," replied MARGARET SIMS when she was asked about BISHOP.

A certain freshman, namely LOUISE BONINO, is really getting a rush from one Forney fellow, namely BAR C. . . . ELIZABETH JAMES says that the motto of all Kentucky girls is, "Love 'em, then leave 'em" . . . FRENCHY JONES and JOHN DEASON are in the luggage business. If you are in need of a luggage boy just give them a ring . . . SARA NELL and CHARLIE JOHNSON make a cute couple . . . "Too many ways to go astray at Auburn," says SARA PRYAR, so SEYMOUR promptly returned to JSTC this year.

EARL LINDSEY, why don't you come on out, these rats won't hurt you . . . There is a new fad going around school now. The freshmen are having to wear "rat" caps . . . Wonder why all the rats are calling "JUNIOR SIDES," Gopher SIDES now . . . What freshman girl was seen Thursday night with a certain piano player?

Three Little Girls in School—BETH COLE, GWENDOLYN ANDERS and LENORA DEMPSEY. MARILYN HOUSE, a charming addition to the high school set, living at Dangette Hall. A happy reunion at the Apartment Dormitory. OTIS STAPP and her kitty, Mickey Boo, who was returned after an absence of several weeks.

Why did ELIZABETH JAMES get so excited Monday

## « Letters From Our Men In Service »

The following are excerpts from letters written by former students, Lee Honea, Fred Bramblett and Scott Little to Dr. H. B. Mock. Lee is no longer stationed at Atlantic City, as he was at the time when the letter was written, but is now staying in a private home in Philadelphia and taking special training in ground aeronautics.

Atlantic City, New Jersey  
August 16, 1942

Dear Friend:

It seems as if I've already been in the army for several months; however, it really has been only thirteen days since I left

306th Service Squadron  
91st Service Group  
Fort Dix, New Jersey  
August 20, 1942

Hello Dr. Mock:

I just wanted to tell you about getting the opportunity to see "Othello" last Monday night at McCarter Theatre, Princeton, New Jersey. My commanding officer was given fifteen tickets to be given boys in his outfit, and it happened that I got one. The character of Othello was acted by Paul Robeson; I'm sure you've heard of his acting that part. Dr. Mock, that Negro was awfully good, he's perfect for that part. Remember

(Below are two letters from Norman Tant. They were written before the fall of Bataan, however, and cannot be taken too optimistically by those who knew Tant and have been concerned about him. His reaction to conditions are interesting, and are probably typical of the other Americans who are to go down in history as heroes.)

In The Field  
(Not a Cornfield)  
February 3, 1942

Dear Folks:

Well, after the war went on a few days, I joined the monkeys in the jungles you have read about. It is much cooler here than it was where I was stationed when I radiced



home in Philadelphia and taking special training in ground aeronautics.

Atlantic City, New Jersey

August 16, 1942

Dear Friend:

It seems as if I've already been in the army for several months; however, it really has been only thirteen days since I left civilian life. In those days I've traveled a great deal, seen quite a bit of familiar and new country and learned such as there has been to learn.

There were seven of us who left Birmingham that Tuesday morning for Fort McClellan. We were thoroughly examined, physically there, received our oath of service and were bound for Fort McPherson by Wednesday afternoon, arriving there about nine o'clock in a flurry of wind and rain—which we had to stand in too long.

Fort McPherson is a reception center. In such a place the men receive their initial shots and vaccinations; are issued their clothing and some equipment, are given intelligence and aptitude tests; and are interviewed and classified in a preliminary category.

Monday morning after coming in the preceding Wednesday night, I was placed in a shipping group and was loaded on a train bound for—we didn't know where. There were several cars of us being shipped that day to all parts of the United States.

We were anxious as to where we would finally wind up and we noted the directions carefully as we made our way out of Georgia—

It is indeed a grand place here. The Army Air Corps has taken charge of most of the swanky resort hotels along the beach here at the boardwalk. I'm staying along with many more, in the Chelsea Hotel, which is a honey. The place has more ball-rooms, cocktail bars and lounges, concert halls and all sorts of decorative vestibules, terraces, and the like than it has rooms. There are four men in each room, by the way, which is a comfortable number. Our beds are as soft and "sleepable" as those at home.

The streets, boardwalks and boulevards are used as drill grounds. We get eight hours a day, if there aren't other things to be done. When we are given a rest period the civilians who live along the street where we happen to be drilling are very kind and friendly to us. The women prepare ice water, lemon- and orange-ade, or grape juice, and serve us. They also pass out cigarettes.

It's not all sweet and a bed of roses. No siree! I was on K.P. the day before yesterday from early morning until about 7:30 that night. I'm almost in mind to condemn the Irishman who started cultivating Irish potatoes, if he was an Irishman—

As yet there are just a few more than a hundred Southerners here. We were easily spotted until yesterday when our blue denim work suits were exchanged for the air corps green denim coveralls. We have our tan, or Khaki, Class A uniforms, but only wear them when we've finished detailed work or routine drilling.

Write soon.

Love to all,

LEE.

I just wanted to tell you about getting the opportunity to see "Othello" last Monday night at McCarter Theatre, Princeton, New Jersey. My commanding officer was given fifteen tickets to be given boys in his outfit, and it happened that I got one. The character of Othello was acted by Paul Robeson; I'm sure you've heard of his acting that part. Dr. Mock, that Negro was awfully good, he's perfect for that part. Desdemona was played by Uta Hager; she was born in Germany, daughter of Dr. Askor Hager, who came over as an exchange professor at the University of Wisconsin.

I've been intending to write you for a long time, but didn't get around to it, and now since I've seen Othello I just had to write and tell you how much I enjoyed it.

I'll try to tell you about what we're trying now. This is an Air Corps experiment. Several outfits were combined in one unit to see how well they can function together. So far we've performed pretty well, well enough to receive letters of commendation from the "Brass Hats" in Washington.

Oh yes, I've also been to Washington, D. C. Last month I got a three-day pass, and so I went to Washington. I'd never been there before. I've traveled around a great deal since I came into the army January 7. I've been in fourteen states and the District of Columbia. While at Mitchell Field I went to New York City pretty often.

Dr. Mock, the people here, especially in New York state, are simply wonderful to the men in service; they do everything they possibly can for us. They're always giving us something or entertainment. Just last night the J.W.B. gave forty men in my outfit a picnic and a dance; and last night a group of us went to Camden to a dance.

I was very sorry to hear of Dr. Daugette's death. Best of luck and tell your family I said, "hello."

FRED.

Madison, Wisconsin

Radio School

September 12, 1942

Dear Dr. Mock:

Thanks very much for the letter of recommendation, though for some unknown reason the officials at Montgomery haven't sent me my birth certificate as yet and until they do I can't make application for the meteorology school.

I'm doing pretty well in my course thus far but I haven't as yet acquired any great love for it. I think that it is becoming more interesting, however; so I suppose I will try to finish it.

Well, I must close and study. A card was received from Burney Bishop stating that he is a midshipman and is now stationed at Columbia University, New York, to continue training.

Sincerely,

SCOTT.

In The Field

(Not a Cornfield)

February 3, 1942

Dear Folks:

Well, after the war went on a few days, I joined the monkeys in the jungles you have read about. It is much cooler here than it was where I was stationed when I radioed you before Christmas.

Soon after we went into the field a buddy and I had pitched our pup tents and went to sleep. During the night a curious monk was examining our equipment when Jack woke up. He is a sandy-haired lad from Oregon who played football. Monk woke Jack up and he said the next morning he stuck his furry head under the blanket and shut his eyes. To hear him tell it would kill you. A little later I woke up and got my bayonet. The monk realizing he was outnumbered and out-flanked, beat a hasty retreat up a nearby tree.

I hope you aren't spending too much time worrying about me. Just sit tight and don't do anything rash. Neil and Wyvers should work hard at farming or whatever they can do in civilian terms.

I took out a \$10,000 term policy (U. S. Army) for the duration. In case I don't return that will pay you \$50 a month for more than 20 years. It cost me \$6.70 per month, but I'm not pessimistic. I'm planning to teach this war in history. I may not go back to the teaching profession. I am tentatively planning to open a photo place in Carrollton. It is a good field.

By the way bombs are overrated. They aren't so bad.

You might give Pledge the main parts of this letter. I am too lazy to write so many. Tell somebody from Whitesburg to say hello to Miss Lily and Mr. Hilly for me. Write Aunt Mabel that I'm O.K. and thinking frequently of the days I used to spend there. Also my friends around Mt. Zion and Carrollton when you see them.

I heard Charlie McCarthy last night also Jack Benny. I notice they use the same old routine of jokes. Of course you'll send this letter to Opal and Trave. Tell them they better go light on the nephews. After all I don't want to be a stranger when I get back. I've grown a beard to go with the mustache. It is really a killer diller. It gets chilly and I don't take a bath sometimes as frequently as I should. The other day I had neglected to bathe for about four days. Then one night a grey monkey, (I'm not sure it was a "gal" or not) started to join me in my pup tent. It snuffed and remarked "B. O."

and left. It was so humiliating that I promptly took a bath the next day. Of course some of the fellows get excited and scared, but, so help me, I haven't been scared since the war began. Most of the fellows have a keen sense of humor and it isn't at all unusual to listen to an impromptu wise cracking session, and wisecrack too while things are a bit hot.

Keep your chin up. You can write to me if you address it to P. O. No. 2, P. I. Just (See LETTERS, Page 4)

Three Little Girls in School—BETH COLE, GWENDOLYN ANDERS and LENORA DEMPSEY. MARILYN HOUSE, charming addition to the high school set, living at Daugette Hall. A happy reunion at the Apartment Dormitory, OTIS STAPP and her kitty, Mickey Boo, who was returned after an absence of several weeks.

Why did ELIZABETH JAMES get so excited Monday evening? When the telephone rang and the operator reported "long distance" was calling she forgot what her number was.

MARION COFFEE was the target for MISS LUTTRELL'S first throw with chalk for the new session. You'll have to learn to dodge, MARION!

MIRIAM WOOD, a happy freshman Monday afternoon when her Dad came to see her.

Daugette Hall girls are all excited over the prospects of LT. DEAN HUDSON bringing his famous Second BIRTHC Band to the campus for a concert and floor show. A good friend of the hostess, MRS. J. F. ROWAN, he has agreed to bring his corps of professional musicians and present a show at an early date, probably next week. All of the members of the band have played with big-name bands in the East, and LT. HUDSON had his own band which appeared regularly over radio hook-ups.

She's a cute girl, she's a little freshman but hang it all, with so many strange faces one can't be expected to remember a girl's name right off, can they DEASON, even if one is taking her out.

"This sad, oh it's heart rending, it's even unbelievable almost but nevertheless it's true. Had it been anyone else we might not have been surprised but who would have ever in their wildest imagination suspected BRITTAIN of neglecting his girl friend in order to devote his time to his figure- beautiful but, alas, 'tis true.

And listen me lady friends, GRISSOM and BRITTAIN haven't only made up their minds to be lonely bachelors for a while but have actually put it down on paper.

Our YANKEE is probably disillusioned about our "Sunny South" or at least she gets awfully chilly sometimes—has to interrupt a pleasant evening to run home for a wrap.

Don't dare mention it but we have heard it rumored that MARY ANN slightly admires FRANK PAYNE, also MAX PRICKETT. She has definitely (and there's no changing her mind) settled down to Shakespeare and occasionally a little bridge. Good girl, HENRIETTA.

Of all the wonderful fellows in the service according to ALEXANDER BELL ranks a pretty close second.

ADAMSON is some freshman and really takes her "rating" but the poor girl has an awful weakness. She is scared almost to death of little "mouses" and old enough to be in college.

Now that summer school is over and the spicy tang of autumn is in the air BAR C. has given up swimming and watermelon eating for other diversions.



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## Henry Lee Greer Principal of Piedmont High School

Henry Lee Greer, one of Jacksonville's most successful graduates, is serving his first term as principal of Piedmont High School. For the past two years he has been principal of the Bibb Graves High School at Millerville. Prior to that he was teacher and coach at Millerville.

Henry Lee played every position on the football team as a student here, and in his last year called signals from the guard position. He also played basketball and was business manager for the team.

After going to Millerville as coach, he produced several winning teams in the district basketball tournaments.

He has been doing graduate work at Auburn toward a master's degree.

Mrs. Greer is also a member of the Piedmont faculty.

Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Love are now living in Gadsden. Mr. Love resigned his position as principal of the Piedmont High School to take a place with the Alabama Mills.

The friends of Mrs. Opal Tucker, a popular student who received her degree in June, will be interested to learn that she is principal of the Cropwell school in St. Clair County.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ben

## COLLEGE DOCTOR AND NURSE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS

Mrs. W. J. Calvert, of the health and physical education department, announced Monday at assembly that the college physician and nurse are at the physical education building every morning at 10:00 o'clock for the benefit of attending to the students.

Anyone who needs to consult the doctor or who desires medical attention will receive this service free of charge.

Dr. James Williams and Dr. E. P. Green serve alternately as college physicians.

## THE PROBLEMS OF COMMUTING

There are in almost all colleges students who do not live on the campus or in private homes in the college town. These are the commuters. These are the ones who

Kirk, Jr., will be interested to learn of the arrival of their little daughter, Barbara Jean. The Kirks live in Birmingham.

Sergeant Woodrow Thrash, who is stationed in Alaska with United States troops, has been visiting his parents at Heflin.

Billy Grissom, a member of the junior class, has enlisted in the U. S. N. R., in the V-7 service.

Robert Hyatt spent the week-end in North Carolina with his sister who is an army nurse. She expects to be called to overseas duty soon.

The friends of John Ihrie, of Zebulon, N. C., will be interested to learn that he has volunteered for military service. John spent two years here in the home of his cousin, Dr. W. J. Calvert.

Herman Prickett is stationed at Arcadia, Florida, with the U. S. Army Air Corps.

Wilbur Cox is at Camp Blanding with the U. S. Army.

The friends of Ernest Bell will be interested to learn that he was recently promoted to first lieutenant at Fort Benning, Ga., where he is stationed.

## METHODISTS GIVE FROSH RECEPTION

On the first Wednesday night after the opening of school, the members of the Methodist Church gave their annual reception for the freshmen and other new students at the college. The reception was held in the educational building.

When the students arrived they were given date slips with blank spaces to be filled in for each day in the week. Everyone promptly began making his or her various dates with the others present. As the "dating" began, something was planned for each night; Monday night was music night, Tuesday night community singing, Wednesday night, church night, Thursday night young peoples' night, and Friday night was folk game night.

After the program the Womens Society for Christian Service served delicious iced punch.

## RECEPTION GIVEN FOR HOUSTON COLES

As a gesture of welcome and friendliness, the citizens of Jacksonville were hosts at a reception on Tuesday evening after the opening of school, honoring President and Mrs. Houston Cole and Miss Beth Cole. The affair took place at the Community Center and was attended by more than six hundred persons.

Mrs. James Williams served as general chairman and she was assisted by the following: Mrs. George Rowan and Mrs. A. J. Kitchens, reception; Mrs. J. L. Townley, invitation; Mrs. F. M. Lawrence, refreshments; Mrs. W. W. Battle, decorations; Miss Ada Curtiss, music, and E. H. West, finance.

Greeting the guests at the door were Mrs. A. D. Edwards, and Mrs. Henry Edwards. Mrs. C. T. Harper, Mrs. Claire Johnson and Mrs. A. A. Wilson registered the guests.

Standing in the receiving line were: Mrs. Williams, President and Mrs. Cole and Miss Beth Cole, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Wood, the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Ferrell, the Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Summers, the Rev. and Mrs. H. Ross Arnold, John W. Medders, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Shelton, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Glazner, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stephens.

The receiving line stood in the foyer of the Center and the guests made their way into the main auditorium where refreshments were served. The presidents of the women's clubs presided at the punch bowls, Mrs. H. V. Weaver, Mrs. E. J. Landers, Mrs. J. D. Laminack, Mrs. J. C. Steele and Miss Catherine Ashmore. They were assisted by twenty-five local young women.

During the evening music was furnished by Mrs. Eda Hart, pianist, and Mrs. Letha Kilgore, saxophonist, of Anniston.

## MISS KELLER'S FIRST GRADE GOES ALL-OUT IN WAR EFFORT

The students in Miss Sue Keller's fifth grade, in the laboratory school, have organized themselves into two groups, the Leathernecks and the MacArthurs, to promote the war effort.

The groups will compete with each other in buying war stamps and bonds, and in collecting scrap of all kinds.

The MacArthur group is composed of the following: Forney R. Dauge, Jr., captain; Mary Janie Landers and Barbara Joan Norton, helpers; Carthel West, Tommie Luttrell, Mary Deason, Mary Nancy Williams, Lavera Landers, George Harlin, Billy Brooks, Charles Jenkins, Kenneth Fowler, Betty Long-

## COMMERCIAL TEACHER



R. A. James

Mr. James is beginning his second year as head of the Commercial Department. During this time he has turned out many graduates, trained as commercial teachers, and has given intensified courses to dozens of students who are now employed in civil service.

He is a graduate of the Georgia School of Technology, and holds a master's degree from New York University. He has also had extensive training in business subjects.

## HELEN "RUSTY" HART

Fellow students of this school of ours that is tucked away down here in the very heart of the South, in case you haven't heard, there's a Yankee in our midst! We don't mind though since she is one of the nicest Yankees we know. Her name? It's Helen Hart, but due to those freckles and that red hair we just have to call her "Rusty."

She's a senior from Middletown, New York. She likes sports, hiking, traveling, and most of all she likes people. There's a boy friend, too, somewhere with the United States Army.

And get a load of this—she really and honest-to-goodness likes our school and our students. And about our sweet young things here, she thinks the Southern girls taken as a whole are prettier and sweeter than the Northern girls. Take heed all you heretofore unappreciative fellows.

There's another thing; "Rusty" doesn't resent being referred to as a Yankee—that is, in a nice way. She's easy to make friends with and since we have introduced her, we leave the rest to you.

## AN ORCHID TO—

ERLINE BODINE — for her friendly, unruffled disposition, for her quiet efficient manner, for her

## NEW STUDENTS ARE ENTERTAINED AT APARTMENT DORMITORY

The new students at the Apartment Dormitory were entertained Thursday evening, September 10, with a weiner roast on the grounds back of the building. The lawn furniture, arranged near the outdoor fireplace afforded a comfortable place for everyone to be seated. Introductions were made in a get-acquainted effort and group singing furnished entertainment.

A delicious picnic supper was served followed by a marshmallow roast. The following were present: Edna Bailey, Elinor Banks, Erline Bodine, Mildred and Maxine Boozer, Mary Frances Braswell, Mabel Duran, Anna Hall, Willie Ann Harris, Katherine Killebrew, Mary Ann Landers, Dorothy Meeks, Lillian Mize, Jean McGouirk, Lucille Norris, Edna Frances Patrick, Mattie Mae Ryan, Mary Rivers, Otis and Martha Stapp, Josephine Sherrer, Inez Spears, Cleo Stamps, Sara Nell Stockdale, Harriet Lonergan, Noma Braden, Mrs. Arvel Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blair, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Smith, Mrs. Houston Cole and Beth Cole, Dr. Clara Weishaupt, Miss Maude Wright, and Mrs. Margaret Stapp.

## TEA DANCES

The beginning of the Fall Quarter here at JSTC also marked the beginning of the weekly tea dances. These dances are being held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30 p. m. until 7:30 p. m. in the music room of Bibb Graves Hall. At these dances two hours of wholesome entertainment are offered to the student body.

At the opening tea dance a large number of students were present, in fact, the music room was so crowded that another few yards of dancing space wouldn't have caused any harm. The music for the opening dance was furnished by the record player which was purchased last year by the student body and faculty for use at social functions on the campus, and especially at tea dances.

On Thursday evening the second dance was held with even more success than the first. Lester Sims, a freshman, and also a very capable pianist, rendered the music.

Mrs. Rowan, matron of Dauge Hall, and Mrs. Stapp, matron of the Apartment Dormitory, were chaperons for the two social affairs.

These tea dances are sponsored by the social committee for the students' entertainment in the apartment dormitory. If you want to learn to dance or if you want to make the acquaintance of the boys and girls of JSTC, then the tea dance is the place for you. Now that we have started the feet to shuffling, let's keep it that way. How about it, students?

## Forney Follies

BY  
BILLY  
GRISSOM

From the sturdy corridors of Forney Hall comes the familiar strains of the turbulent if not majestic symphony of masculine domesticity. The clanging of the battered trash cans as they take their midnight stroll up and down the stairs; the boogie woogie of a loud-mouthed radio trying to be heard over a chorus of bathroom baritones; the pathetic appeal of the unanswered 'phone and the cussin' the coke machine gets—this is the music of Forney Hall. To the musicians, the scholarly gentlemen who delight in raising h---, and to their director, Mr. Gary, who is not too reluctant to elevate a wee portion of Hades himself, is this column dedicated.

"Old Ironsides" Sides, U.S.M.-C.R., the only leather-neck who is leather from the neck up, and his beautiful if not bright companion, Dowling "Sneezy" Wheeler, two prizes of the CLS, had an abnormal amount of difficulty concerning a problem in analytic geometry, which, viewing the fact that they have just finished a nine hour course in analytics and claim to be master mathematicians, caused quite a bit of embarrassment on their part. It seems that a couple of beginners were having trouble getting started on an assignment on the first page of the book when the two master minds decided to expound their knowledge. They took over the book and started expounding; but, as I said, they ran into some difficulty. After a couple of hours, they laid down their pencils and said: "We would show you, but it'll do you more good to figure it out yourself." Whereupon they proceeded to make themselves scarce.

Now I sincerely hope the Dean doesn't hear about this because he might not understand. Of course, he will probably understand if he

knows that they are Calhouns, and therefore not entirely to blame for their mental condition.

Our beloved editor, Clay Brittain, is becoming quite a man. Yes sir!

Would you believe it? He put two inches on his chest in one week! It's absolutely astounding! Being Clay's friend (at least up until the moment he reads this), and therefore being anxious to see that nothing drastic happens to him, I have taken a few precautionary measures. The other day I had a conference with Mr. Gary and persuaded him to have the partition knocked out between our two largest rooms and have the door widened considerably. When this large room is completed Clay will be allowed to move in. You see, at the rate of two inches a week, Clay's chest will be 104 inches plus what it already is. Anyone with foresight can see that Clay needs an extra large room with an extra large door so that he will not get trapped by his own expansion and starve to death before anyone can get him out. Clay, or "Chesty" as he will probably allow us to call him in the future, will be pleased to learn that his friends have been so thoughtful. It's nice to have nice friends.

The new freshmen in Forney have been officially and warmly welcomed. Ask any freshman how warmly! Never let it be said that a Forney freshman is ignored or neglected by his superiors. We are always showing our love to them by letting them do little favors for us. Really, they never have a dull moment. Now, freshmen, there's a little favor I'd like to ask of you. How about getting out and stirring up a little nice scandal so I will have something to write about?

## Navy Procurement Program Makes More Men Eligible For Officers

## APARTMENT DORMITORY INAUGURATES STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Stapp, the hostess at the Apartment Dormitory, students in that building will be governed this year by a Student Council. Each student will also serve as hostess of the day and will be on duty at all times to greet visitors or anyone

A new enlisted class designed to procure and train reserve officer candidates has been established in the United States Naval Reserve and is designated by the Navy as Class V-II. This class will enable the Naval Officer Procurement Service to select men for officer training with fewer qualifications as far as their physical and educational attainments are concerned.



P. Green serve alternately as college physicians.

## THE PROBLEMS OF COMMUTING

There are in almost all colleges students who do not live on the campus or in private homes in the college town. These are the commuters. These are the ones who leave their homes early in the morning to catch the bus. These are the ones who are regularly late to their eight o'clock classes.

Since I am one of the unlucky people, you may believe me when I say that commuting is definitely not the best way to attend school. The relation of the commuter to his school is a queer one. It is hard for him to participate in the activities as he would like to. He comes to school, attends classes, loaf, eats, studies a little, and goes home. Such a person has no place on the campus which is really his own.

Perhaps a school orchestra or band is being formed. The practices may be at night. Especially since tires are rationed, there is no chance for the commuter to take part. The same is true of basketball practice and social activities.

One of the essential things which the freshman especially misses is the nightly "board meetings" with the upper classmen in Forney Hall.

During the day when the out-of-towner has no classes, sometimes for several hours, he is at a loss as to where to go and what to do. This seems to have been solved in a way by the commuters who have gone before. The place is the physics lab, and the activity in which we indulge in the famous art of "bull-shooting."

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rutledge, of Northport, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Cole.

Mrs. Joe Shamblin, of Northport, spent the week-end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Wood.

Thomas Felgar has returned to Duke University to resume his studies after a visit to his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Felgar. Thomas was a representative from Duke at the conference of International Allied Students which met in Washington, D. C., the latter part of August. The group was addressed by President Roosevelt.

President and Mrs. Houston Cole will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Keller at the Florence State Teachers College Wednesday when Mr. Cole addresses a county-wide patriotic rally.

Miss Maude Luttrell has had as her guest, her sister, Mrs. S. E. Jones, of Mulberry, Florida.

The friends of Mrs. Della Wright are glad to see her back on the campus after a stay of several weeks in the hospital.

planned for each night; Monday night was music night, Tuesday night community singing, Wednesday night, church night, Thursday night young peoples' night, and Friday night was folk game night.

After the program the Womens Society for Christian Service served delicious iced punch.

## ADMIRAL NIMITZ URGES CIVILIAN USE OF V-MAIL

In a letter to the Teacola from the Office of Public Relations, Eighth Naval District, New Orleans, an appeal was issued by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet to families of service personnel to use the new, fast V-Mail system for correspondence from the Mainland to forces afloat and afield.

Pacific Fleet V-Mail authorities pointed out that speed, privacy and economy should make use of this microfilm service attractive to the armed forces.

Whereas regular air mail from the Hawaiian area to the Pacific Coast points often takes many days—even going by convoy when mails are usually congested—V-Mail to these same cities average only four days. V-Mail for East Coast points takes only six days from the time of posting to arrival at its addressed destination.

In the Fleet, mail clerks have been supplied with special V-Mail forms. Letters written on these blanks and posted for censorship are not read again until they reach the addressees.

Mainlanders corresponding with men afloat or afield may obtain their V-Mail blanks from any post office. Full instructions appear on each form. Letters are sent to the nearest V-Mail center for forwarding by air to the soldier, sailor or marine concerned. Again, days are saved; and valuable airplane space is conserved for vital war goods.

Every one is urged to use these V-Mail forms when writing relatives or friends overseas.

Miss Frances Weaver and Tom Yarbrough attended the Theta Chi dance in Auburn Saturday night. They were guests of Tom's sister, Mrs. Lena Gough, who is a member of the faculty.

Miss Catherine Ashmore and Mrs. Mabel Ashmore spent the week-end in Wetumpka with Mrs. Henry Address (Mary Alice Ashmore) and Mr. Address.

Miss Ruth Parkman spent a day and night at her home in Langdale last week, joining her brother, Dan Parkman, of the U. S. Navy, who expects to be called to overseas duty soon.

of all kinds.

The MacArthur group is composed of the following: Forney R. Dauge, Jr., captain; Mary Janie Landers and Barbara Joan Norton, helpers; Carthel West, Bonnie Luttrell, Mary Deason, Mary Nancy Williams, Lavera Landers, George Harlin, Billy Brooks, Charles Jenkins, Kenneth Fowler, Betty Longshore, Geraldine Prather, and Roberta Wright.

The Leathernecks include the following: Cherie Lester, captain; Billy Joe Goodwin and Katherine Summers, helpers; J. B. Smith, Julia McKelley, Barbara Ann Brooks, Vivian Patty, Jean Simmons, Betty Jo Harlin, Frances Ingram, Rena Mae Lambert, Helen Dene Johnson, Virginia Carter, Helen Weaver, Marlene Boozer, Jacqueline Chappel, Mazie Walden, Earline Williams, Betty Jean Pierce, Fred Coggins, Bennie Chaney and James Barry.

Last year, Miss Keller's students bought more than three hundred dollars worth of bonds and stamps. They raised twenty-five chickens, which were donated by Herman Heathcock and sold them, using the money to buy stamps.

doesn't resent being referred to as a Yankee—that is, in a nice way. She's easy to make friends with and since we have introduced her we leave the rest to you—ense Co temple Grave

## AN ORCHID TO—

ERLINE BODINE—for her friendly, unruffled disposition, for her quiet efficient manner, for her pretty hair and eyes, and for just being her own sweet self.

LESTER SIMS—for being able to play a piano if for nothing else, for being able to cope with any situation that arises, for his ability to write themes be they good or bad.

FLORENCE JENKINS—for her spotless appearance, for being able to wear "specs" and get away with it without detracting from her looks, for one of the nicest and most frequent smiles of anyone we know and for her brains, etc. as the saying goes.

FRESHMAN DEASON—for being able to talk the loudest and longest and never disturb anybody with the weight of his conversation, for appreciating our feminine enrollment, for that childish quality endearing in a freshman, and seriously for his welcome optimism.

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## COLLEGE CHORAL CLUB NEEDS MORE MEMBERS

Miss Ada Curtiss, head of the music department, made a plea in assembly Monday for members in the Choral Club. The group which has already joined represents excellent quality, she stated, but more are needed.

The Choral Club is one of the most interesting of the campus organizations and this year credit is being given for the first time. A little later the club will begin rehearsals for a Christmas cantata which is one of the highlights of the school year, and other attractive programs are presented at intervals.

Chorus practices are held Monday afternoon at 4:30 and Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

# « Campus Personalities »

Considering the fact that he is the most outstanding figure on our campus, we choose for this time our new president. He has gained a rightful place among our JSTC personalities not only because of his position but because he has once been a member of the student body here. A regular fellow he is too. He really likes young people.

In fact, he likes them so well that, regardless of his ambition as a younger fellow to study law, he entered the teaching profession and has been working with high school and college students ever since. And remember you rats, sophs, juniors and even you dignified, intelligent seniors, as well as those somewhere in between, the main reason he is here is because he likes us. Sounds good, doesn't it? And listen to this. About the year of '23 he represented the Morgan Literary Society in the annual Morgan-Calhoun debate. I can't say which speaker he was, but it seems that they (the Morgans) won the thing and that he hardly slept a wink that night. This incident is related merely to show that he was once a real student here with no (not even the tiniest tinge) of malice toward the Calhouns. You see, I heard from reliable sources that Mrs. Cole is in sympathy with the Calhouns.

Quite a studious fellow was the young Mr. Cole, no time for girls and other frivolous things of college life. He says that that was one side he neglected. He is probably pleased, however, to see no such negligence on the part of our gentlemen scholars. Seriously though Mr. Cole says that one thing he is really in favor of and would like very much to see is a cooperative student organization in this school. Maybe you would like to know what this man likes for pastime. Well he likes to walk and with a cane. It seems that the cane is an indispensable object. This is, we think a commendable habit especially for the duration. Other forms of recreation he likes are those unanimous favorites of all America, especially Collegiate America, foot-



MR. COLE

ball and movies. The stars which he likes best are Spencer Tracy and Loretta Young.

Rather interesting is the account he gave of a trip to the Rose Bowl in '38. He saw Hollywood, too, and

found the stars quite pleasant and agreeable. There was the incident about Deanna Durbin which would be a little lengthy to relate here. Maybe he'll tell you about it some time. Don't let him tell you too much about what he saw. For instance, there is disillusion in store for you about the beautiful ocean with its rolling waves. He found it to be only a large cement vat filled with water that had air forced up underneath to cause the waves.

The harp and violin appeals to his musical ear and of the present day music his favorite song is "The White Cliffs of Dover."

One of the most exciting experiences in his life was when he first saw Times Square at night, known as the Great White Way of the World.

He also said that about the most frightened he has ever been was on a plane trip (his favorite form of transportation and by which he has traveled about 30,000 miles in the past four months). In fact, he says that he was scared almost to death away up there in the air with the elements raging all around him. But lucky for us and, incidentally, for him, too, he came through safe and sound to be our campus personality.

## GOVERNMENT

Under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Stapp, the hostess at the Apartment Dormitory, students in that building will be governed this year by a Student Council. Each student will also serve as hostess of the day and will be on duty at all times to greet visitors or anyone who comes into the building.

The girls met on Tuesday evening, September 15, to elect their council members. The following were chosen: Mrs. Lamar Smith, president; Noma Braden, vice-president; Mattie Mae Ryan, secretary-treasurer; Harriet Lonnergan, reporter. The group representatives are: Mary Nell Stockdale, freshman; Mabel Duran, sophomore; Willie Ann Harris, junior.

After the business session, the freshmen were asked to leave the room while the upper classmen elected the initiation group. It is composed of the following: Linnie Smith, Anna Hall, Edna Frances Patrick, Helen Meade and Mary Ann Landers.

## FOURTH MEMBER OF WILSON FAMILY ENTERS COLLEGE

The fourth member of the family of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson, of Woodland, entered the college this year. She is Elsie Wilson, a member of the freshman class.

Tuerman Wilson graduated in 1941 and is now with the U. S. Army as a physical instructor, stationed in Atlantic City.

Huey Wilson completed work for his degree in June, 1942, and is now

coaching in the Pisgah High School. Joe is a student here, and a member of the senior class. He expects to be called into military service sometime this year.

The Wilsons are among a number of families who have sent all their children to this school.

## ELIZABETH JAMES

From the state of fast horses and beautiful women to our state comes Elizabeth James. Yes, Elizabeth is from Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

While this is not her first visit to Jacksonville, (she spent about a month here this Summer and made up her mind to come back to college) it is the first time she has been away from home for any length of time.

She graduated in the Elizabethtown High School last Spring and plans to be a physical education teacher. Her favorite sports are horseback riding, tennis, dancing and picnicking.

Elizabeth is making her home with her uncle, Mr. R. A. James, and Mrs. James. Mr. James is the popular head of the commercial subjects department.

We are glad to have this little Kentuckian with us and we hope she will enjoy being here as much as we do having her.

the United States Naval Reserve and is designated by the Navy as Class V-II. This class will enable

After the student official will take charge the Naval Officer Procurement Service to select men for officer training with fewer qualifications as far as their physical and educational fitness is concerned.

The class also allows the deferment of enlisted candidates on an inactive status for a period not exceeding 90 days during which time the applications for commissions will be completed and processed. In this status the candidates cannot be drafted by selective service in the 90 day period.

Among the qualifications for V-II enlistments are those requiring the applicant to be a male citizen of the United States, under 39 years of age and able to meet physical regulations which, as in the case of men entering special service, may be waived in certain instances.

If the candidate is under 30 years of age he must possess a degree from an accredited university plus at least one year's business or professional experience or graduate work in college.

If 30 years of age or over he must have credit for two years of college work in addition to successful business or professional experience since then.

Upon the presentation of the required evidence of birth and citizenship to any headquarters or branch of the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, the candidate may, if considered good officer material, be enlisted apprentice seaman, Class V-II. His application will then be processed and considered while he is on a 90 day inactive status.

Should the investigation made indicate the candidate is not acceptable in the Navy he will be discharged and is then subject to call by the Army.

If found acceptable the candidate will be ordered to a school of indoctrination for 30 days of intensive training in an enlisted status.

After completing the indoctrination, the candidates not recommended for commissions will be discharged, or, at their own request, transferred to an enlisted status in the Naval Reserve. If satisfactory ability is shown the candidates will receive probationary commissions as recommended by the staff of the indoctrination school. Further intensive training will follow this commissioning. Those under 28 years of age will, if physically qualified, be given the Reserve Midshipman Course. Others will be trained for special service.

While on active duty in enlisted status, apprentice seamen, Class V-II, will receive the pay and allowances of their rating. Uniforms, books and equipment will be provided by the government.

After being commissioned the officers will be paid according to their rank.



## Jax Hi Eagle-Owls Open Football Schedule Friday Night At Piedmont

The Eagle-Owls of the Jacksonville High School will open the football season Friday of this week when they play their rivals of long standing, The Piedmont High School. The following Friday they will play the Cleveland High School, from Blount County, on the home field.

Only three members of last year's first string returned to school, Clinton Shipman, Jesse Wood and Lamar Parker. Billy Bergbon, J. P. Holden, Alvin Owens, Elbert Williamson and Harold Hicks received some game experience and help to strengthen the team this year.

Among the newcomers are: Reuben Boozer, Leonard Gorey, J. C. Stancil, Richard Mitchell, Leo Knighten, Ralph Hicks, and Leon McCluer. There are several others who may see service, including Harold Howell, Jack Walker, Oscar Johnson, Charles Williams, Leroy Austin, Wayne Wilson and Bill Coleman.

The 1942 schedule is as follows:  
Sept. 25—Piedmont at Piedmont.  
Oct. 2—Cleveland at Jacksonville.  
Oct. 9—Etowah County at Attalla.  
Oct. 16—Southside at Jacksonville.  
Oct. 23—Oxford at Jacksonville.  
Oct. 30—Piedmont at Jacksonville.  
Nov. 6—Alexandria at Alexandria.  
Nov. 13—Ashland at Ashland.

### DR. McLEAN JOINS WHMA RADIO STAFF

#### Jacksonville Teacher Connected With WHMA

Dr. Frank McLean, widely known in educational circles in the South, has joined the staff of Radio Station WHMA and has already assumed his duties at the local Blue Network affiliate.

Dr. McLean has served as professor of English at State Teachers College in Jacksonville for the past three years, and he has secured a leave of absence in order to enter the radio field.

Dr. McLean is a native of Virginia and received a major portion of his educational training at institutions in that area. He was awarded B.S. and M. S. degrees at the University of Virginia prior to completing work for his doctorate in the field of philosophy there.

Prior to his coming to State Teachers College in 1939, Dr. McLean had served with distinction as professor of English at William and Mary College at Williamsburg, Va.

### FALL TERM

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and orientation of freshmen began. At 10:00 o'clock the first assembly took place in Bibb Graves Hall. Mrs. W. J. Calvert, freshman coordinator, presided. She presented President Cole who spoke appropriately, addressing the students as "fellow freshmen." He told of how Abraham Lincoln had said, "I shall prepare myself and someday my chance will come." He did prepare himself and his day did come. William Jennings Bryan was another whom he mentioned as looking ahead and having the vision to prepare himself, and in the end he was recognized as one of the outstanding men of this country. He urged the students to prepare themselves that they, too, might be ready when their chance came.

Dr. Wood gave an explanation of the various courses and outlined the program of orientation.

Miss Maude Luttrell, personnel director for girls, spoke briefly, welcoming the new students; L. J. Hendrix gave a humorous account of his experiences as a freshman at the University of Alabama. The Rev. H. Ross Arnold, and the Rev. A. C. Summers extended welcome from their churches and invited the students to receptions on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Summers compared his entrance into Davidson College in 1918 with that of the present time. The classes were small on account of the war, and there was some question about how colleges would survive. He commended Jacksonville to the new students and commented favorably upon the opportunities offered here, the well trained faculty and well equipped buildings. He spoke of it as a school with the facilities of a larger one, but with the advantages of a smaller one.

#### Freshmen Guests At Movie Party

As an annual custom, members of the freshman class were guests of the Princess Theatre on Monday evening, witnessing the film, "Parachute Battalion."

#### Class Work Began Wednesday

The upper classmen began registering Tuesday and at noon Wednesday classes began. By Thursday the majority of students had settled down to the regular routine of dormitory life and college schedules.

### SENIORS, JUNIORS, SOPHS. MEET

The seniors, juniors, and sophomores each held a class meeting on

### PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR EXTENSION CLASSES

A. C. Shelton, director of extension, stated Tuesday that prospects for extension classes throughout the district were bright. He is organizing classes as rapidly as possible and is anxious for all teachers who are interested in taking advantage of securing college credit while engaged in teaching to enroll in the classes nearest them.

Classes have already been organized in Guntersville, Albertville and Boaz, but are still open for enrollment. Dr. J. F. Glazner and Mr. Shelton will teach classes in Guntersville at the Courthouse. Dr. Glazner is offering a course on Geography in Asia; a study of the war fronts, which should be of particular interest at this time.

Dr. Felgar will teach history in the City School building in Boaz. Dr. Mock will offer a course in English in the Albertville City Schools.

Mr. McCluer and Mrs. Self will hold classes in Clanton; Mr. McCluer teaching geography and Mrs. Self mathematics.

On Tuesday afternoons at 4:00 o'clock in the Attalla City School, Dr. Felgar will offer a course in history.

Additional classes are being organized and will be announced later.

#### Extension Classes Last Year Largest In State

Mr. Shelton stated that the extension classes taught by this college last year were the largest of any college in the state. It was one of the most successful years in the history of the extension department.

### MRS. STAPP ATTENDS NUTRITION WORK SHOP

Mrs. Margaret Stapp, assistant professor of arts, attended a Nutrition Work Shop in Gadsden Saturday. This was one of the district meetings being held over the state for the purpose of impressing citizens with the necessity for proper nutrition for winning the war.

The program was as follows: Introduction, Mrs. Gaynell H. Finch, chairman district meeting; Coordinating State and County Nutritional Programs, Mrs. Marion W. Spidle, chairman state committee; Importance of Nutrition on Health, Dr. Howell Cross, Etowah County Defense Council; reports from

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Prior to his coming to State Teachers College in 1939, Dr. McLean had served with distinction as professor of English at William and Mary College, at Williamsburg, Va.; at his Alma Mater, the University of Virginia, and at Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

In addition to his teaching interests, Dr. McLean has frequently served as coach for college debating teams and is widely-experienced in these fields. While at the University of Virginia several years ago, he produced and presented radio programs over Station WRVA in Richmond in the interest of the Virginia Quarterly Review. Dr. McLean was a regular contributor to this widely-read literary magazine for several years.

Dr. McLean will serve in the announcing and continuity branches while at WHMA.

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## SENIORS, JUNIORS, SOPHS. MEET

The seniors, juniors, and sophomores each held a class meeting on Tuesday morning. At these class meetings no officers were elected, because the officers for the student government are to be elected first. If the classes were to elect officers one of those officers might be elected to the student council which would not be a satisfactory arrangement. However, as soon as the student council is elected the classes will meet again and organize.

At each of these class meetings the students were urged by the class faculty advisor to take care in selecting the members to serve as officers. It is of great importance that the officers chosen are chosen wisely and not in a haphazard manner.

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## « LETTERS »

write about local news and don't ask questions. Letters are censored but it is not aimed at us. It is to prevent a possible use of our mails by the enemy.

With Love,  
NORMAN TANT.

February 19

I'm going to mail this letter now. I'm gaining weight again. I lost weight during the second month of war.

In the Field  
Philippine Islands  
March 1, 1942

Dear Folks:

Here's throwing another letter at you. I'm still gaining weight and have my beard. I trim it so it parts at the cleft of my chin. The fellows say I look the part of a professor now. Maybe I should keep it. Wouldn't I look important delaboring a chemistry class with a rather important looking beard?

I'm making \$45 per month now, not counting any percentage for serving overseas under fire. Soon that will be raised to \$55 when I get my year in. Before that time I'll be getting even more. A Major has recommended me for sergeant. I've been switched from one job to another too often, though, one just has to wait in line for a vacancy to be filled. Still at \$45 a month now, back pay adds up, less my insurance, of course.

I told you in another letter about the monkey who wanted to share my blankets. He has kept his distance since I'm afraid I hurt his (or her) feelings by a crude display of force when I stuck a bayonet at him. However, I've discovered a neighbor who has not made any warm approaches to be rebuffed. He lives in a hole not far from the tree I sleep under. He is an iguana a

little larger than the alligator I brought home from Florida. His head is about the size of an 8 weeks old pig's head. I would shoot him but he runs away too fast, and it's a heck of a lot of trouble to clean a gun just for killing an oversized lizard. The weather here is ideal. During January it was a little chilly early in the morning. Just about like the middle of May. It's ideal now, though. Every day is just like an early June morning in the woods back home. The birds sing the greatest variety of notes I ever heard. Cute little monkeys plaintively wail "Ma-a-a!" Just like a baby about 2 years old, and the trees are blooming tiny whitish-yellow blossoms. You have to look close to see them: I didn't notice it until the petals started falling on me.

I hear a geker making his guttural call. He's a big one, about 6 feet long, I guess. That's another species of lizard. Harmless though. I wish I had told you to keep clip-pings on the P. I. phase of the war. Somehow, I'd like to read the newspaper accounts of what we are doing here. I'm in a place that is being ballyhooed quite a bit. But, about this angle a newspaper can really slam out the extra editions. I know quite well the fellow who writes for United Press, Frank Hewlett. I have heard him quoted over the radio several times. He is a great fellow. I talk with him about three times a week.

A foreigner just flew over, but believe me, he didn't linger on the way. I started this letter last night and I'm finishing it at 9:20 a. m. I work from 8 to 12 morning and evening. Give my best regards to all my friends you see. Be sure to write Aunt Mable. Mary might even make a copy of this letter and send it to her.

Love,  
NORMAN.