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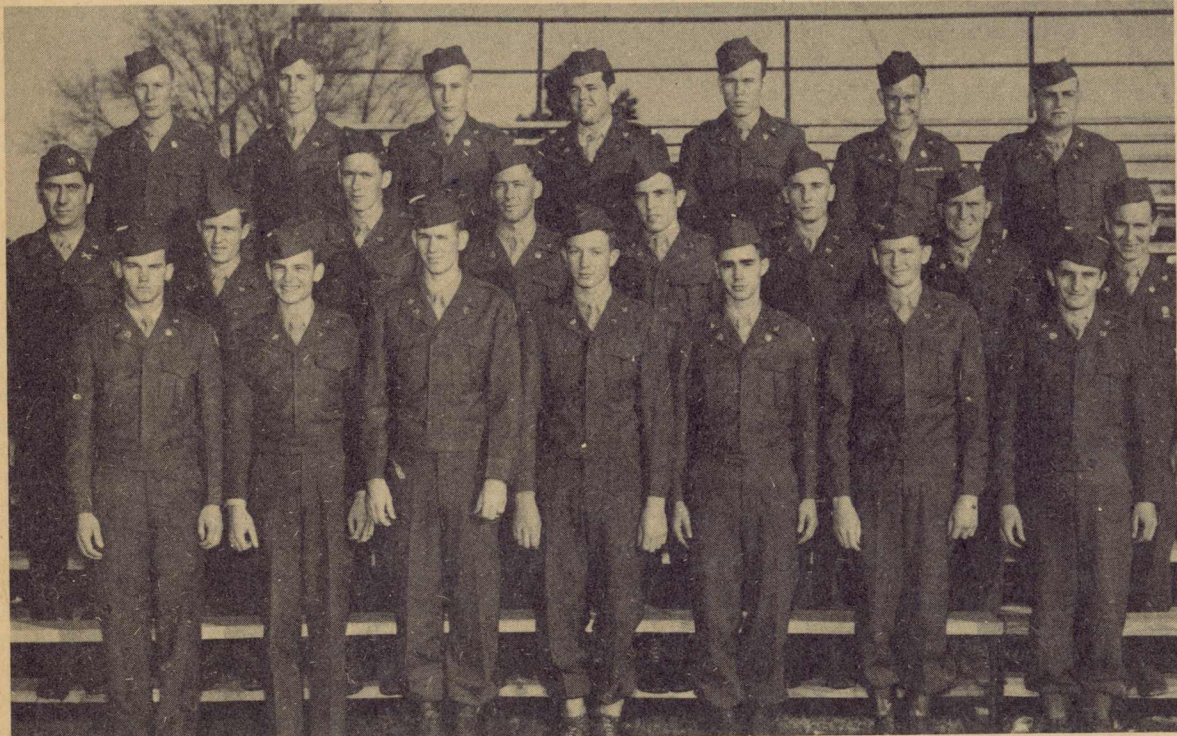
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## World Crisis Disrupts School Program

### East Central National Guard Members



Front row—left to right: Herman Robinson, Jack Partridge, Howard Sessums, Billy Gatewood, Jack Adams, Jimmy Keahey, Hassel C. Jenkins. Middle Row. Capt. L. D. Ferguson, Joe Shepherd, Denver Bracey, J. P. Hurst, Billy Williamson, Kenneth Blackburn, William J. McElhenney, Travis L. Cates. Back row: Merrill Turner, S. F. Carlisle, Bob Lasseter, Otis Cooksey, Jacob R. Gibbs, Carl O. Jackson, Mose Muse.

### "March of Dimes" To Begin Soon

The March of Dimes drive, to be sponsored by the Tom-Tom, is scheduled for January 23-31.

This annual appeal for money to combat infantile paralysis is of interest to everyone. Each year students from the five counties of this district are placed in competition with each other and with the faculty in raising funds for fighting the dreaded disease of polio.

1950 brought a total of 389 cases of polio to Mississippi, the largest number in the history of our state. National headquarters of the National Foundation for

### New Courses Offered For Second Semester

Registration for the second semester begins Saturday, January 20. Many changes have been made in the schedule.

A special program is being offered for the boys who are eligible for military service that will give them opportunities for further schooling after entering service. Mr. Roberts, Dean, states that there are some opportunities for people in business, teaching, and even music; but the majority of the boys are going to find that their knowledge in science and mathematics are particularly important, especially if they are trained technically in one field of electricity, motor mechanics, radio and communication.

On the basis of the facts as mentioned, three courses in physics is being offered next semester. The first one is a three-hour course in general physics; the second is a five-hour course which includes electricity, magnetism, light, sound, radio, and modern physics; the third course is designed primarily for people anticipating entering military service. Students may take either the phase dealing with electricity or the one dealing with radio, and receive credit on either or both. In addition to physics, courses in practical auto mechanics and

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Infantile Paralysis has sent \$125,000 this year to Mississippi to provide help for Chapters who have used all their local funds.

Whenever polio strikes, a National Foundation Chapter is there ready to help. Four out of every five persons stricken by polio receive help from the National Foundation.

Though it is essentially a child's disease, infantile paralysis is no respecter of persons. In recent years this disease has stricken both college students and adults in increasingly large numbers. By wholeheartedly supporting the March of Dimes drive, each student can help fight polio.

### Nineteen Students, Receive Diplomas At End Of Semester

Fifteen College students and four high school students are candidates for diplomas to be awarded at the end of this semester.

Of the fifteen graduates from East Central, twelve are making plans for continuation of their formal education. Jean Brown Irby, Annie Lee James and Louie Weatherford expect to enroll at Mississippi College. Mississippi

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### Let's Not Fail Them!

(Editorial)

Maybe it's the young man's place to protect this country in this time of war, and maybe it is he who is supposed to sacrifice most in time of national emergency, but it seems to this writer that the home front ought to at least assume the obligation of appreciation.

In a few days a large number of East Central students, both past and present, will be leaving to become part of the United States Army. They don't want to go. Denver Brackeen, Howard Sessums, Herman Robinson and J. P. Hurst had rather stay here and play basketball. S. F. Carlyle and Jack Partridge would prefer to remain and continue to head the B.S.U. and F.T.A., respectively. Captain Ferguson, I'm sure likes teaching math better than army life. All of them are happier here attending school and pursuing their various occupations than they will be in the army. Yet they are going. They are going because the leaders of this country feel they are needed to protect their homeland and ours.

It would be a crying shame if these boys were allowed to go without a show of appreciation. Maybe plans will have already been made by the time this is published, but if they haven't, someone needs to get busy. A big, really big, party is in order and if it isn't given them, the home-front will be failing in an obligation.

It has been rumored that the National Guard will be invited to the Sophomore party. This is not sufficient; If this night

### Alerted Guard Unit Takes Twenty Boys From Student Body

Service Battery, 932nd Artillery Battalion, 31st Infantry Division; the local National Guard unit, was alerted December 16, and informed that it would be inducted into Federal Service on January 16.

This battery consists of three officers, one warrant officer, and seventy-eight enlisted men, twenty of whom are attending East Central this semester.

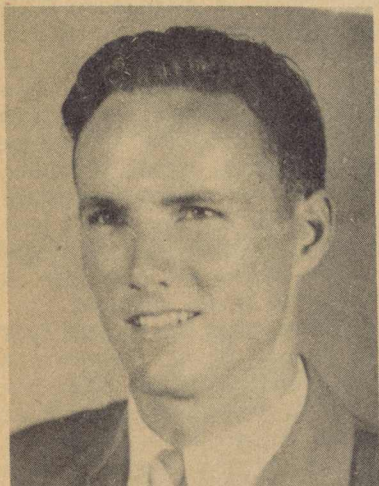
This unit, along with all of the units belonging to the 31st Division, which is made up of units from Mississippi and Alabama, will be in camp at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. They will travel by train with the exception of those few who go by private automobiles and those who will be drivers for the motor convoy.

The men have been drilling three times a week since they have been alerted. They will be on a full-time basis here from January 16 to the time of their departure to camp. During this time the men will be living on the campus.

The loss of the students and Captain Ferguson will be a serious blow to the school and faculty. Especially will the basketball team be injured by the loss of three of its first team members. Captain Lynn D. Ferguson,

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is the only one available, change the party for sophomores into one for the National Guard, get contributions from classes, individual students, and teachers and give the boys the send-off they deserve.

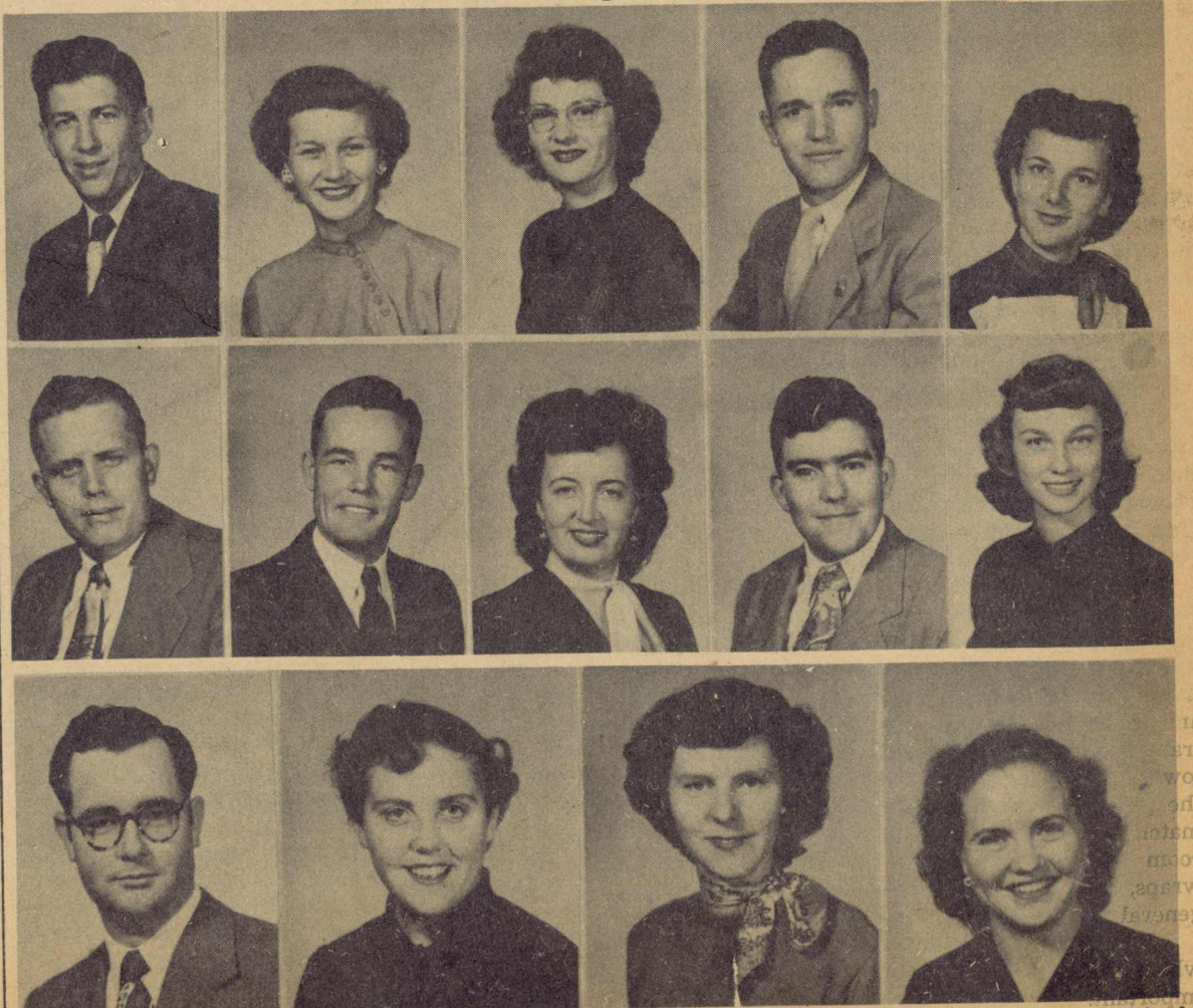


### Johnny Jones Is Named New Business Manager

Johnny Jones has been named Business Manager of the Tom-Tom, succeeding Bill Phillips who has been appointed to West Point. Johnny begins his duties the second semester. His main jobs will be to sell ads and to promote sales of the Tom-Tom.

Johnny is a sophomore at East Central Junior College, coming to the college from Sebastopol High School. While in high school he was salutatorian of his class. Johnny plans, after his graduation from East Central, to attend Ole Miss where he will study pharmacy.

### Mid-Term College Graduates



Top row, left to right: W. S. Donald, Louise Smith Chaney, Blanche Wiggins, Louie Weatherford. Second row: Willie Thompson, Donald Rawson, Jean Brown Irby, Johnnie Presley, Joann Johnson. Bottom row: Elwin Norris, Elon Mitchell, Mary Frank Johnson and Annie Lee James.



THE TOM-TOM	
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**"Good Luck Boys!"**

So you're entering military service? Well, you're not unique. You and the others like you who are entering the various branches of service constitute a group whose leaving is going to knock a big hole in the enrollment of East Central Junior College.

It is customary at a time like this, I believe, for writers and speakers to drag out the old, well-used patriotic speeches designed to inspire in you the lofty ideals of patriotism and loyalty and to fill you to over-flowing with an eagerness to get in the fight for "the Good Old U. S. A." This is one editor, however, who doesn't think you'd be very receptive to any emotional appeal of this sort. If you are of the mind I think you are, you are having a hard time finding reasons for a willingness, much less an eagerness, to give up a part of your life to military service. You're not particularly mad at anybody and you're pretty well fed up with the way your leaders have been handling, or mishandling, this nation's affairs.

However, as you are leaving for military service, I would say to you that your nation and as a result, your ideals and loved ones are confronted with dangers in the face of which, if you cannot be eager, you must be resolved. We face a real danger and the sacrifices you are called upon to make are made necessary by this danger. If you're not just "itching" to get a shot at a Communist, you must agree that armed aggression must be stopped in some way. If you're not happy over serving in the army, you must reconcile yourself by the fact that an army is necessary. If you don't agree with the methods your country is using in preparing itself for the possible emergency, you must admit that preparedness is the only road to survival.

East Central will miss you. It will miss you for the reason that you represent a pretty big part of its enrollment, its clubs, its organizations, and its athletic teams. We all hate to see you go because your leaving brings the grim reality of war to our very doorsteps. Many regret your leaving most of all because you are to them friends and sweethearts. You may be sure that we all respect and appreciate you for the job you're setting out to do and wish for you the best of luck!

—ECJC—

**Don't Forget "Minor" Details . . .**

East Central Junior College is a college which stands for progress. This has been emphasized by the fact that much renovation has been done along with the big building projects that have taken place.

We must realize that while major construction is taking place, it is often easy to overlook minor things—things which, although they may appear as a minor detail, are really very important in over-all appearance of a campus.

However, here on our campus the importance of improving in the field of so-called minor things has been shown—this statement is proved true if one will merely look around and see the daily work being done here. Two things done recently that add to the improvement of our campus were the painting of the student center and Room 30 in the Administration Building. These places painted in soft colors prove that only a little work done can make a place so much more attractive and inviting to the eye.

For an administration which has seen the need of improvement along this line and have launched out in an effort to accomplish that goal, we are indeed grateful!

We are sure that given sufficient time other "little" things that need to be done which would greatly improve our campus will likewise be taken care of. Take for instance the offices in the student center. These nice new rooms only lack a little painting to be almost perfect. Then, too, since room 30 in the Administration Building was painted, everyone is eager for the other rooms to be fixed just as attractively as this one.

One important detail it seems to us, that has been missed so far is the painting and renovating of the girls' and boys' lavatories, through the installation of just a few fixtures which would make those facilities really convenient and up-to-date in an otherwise truly modern school. To mention a few of these which would amount to little in the way of expense, what about white enamel-framed mirrors and paper towel containers, kept filled with the towels, soap containers filled with that necessary article, and, in the girls' at least a simple dressing table with mirror, painted to match the other fixtures, along with rods and hangers in the outer room to accommodate the day students with a place for parking wraps, etc.? Such an improvement would contribute greatly to the general improvement, if one takes time to notice.

I believe that in anticipation of the evaluation of our school which is to take place soon, these "minor" details would be quite important. However, I think that a big hearty "thanks" should be given our administration for the cooperation and willing helpfulness along this line that they have already given to us.

**What About A Scholarship Fraternity?**

East Central, a college that believes in having clubs and organizations to fit the needs and ambitions of its students, is falling behind some of the other Junior Colleges of our state in one way—we do not have a Scholarship Fraternity!

There are many students on our campus making honor grades who would like to see this certain organization—Scholarship Fraternity—materialize. Not only would this be appreciated by our students, but it would also raise our college in the estimation of other colleges.

This Scholarship Fraternity of Junior Colleges called Phi Theta Kappa would be an organized group of students making honor grades who might meet together for fellowship and discussion. Too, they may undertake certain projects that would benefit the college as well as themselves.

Some question has been raised by patrons of the school to the Administration concerning the recognition accorded achievement in scholarship in comparison with that given along other lines.

Having a Scholarship Fraternity for these students would give them the honor and prestige they deserve. Why can't East Central Junior College add such an organization to its planned program?

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**You May Not Be Drafted!**

Possibly the recent wave of volunteers from E.C.J.C. for various branches of the armed forces was more due to a lack of interest in school than it was to a fear of getting drafted, but, in some cases, a true understanding of existing conditions would have led students to stay in school. Here are a few facts which should be of interest to any prospective volunteer.

The present law states that college students who are called by the draft may be reclassified if their quality point average is 2.17 or they may have their induction postponed until the end of school if they are doing satisfactory work. This means that, if your grades are of a C plus average, when this term is over, you will still have the opportunity of joining the branch of service of your choice.

Congress will probably change the law, but every indication is that some provision will be made which will allow college students, who have good grades and who are enrolled in certain curriculums, to continue their education. The National Education Association stands firmly behind such a provision and will carry a lot of weight in swaying Congressional opinion. The following is an excerpt from a report of a committee from that organization:

"The present World-Wide struggle presents entirely new problems of national security. This is a long-range struggle, not merely an all-out war for a brief period. The national policy must take this basic fact into consideration. Success in the struggle of the nation for the future, requires a continuing flow of trained personnel for many facets of leadership and citizenship necessary to keep the nation stable and strong." These sentiments are heard from many corners and will undoubtedly be reflected in the action of Congress. President Truman, in his State of the Union message, called for legislation to increase the flow of trained personnel into some of the scientific fields.

If you are in school, look before you leap. Things may not be nearly as dark as they look, and you may stand a good chance of being allowed to continue your education.

**Roving Reporter**  
on  
**'Shall I Volunteer?'**

With the world situation being foremost in everyone's minds today, the pertinent question is asked, "Is it wise for a boy of draft age to volunteer for service before he is drafted?" After observing students in the student center and elsewhere and listening to their conversations concerning the pros and cons of this very debatable question, I pass their opinions on to you.

Glen Eaves commenting on this question says that a person should certainly stay in school as long as possible and above all he should not volunteer. He thinks that everyone will have an opportunity to show his fighting ability so why not wait until his turn comes.

Jack Kilgore says, "I think school is a hard place but I have talked to a lot of veterans and they all say that school is a fine place compared to military service. My advice is to stay out as long as you can."

After thirty-seven months in the last war, Mr. H. Keith Slothower thinks it would be more patriotic for a boy to stay in school and get as much education as he can before enlisting without thinking it through.

Denver Brackeen, who will be leaving with the National Guard in the near future, advises all the boys of draft age not to join anything, but try to stay out of the service as long as possible. As an after thought he adds, "But I would join something rather than be in the infantry."

Dwight Rivers is of the same opinion of practically everyone else. He thinks it would be better to stay in school as long as possible. By as long as possible he meant until you get your call, and then he thinks you should volunteer.

Billy Williamson who joined the National Guard after it was called out now passes on to others what he thinks is the worst think to do. He says, "I think everyone should stay at home with their mamas, and not even join the Boy Scouts. They might be called out too."

After talking to Rev. A. M. Ellison, I found out that he, too, thinks that the boys should not enlist. He said since we are now in the early stages of the world conflict, everyone will probably have an opportunity to serve in the military service. He feels that there is no virtue at all in volunteering.

Phillip Hutton comments briefly but dynamically, "Go to school."

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**In My Opinion**  
By ELWIN NORRIS

Well, dear readers, this is the last time that your old opinion man will come to you in the Tom-Tom. It is with a mixture of sadness and happiness that I leave the halls of ECJC with her friendly students. However, life can't stand still, and, therefore, it must move on to I know not what. If one stands still and refuses to ever press forward even though the future is uncertain, then life isn't worth living. It is far better to move forward and meet with failure than to stand still and grow old too soon. In the first case you learn how to avoid future failures, in the last you learn nothing and die. So forward we move, trusting our Holy Father to keep us safe from harm.

I am happy to say that in my opinion ECJC has moved forward in many cases, but I am sorry to say that in a few she has not. Here are a few of the things in which she has moved forward:

a beautiful new cafeteria and a breathtaking student center, both so beautiful that it is hard to realize that ECJC really has them; the gymnasium has been enlarged and improved; a poultry department has been added to agricultural curriculum; the general conduct of students has improved and many more advances too numerous to mention have taken place.

Since we already have the good things, let's leave them alone now and talk about some of the things that we need or things that need improving.

The first on that list would be a good band. A school without a band just isn't a school and I hope that this year will be the only year that ECJC will fail to have one. In one of my former columns I suggested that band members be given some form of compensation for the time spent performing and rehearsing. This compensation could take the form of scholarships or jackets or both. ECJC will never have a large, good band without this.

Another thing that is sadly needed is student government. One objection to this might be that we are too small for it, but several other junior colleges have it. Since we are regarded as one of the largest and most important junior colleges, why shouldn't we have student government. Student Government would remove a good deal of the burden of administering school rules from the shoulders of a few faculty members. It would also insure the student body a more fair and equalized administration of school rules for both boys and girls alike. Some improvement would certainly be welcome here.

At the present time we have a rule which says that one club's activities cannot interfere with another club's regularly scheduled meetings. This has not been enforced at all as pertaining to certain clubs. This is certainly not fair and does not show respect to other clubs, their members, officers, or advisors. Let's Play Fair.

I am glad to hear that there is some talk of offering compensation for Tom-Tom workers for their time. This will take the form of a one-hour credit per semester. This will help the Tom-Tom and the staff members also.

The Radio Club has done a wonderful job this year, but I hear that it could do a much better job if they had more equipment. I understand that some improvement within the club could be born, also. Every person within the club should be given an equal opportunity to show his or her talent. The club should use only the people within the club for their announcers and programs, except, of course, when another club or department has charge for one week's program. The club represents the college on the air; therefore it should be much improved.

I believe that the student body in general would appreciate a visual and acoustical improvement in our auditorium. Those sitting in the back can hardly see or hear our assembly programs.

The physical education department should be better equipped for a more varied physical education program. The department should be systemetized with a plan for really giving the student something worthwhile in physical education.

These are only a few of the larger things that need improving; there are many small things that may pop into various minds. However, I think these few will do to concentrate on for a time.

Dear Readers, in saying goodbye to you for the last time, I can only hope that in these uncertain times that you will trust the Power that I must to keep you safe from harm

Adios, amigos, hasta la vista.



# Social Highlights

Mr. and Mrs. John James Woodward have announced the marriage of their daughter, Martha, to Mr. Francis Rudolph Daly. The wedding took place December 28 at Louisville, Miss. Mrs. Daly is a graduate of East Central Junior College.

Miss Ina Faye Simmons was united in marriage to Mr. Buddy Lee on Thursday, December 28 at high noon in the Morton Baptist Church, Morton, Mississippi. Mrs. Lee is a graduate of the 1950 class of East Central.

Miss Bonnie Morrow spent this week end with Miss Betty Pane in Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Irby spent the week end in Stonewall, visiting relatives.

Miss Carolyn Fulton was the week end guest of Jacqueline Adkins of Union.

Miss Billy Jewel Thrash of Sebastopol had as guests in her home, Misses Dewanda Weatherford, and Margaret McKinney. She entertained with a dinner party honoring her guests and Doyle Waldrop, Jimmy Keahey and Tommy Hill.

Miss Jan Weems of Forest visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Weems of Jackson during the holidays.

Joe Blanco spent the three climaxing days of the Christmas holidays with the family of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Boggan.

## Miss Jean Stubbs Is December Bride

Miss Jean Stubbs was married to Shannon Townsend December 3. The vows were exchanged in the Pelahatchie Baptist Church with The Rev. McDonald officiating. The only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones.

Mrs. Townsend is at school at East Central until the end of the first semester. Mr. Townsend is stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. James Johnson returned with her husband to Hollandale, Miss., Dec. 26, where he is employed by the REA. She returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson December 30, where she remained for the week end before resuming her studies at East Central.

Miss Pat Williamson spent the Christmas holidays with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Monroe of Hickory.

Miss Betty Payne spent the past week-end with Bonnie Morrow of Carthage.

Miss Mary Ann and Sammy Harbour went to Montgomery, Alabama, Dec. 22 and spent the Christmas holidays with their mother, Mrs. G. W. Furr.

Miss Polly Crenshaw spent last week--end in the dormitory with Edwina Breazeale.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Smith and Ethelene of Houlika and Mrs. Milton Shelton of Houston, visited Dot Smith Tuesday and attended the Decatur-Ellisville basketball game.

Miss Wanda Vance visited Mrs. C. L. Harrison of Laurel during Christmas holidays.

Miss Syble White visited her sister, Mrs. Carson Key of Yazoo during Christmas.

Miss Betty Pane visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clay, in Tuscaloosa, Ala., during the Christmas holidays.

## Sophomore Party To Be Gala Event In Gymnasium

Plans are underway for the sophomore party to be held in the college gymnasium Friday night, January 19, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Newsome and Mr. Terrill.

Immediately following the ball-games, the sophomores will join in games, dancing, fun and refreshments.

Appointed by the president, Don

## Wright-Browning, United in Marriage During Holidays

Miss Pat Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wright of Louisville, was united in marriage to Leonard Browning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Browning, December 22, in the First Baptist Church of Louisville. Rev. James Fairchild officiated in the presence of the immediate families.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Frank White, and Mr. Frank White attended the groom as best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Browning are both graduates of the Louisville High School and are at the present attending East Central Junior College. Mrs. Browning plans to continue her studies while Mr. Browning plans to join the United States Navy at the end of the first semester.

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## Miss Anna Watson, Decatur Graduate, Weds Leroy Allen

Miss Anna Jean Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Harold Watson of Louisville, became the bride of Walter Leroy Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie C. Allen of Louisville December 30. The vows were exchanged in the home of the officiating minister, Rev. James Fairchild. The mothers of the couple and their attendants, Mr. and Mrs. John Lee were the only one present.

After the wedding trip Mrs. Allen returned to her work at the Bank of Louisville. She was a graduate of Louisville High School and East Central Junior College. At East Central she was active in campus activities, especially the Dramatic Club in which she was selected "Actress of the Year" in 1950.

Mr. Allen returned to the University of Mississippi where he is to receive his B. S. degree in accounting next June.

## Miss Phyllis Hatch Weds Elbert Harbour In Church Ceremony

The Hillsboro Methodist Church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Phyllis Amelia Hatch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hatch of Hickory and Elbert Earl Harbour, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Harbour of Union.

Rev. Edgar Gemeny and Rev. Smith officiated in the ceremony at one P. M.

The bride was attended by Misses Bettie McGee, Lola Harbour and Elizabeth Nester. The flower girl was little Amelia Mae Hatch.

Mr. Donald Rawson attended the groom as best man. Grooms-men were Hanson Harbour, Grayson McMullan and Bobby Tucker.

After the holidays the bride returned to East Central, where she is enrolled in the Freshman class. The groom returned to Mississippi State to resume his studies as a junior in that institution. At the end of the first semester Mrs. Harbour will join her husband in school at Starkville.

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## Dot Phillips Wins 'Miss Stardust' Cont.

Dot Phillips, former student of East Central, is Mississippi's finalist in the eighth annual "Miss Stardust" contest.

An announcement from headquarters in New York City states that Dot won over several hundred contenders from Mississippi. The contest attracted more than

Rawson, for the purpose of planning the party are: Joella Chipley, chairman, Louise Ware, Janiece Smith, Nancy Kirkpatrick, Wilmer Fulton and Norman Thomas.

## Faculty Facts . . .

The outstanding "fact" in the experience of the faculty during the preceding month has been the Christmas holidays and the form which their various vacations took.

During Christmas Holidays Miss Eunice Ellou, a member of the National Women's Aquatic Forum went to Hollywood, Fla. This organization, composed of swimming coaches and swimming personnel from the United States, Hawaii, Australia, Egypt, England and Canada meets at its headquarters in Hollywood, Florida each year at Christmas time. Thirty-five states were represented and thirty-two colleges and universities had representation participating. While there, Miss Ellou gave lectures and demonstrations on swimming. The program ended in a water show entitled "Holiday in Swim-time," in which Miss Silou performed. She also gave some ballet numbers in other water shows at Miami Beach and in Hollywood.

Mrs. Grace S. Gardner spent Christmas with Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. Benjamin Gardner, in Key West, Florida. Leaving her son's and sunny Florida, she returned to Collins, Miss. where she spent New Years Eve and New Years day with her daughter, Mrs. I. S. Peek, and family.

The L. D. Fergusons went to 40,000 entries from all over the world.

Judges never see the contestants in person, which makes it a unique contest. Those who enter merely submit photographs of themselves with statistics on height, weight, waist, hip and bust measurements.

As a state winner, Dot is now eligible for the grand national prize of \$500 in cash, a modeling and television contract, and an all-expense trip to New York City.

Dot is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Phillips of the Zephyr Hill Community.

Murray, Kentucky on a visit with Mr. Furgerson's parents for the Christmas holidays. Their visit was shortened because of National Guard duty to which Mr. Furgerson had to return.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Roberts stopped at Pontotoc, Miss., to visit her brother Lt. Col and Mrs. W. W. Holmes, on their trip to Kentucky at Christmas time. They spent Christmas day with Mr. Robert's family at Ekron, Ky., and from there drove to Northern Kentucky, where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert's relatives. They report that the temperature was low and that the streets were slippery with ice. They returned home early because of illness.

Mr. H. Keith Slothower, after spending six days at his home in Warren, Illinois, flew to New York for the National Speech Convention. While in New York, he saw three outstanding Broadway plays—"South Pacific", "Peter Pan" and "King Lear."

Mrs. Janie Sullivan visited Mr. Walter Huff, her son and his family, and her sister, Mrs. S. F. Carlisle, Sr. at Collins, Mississippi on Christmas day. The rest of her vacation she stayed on the campus with her daughter, Miss Grace Huff, as her guest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker Jr. spent the Christmas holidays in Algood and Sparta, Tenn. with their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker Sr. and Mrs. W. L. Swallows. While in Tennessee, Mrs. Walker was a guest at a luncheon, along with several other friends, given at the home of Mrs. Fred Moore in Algood.

Miss Una Harris visited her family in Johnson City, Tenn., during the holidays. She reports that the most impressive feature of her holidays was the temperature of 15 degrees above.

Miss Ethel Burton spent the holidays in Alabama. She spent Continued on Page 4

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## Boys Are Supposed To Be Brave Says Philosophical Young Fry

By WALTERINE HERRINGTON

Reddish blond hair, a pair of twinkling blue eyes, a quick smile with dimples to capture any girl's heart, a three-year old bundle of energy that's never exhausted—that's Billie Walker.

Though Billie still has difficulty with his r's and s's, he is a prominent figure on the ECJC Campus. This pet of the girls and delight of the boys is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker, who are both members of the faculty.

The day I had a visit with Billie, he was still full of the Christmas spirit. All dressed up in a Roy Rogers cowboy hat which "Is bigger than Linda Ferguson's 'cause boys are supposed to have bigger hats than girls", with a red bandanna tied around his neck, and not one, but two six shooters on his belt, he eagerly showed me his prized treasures—a toy filling station with six cars, a Hopalong Cassidy bill-fold with two pennies in it (he's going to buy a Buick with the money), a red fire truck with a siren (he said he must take good care of this because Santa Clause might run out and not have any next year.)

After I had carefully examined all of these, we settled down to talk of a more serious nature. When he grew up, Billy immediately answered, "I'm going to be an engineer, not one on a puff puff train but on a bong bong train." What a bong bong train is I don't exactly know, but I'm sure that any train driven by Billie will be headed for an exciting ride.

One of Billie's favorite people is Tip Canady; Billie likes the way Tip plays football and he thinks Tip is brave to go hunting and shoot a big gun—in other words, Billie thinks Tip is wonderful. While Billie was showing me how Tip kicked a football, I asked him if he wanted to grow up to be a good football player like Tip. He quickly answered, "I'm going to grow up and play WITH Tip. He's going to kick the



BILLY WALKER

ball way, way down the field and we will run, run, run!"

Seeing a balloon that looked like a snake, we then got off on a discussion of those creatures. Billie related an exciting experience he had had when "John Grace gave me a stick and let me kill a snake, and I hit and hit him until he was dead." When I exclaimed over his bravery and added that I would have been so scared, Billie straightened up, smiled knowingly and consoled me with this fact, "Well, it WAS just a little bitty snake. Anyway, girls are supposed to be afraid, but boys are supposed to be brave."

Girls, Billie's "on the loose!" He's looking for a new girl friend since Suzanne Simmons moved away. Now girls (especially you "National Guard girls") let's not storm Billie's home; for he is a very choicy young gentleman. He thought he had found a suitable girl just the other day, but rejected her just because "she is too little." In my opinion any one who finds her way into Billie's heart will be a very lucky little girl to have such a cute, brave, individual boy-friend.

girl athlete, Eddie Ray Loper; cutest girl, Mary Frances Eason; most intellectual boy, Durwood Vance; most intellectual girl, Euner Lee Griffin; friendliest boy Clifton Thornton; and friendliest girl, Shirley Brand.

For favorites, the students chose eight people, who during their school days together have become, as the title signifies, favorites on the campus. The boys who were chosen for this were Buner Griffin, Carl Lee Hollingsworth, Albert Williamson, and Ernest Thomas and the girls chosen were Patsy Johnson, Murlene Bedwell, Patsy Williamson and Elaine Spence.

## 'Tish' Is Chosen As Senior Play

Mr. H. Keith Slothower has chosen TISH, by Mary Roberts Rhineheart, a delightful Broadway comedy of a number of years ago, as the senior play—for the current semester. This play is known to be one of the best of its kind and an ideal play for the Senior Class.

The story is told in many humorous episodes about three old maids who take a trip for no apparent reason into the great South West where they have many wild adventures. The ring leader of this small party of adventures is, of course, Tish.

Although the exact date of the production is uncertain, it will be given in the month of May.

Tryouts for the selection of members of the cast will begin shortly after the second semester opens.

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MARTHA MAYES

## Decatur High Senior Receives Certificate For Poem, "Sunset"

Martha Mayes, senior at Decatur High, has received a certificate from the National High School Poetry Association, showing that her poem, "Sunset", has been accepted for publication in the Annual Anthology of High School Poetry.

Martha, who was recently elected Miss Decatur High, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Mayes of Conehatta. For four consecutive years she has held the office of class secretary. She is a member of the Y-Teens, Secretary-Treasurer of F.H.A. and plays guard on Decatur's first team basketball squad. Her name is invariably found under Honor Roll or Honorable Mention.

Each year the National High School Poetry Association extends an invitation to Junior and Senior High School students to submit as many manuscripts as they wish for consideration for inclusion in the Annual Anthology of High School Poetry. The poetry submitted must be original and it is suggested that the work be done under classroom supervision.

There are twenty-three Anthologies, one for each state or section.

The winning verse submitted by Miss Mayes is as follows:

### SUNSET

Yesterday's sunset was as pure as gold;  
It shone round about the countryside,  
Filling my heart with wonders untold.

It gave a rare and wondrous shimmer  
To the coolness and quietness of the eve;  
Zeus with his powers was no greater a trimmer.

The farmer dropped his plow,  
now the day was o'er;  
He made his way, tired but hopeful, homeward,  
Glad of the sunset, though not an idolator.

The Night in rapidity came creep-

## What A Unique Experience!



MR. N. W. LANEY

## Experienced Veteran Gives "Low-Down" On Military Service

By JAN WEEMS

It was my pleasure on Friday, January 5th, to interview Mr. N. W. Laney, a 43 year-old veteran now attending college at ECJC. Mr. Laney can truly be called a "seasoned" veteran, having spent almost twenty-two years in the Marines (October, 1925 - July, 1947). During this time he saw a number of foreign countries, being out of the states for over twelve years, and was in forty-three of the forty-eight states.

The only real fighting action Mr. Laney saw while he was in the Marines took place during a three-year period spent in Nicaragua. There was in Nicaragua in 1926 a political uprising which threatened to result ultimately in a revolution to overthrow the Nicaraguan government then in power. An outfit of soldiers, of whom Mr. Laney was one, under the command of General Smedley Butler was sent immediately to Nicaragua to put down the revolution, if possible, and to protect American property and canal rights. "As you remember from your American history," explained Mr. Laney, "we had bought the Panama Canal only a few years before from the Nicaraguan government then in power. If this government had been overthrown, the new government could

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ing on;  
I closed my eyes for one brief moment  
And lo, the sunset had swiftly flown!

## Ec Sociology Class Visits Negro School

Have you ever visited a school for colored people? East Central's Sociology Class was given this unique experience on the afternoon of January 8, when the instructor, Mr. Thomas R. McCann, took the group for a tour of the local high school for negroes.

From the very beginning, the group was given an exceptionally favorable impression of the institution, its faculty and its students. On arrival, they were greeted by the Superintendent, Mr. Boler, who invited them into his private office. His sincerity and obvious pleasure at having the class as his guests very naturally made the venture much more enjoyable.

After inviting the eager young students into his office, Mr. Boler discussed the general set-up of the school. He expressed his appreciation of the equipment which they now have, although they are still without several needed things.

The faculty consists of twelve teachers, some of whom have masters degrees. Only four members of the faculty have not yet received degrees and they are working toward this goal.

Before leaving Mr. Boler's office, the group was invited to view the trophies, which had been won by various athletic groups, on display there. The superintendent seemed especially proud of the one won for sportsmanship last year.

By this time eyes were really being opened! The students next divided into smaller groups, according to their various interests. Different departments were then toured. Joella Chipley, a member of the Sociology class, observed the children of the first and second grades. She confided that there was no difference in methods of teaching in school for white and colored people.

During Joella's stay in the room, the first grade pupils were practicing reading. One small colored boy stood before the class holding a card with a word written on it. The child able to read the word

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Christmas day with relatives in Montgomery. The remainder of the time she spent in Calera with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Keahey went to Hattiesburg and Pachuta, where they visited with friends and relatives during their vacation. Mrs. Jerry Keahey of Pachuta was their guest for a few days recently.

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RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

With the calling to Federal Services of the 31st Division of the National Guard, East Central's basketball squad was hit pretty hard. Three first teamers as well as four other valuable men are being lost.

These men will not be too easily replaced either. To lose Denver Brackeen alone would be bad enough. Brackeen is considered by many as the best basketball player in the entire state—capable of making any college team in the nation; in fact, he has scholarship offers from many major colleges and universities of the nation.

Experienced Veteran . . .  
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have sold the canal and our railroads and property to someone else. After three years, our mission accomplished, we pulled out of Nicaragua."

During World War II Mr. Laney was overseas for three years. This time was spent in the South and Central Pacific and in Iceland where he was sergeant major of a combat outfit. Here he was engaged mostly in doing administrative and paper work, the duties of a sergeant major consisting mainly of supervising reports, records and the payroll.

Mr. Laney having had so much experience as a serviceman, there were several phases of thought concerning the present war situation and its problems about which I wanted to get his opinion. The conversation went something like this: "Mr. Laney, what do you think about so many of our boys joining certain branches of the armed forces before they are drafted?"

"I don't think there's anything to get excited about so far. I believe they should take it easy. The more education they have, the better off they will be, no matter what outfit they get into. In all branches of the service the boys are given work according to their I. Q.'s and according to the amount of work they have

Howard Sessums and Herman Robinson are two other first team men from last year's squad who will be badly missed. Robert Wall, who would have been eligible next semester, J. P. Hurst, Bob Lasseter, Joe Shepherd, and Lamar Molpus are also leaving Coach Arno Vincent's cage group.

Even with these leaving, a fair team is expected to be left, lacking only height. Jackie Etheridge and Richard Harris two of the first five will remain. Good prospects in the Warrior squad will be Sam Thomas, Charlie McMullan, William Pogue, Sam Rutigliano, and Bat Johnson.

completed in school. I wouldn't go so far as to advise them to join or not to join, however; it's really up to the individual. Personally, I would get all the education I could. I'm in the reserve, but I'm going to continue my education as long as possible, until they call me."

"I believe you told me earlier in the interview that you dropped out of high school to join the Marines, Mr. Laney. What do you think about boys returning to school after being in the service?"

"It's a little hard at first, but you can study better when you return from the service. You are more settled than you were when you were younger. When you get out of the service, you go to school strictly to learn, not for the social life offered. According to records, the grades of servicemen who returned to school after World War II were much better than they were before they joined the armed forces. I'm not advising anyone to join, you understand."

"Do you believe that a girl in love with a boy who has been drafted should or should not marry him before he leaves?"

"My honest opinion is that if both are in love, it's better to leave a widow than a sweetheart. If you don't trust a girl, you're not going to marry her anyhow. You see, there are so many things



C. G. RIVES



CHARLES DUFFEE

Duffee-Rives  
Make All-State  
On Second Team

Two East Central grid experts were named to hold positions on the 1950 All-State Second Team. Four other Warriors received honorable mention.

Charles Duffee, tail back and C. G. Rives, tackle, were named to hold second team positions.

Those receiving honorable mention from Decatur were W. S. Donald, end; Earl Williams, tail back; Bobby Price, guard; Sam Rutigliano, end, and Sam Miley, full back.

Duffee played his first year of college football this season while Rives has just completed his second season and will journey to Furman University in South Carolina on a scholarship to continue his college and football career.

W. S. Donald and Earl Williams have completed two seasons of college football. Price, Rutigliano and Miley are eligible for another year of grid action at East Central.

that being in the service offers you a chance to do for a girl when you marry her that you couldn't do otherwise—such as educating her or sending her money. I think you should have known the girl a long time, though. I certainly disapprove of hasty marriages."

"Well, how do you feel about girls going into the service, Mr. Laney?"

"A position in the armed forces is, in my opinion, one of the most honorable a woman can hold. And, you know, I found that girls do much better office work than boys. They're so much more conscientious. Life in the armed forces isn't such a bad one for a girl. Her work is well-supervised with good hours and she is well-protected in her social life by stiff regulations. In fact, a girl has to have a good character before she will be accepted into the service. All the girls I met in uniform were girls you wouldn't mind being seen with in public."

"I think that covers everything I had planned to ask you. Thanks very much Mr. Laney, for a very pleasant half hour filled with useful information and some wonderful opinions."

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A woman may put on a riding habit and never go riding; she may put on a bathing suit and never go swimming—but when a woman puts on a wedding gown she means business.

Warriors Defeat Ellisville Five

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correctly was given the card and allowed to keep it. Joella stated that she was really amazed at the reading ability of both the first and second grades.

One incident which especially attracted the interest of all the college students also occurred during the reading lesson of the first grade pupils. As the small child who had been awarded the card stepped forward to receive it, he was so desirous of making his triumph known to all the college students that his progress toward the front of the classroom was considerably hindered by the constant turning of his little kinky head to see if everyone was watching. Naturally, the visiting students followed him with eager eyes as he grasped the treasure in his hand and scampered back to his seat.

Donald Rawson, another member of the ociology class and a Social Science major, was rather shocked to walk into the Social Science Department and find the students there engaged in doing research work very similar to that done by his own Sociology class. This department is headed by an instructor with a master's degree.

According to the individuals who made up the visiting group, the project was well worthwhile. The sentiment of the entire class can be adequately expressed in Joella's statement. "I wish we could have stayed all day," as she remembered the little curly-haired negro boy so proud of the education he was getting.

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Nineteen Students . . .  
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Southern College will claim four East Centralers—Joann Johnson, Mary Frank Johnson, Dewanda Weatherford and Blanche Wiggins. Elwin Norris has chosen

Last Game Of Season  
For Three Cagers

In a fast, high scoring cage game, the East Central Warriors defeated a scrappy Ellisville five 90 to 52 last Tuesday night. This was the last game before three of the first team going into active service because of National Guard rulings.

One hundred and forty-two points were scored in this game as Pogue took high scoring honor for Decatur; Selis was high scorer for the Jones squad. East Central led at half time 43 to 33.

Denver Brackeen, all star of last season, Howard Sessums, second teamer on last season's All Star team, and Herman Robinson showed expert skill in ball handling and marksmanship in this their last game in the Warrior gymnasium.

East Central's sextet defeated Jones' lassies in the preliminary girls game as Joan Meador took high scoring honor.

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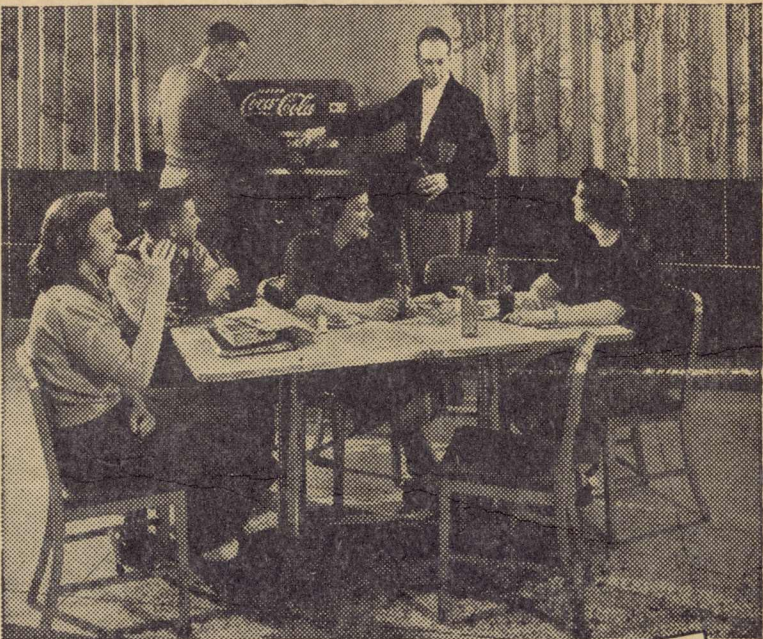
Anderson College, Anderson, Ind. for the furtherance of his college education and W. S. Donald will enroll at Delta State Teachers College after graduation here. Donald Rawson and Willie Thompson are making plans to enter Mississippi State College.

John Meaders has enlisted in the Air Force. Elon Mitchell plans to go to Washington, D. C. where she will do clerical work. Louise Smith Chaney will accompany her husband to Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

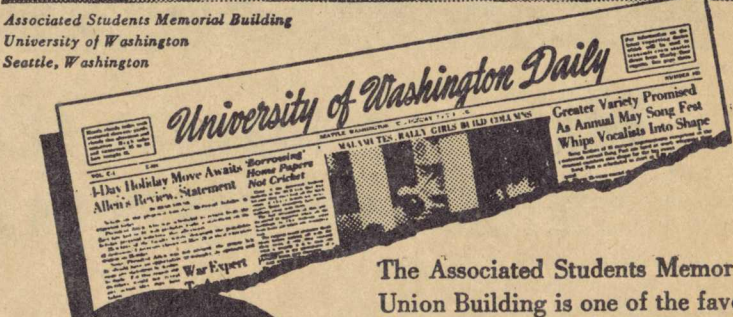
The four high school graduates have made distinct plans for the future. Mozelle Cumberland and Albert Williamson plan to work following their graduation. Martha Ann McMullan will continue at the local college, while Robert Lee Massey will join the Air Force.

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SARA AYCOCK

### Miss Sara Aycock Succeeds Carlisle As BSU Secretary

Sarah Aycock has been named BSU president to succeed S. P. Carlisle, a member of the recently alerted National Guard. She has already assumed her duties.

Members of the BSU express their opinion that Sarah will carry out the duties of the office well.

Miss Aycock was formerly vice-president of the organization and is an active participant in religious affairs on the campus.

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### Alert Guard . . . . . Continued from Page 1

commanding officer of the group, was Registrar and a teacher in the Math Department of East Central.

The group is receiving contributions from the entire county to furnish their day room at camp.

Men included in this unit are Capt. Lynn D. Furgerson, 1st Lt. Margel G. James, 2nd Lt. William D. Bailey, Warrant Officer, Thos. D. Cook, M-Sgt. Stanley N. McCraney, Sgts., 1-class Billy G. Chaney, Aubrey L. Meaders, Jack Partridge; Sgts. Robert L. Blass, Marshall H. Carleton, Roscoe B. Marshall, Jeff Pierce, Ezra E. Stephens, Henry L. Trest, William C. allace, Edwin C. Walters, John S. Webb.

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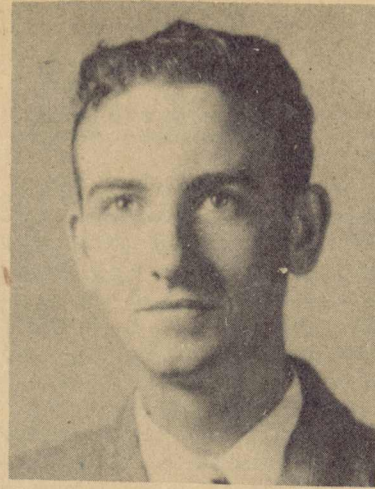
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"Eighteen, nineteen, and twenty year olds," says Truman Hollaway, "should absolutely stay in school. Everyone will have an opportunity, so why rush things."

Billy Tidwell states, "I think if boys have the opportunity to go to school, they should do so, but they should join the branch of service of their preference before they get their call rather than be in the infantry."

The general advice of practically everyone is to stay out of the service as long as possible, and since intelligence will play a big part in this conflict, everyone should stay in school and gain as much knowledge as possible.



PERRY HAGGARD

### Former EC Grad Dies In Car Wreck

Perry Haggard, a former ECJC graduate, was killed instantly in an automobile accident January 1, one mile north of Hattiesburg. In the same accident two other former East Central students, Charmie Shaw and Betty Jane Bridges, were seriously injured.

Perry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Haggard of Louisville. He graduated from Louisville High School and entered East Central in the summer of 1948 where he graduated in the spring of 1950 with high honors, maintaining an honor roll average for the semester. Haggard was in the pre-medical curriculum and was

reporter of the Sigma Sigma Mu Tau. He was rated very highly by his teachers and greatly respected by the student body. On December 1, he enrolled at Mississippi Southern, continuing his work in pre-med.

These people, with two other students from Southern, were returning to school after spending the holidays with their parents. Haggard was returning to get his personal belongings as he was a member of the local National Guard.

Misses Bridges and Shaw were carried to a hospital in Hattiesburg and are reported to be improving; however they will not be able to complete this semester's work at Southern.

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### New Courses . . . . . Continued from Page 1

electricity may be available to students desiring to take them.

Other changes in the schedule include a course in journalism for the members of the Tom-Tom Staff in which credit will be awarded, debating and public address instead of advanced speech and art appreciation being changed to a three-hour course, and plans are being made for a course in Homemaking, awarding credit. The latter named course will be available to any student.

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## President Todd Visits Washington As Member of Junior College Committee

Dr. L. O. Todd, president of East Central Junior College, recently spent some time in Washington, where, as a member of



## Walterine Herrington Wins Chemistry Award

Walterine Herrington has been announced as the winner of the 1950-51 Freshman Achievement Award in the field of chemistry. This award is made annually to the freshman doing the best work in Freshman Chemistry first semester.

This is the second year this award has been made at East Central Junior College. This award is a copy of the thirty-second edition of the Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, which contains over three thousand pages of tables and other data useful to scientists in any field.

Walterine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. H. Herrington of Union, Mississippi. She attended Union High School and graduated with honors. She was valedictorian of her class and was the recipient of the Bausch Lomb Science Award.

Walterine is enrolled at East Central in the Pre-med curriculum. "Sissie", as she is popularly known among her intimate friends, is active in extra-curricular organizations as a member of The Tom-Tom staff, reporter for the Freshman Class, and secretary of the medical organization, Sigma Sigma Mu Tau. Although undecided as to where she will continue her education, she plans to be either a Pediatrician or a medical technician.

## "March Of Dimes" Closes February 1

The March of Dimes Drive, sponsored by the Tom-Tom, was brought to an official close February 1, with a total of \$34.38 being collected.

The drive was concentrated in three different areas, the faculty and the boys' and girls' dormitories. The faculty led in the amount collected, contributing a total of \$21.33, while \$7.85 was given by the girls of Jackson Hall. Total contribution of the boys was \$5.20.

People who were instrumental in directing the drive were: Barbara Nicholson, Margaret McKinney, Nancy Dell Herrington, Edna Hollingsworth, Nell Myatt, Barbara Husbands, Lamar Weems, Johnnie Jones, Virginia Reagen, Joann Meadors, Jan Weems, Dot Smith, Freda Gardner, and Nancy Walton.

the Committee of Junior College presidents, he was invited to present his views on the utilization of college facilities in relation to the present world situation and the universal military training program now under consideration by the Armed Service committees of Congress.

Dr. Todd was accompanied to the Capital by the heads of two other Mississippi Junior Colleges. President J. B. Young of Jones County Junior College and President J. M. Ewing of Copiah-Lincoln Junior College.

While in Washington, Dr. Todd worked with the National Education Association committee and submitted a statement presenting its position in regard to the draft proposals now before Congress and the relation of schools to the military effort. However, Dr. Todd stated that in all probability, no definite decisions concerning the draft laws will be announced before April or May. Congress will likely debate on the Universal Military training issue for the next several weeks. Nevertheless, all present plans call for the continued policy of selection of the more intelligent college boys for further education.

During his sojourn in Washington, Dr. Todd heard various well-known personalities testify before the Senate Committee, including General Omar Bradley, General George C. Marshall, secretary of Defense; Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, assistant secretary of Defense, and numerous other prominent persons. According to Dr. Todd, General Marshall emphasized the importance to the nation of maintaining a vigorous educational system and eliminating the unsettled conditions which have developed on many campuses.

Dr. Todd also had a conference with Senator Stennis and Representative Winstead during his stay in Washington and he stated that both legislators were extremely interested and helpful in working toward a solution of the problems facing college boys today.

One of the highlights of Dr. Todd's trip was the luncheon which he attended in the Pentagon Building, where approximately thirty thousand people are employed.

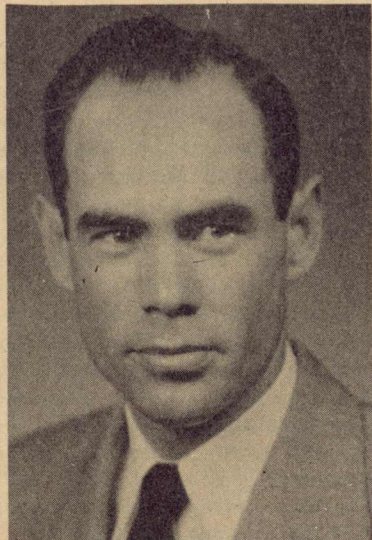
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## Girls' 'Open House' To Be February 13

The Jackson Hall open house is set for Tuesday night, February 13 from 6:15 to 8:00. Of particular interest in the occasion of this year's open house is the new addition to the dormitory.

Faculty members, their families, men students, and women students who do not live in the dormitory are invited to attend this occasion. All rooms will be on display, and the new rooms of the dormitory will then be open for the public to see.

One of the featured attractions of open house is to be a newly hung picture of Jackson Hall painted and given to the girls of Jackson Hall by Mr. Lawrence W. Becker, art professor, of East Central. Another is a portrait of Mrs. J. L. Jackson, who was dean of women at East Central for twenty-seven years



## Charles A. Carter Assumes Position As Business Manager

Charles A. Carter, an outstanding graduate of East Central Junior College and the University of Mississippi, has assumed his duties as Business Manager of East Central.

Mr. Carter graduated from East Central in 1943 and enlisted in the army. He was discharged from the army after attaining a First Lieutenant rating. In 1948 he enrolled at Ole Miss. He completed his requirements for the Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration in the same year and graduated with distinction. He served one year as Assistant Purchasing Agent at that institution. At the time he accepted the position as Business Manager, Mr. Carter had completed five semesters in law school and his present plans call for completing his course during the summer session. He recently became a Certified Public Accountant by being one of four out of seventy-two who passed the required test.

Mr. Carter is the only school business manager in the state who is a Certified Public Accountant.

and for whom the girls' dormitory (Jackson Hall) was named. This occasion will provide the first public display of the portrait.

Open house guests will be interested in the laundry room with the new laundermat washing machine and built-in ironing boards and the new infirmary where girls may stay when ill.

Of special interest to the girls of Jackson Hall are the prizes to be given for the best rooms. A committee of judges will be selected, and prizes will be given for the best room on each of the three floors. Much painting, varnishing, waxing, and just plain scrubbing is being done in preparation.

A number of committees, whose membership is made up of Jackson Hall girls, have been created to assist in preparations for open house.

The committee to supervise the cleaning of the dormitory is headed by Ella Mae Loper and consists of the following girls: Lacreza Henry, Billie Wright, Wanda Vance, Emma Dell Stuart, Adell Russell, Betty Catherine Roberts, Betty Payne, Edwina Breazeale, Jackie Adkinson, Mary Francis Easom, and Kay Thompson. The refreshment committee, of which Barbara Bridges is chairman, includes: Sara Warner Craft,

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## Second Semester Shows Decrease In Enrollment By Two Hundred

The second semester has brought a distinct decrease in enrollment for the academic division of East Central Junior College. The loss amounts, in round numbers, to a total of around two hundred students.

According to figures released from the Registrar's office, the number of students has dropped from 529 at the beginning of school to 359 at present. Regular College students enrolled this semester number 261 in comparison with the 403 of last semester. However, the night school has suffered only a minute loss, its enrollment falling from 57 to 44. Fifty-four high school students have enrolled for this semester, fifteen less than last semester.

The decrease in enrollment has been caused by various factors, with the armed services as the leading cause of withdrawal. Approximately 43 students were affected by the recent call of the National Guard to active duty, while 35 East Central boys have enlisted in

other branches of service.

Students not affected by the National Guard call who have enlisted in some branch of military service include: Baker Alford, Joe Beeland, George Bernbaum, Earl Bolton, Bobby Brown, Wayne Burkes, James Cowling, Robert Easley, Ingram Evans, T. M. Fulton, Charles Germany, Marcus Gordon, Judson Hamlin, Keith Howle, Jimmy Helms, Harry D. Lane, Norwood Lofton, Bobby Rester, James Lee Roebuck, James Russell, Donovan Sessions, William A. Smith, James L. Thomas, Raymond Tucker, Hugh Van Hooser, Johnnie Barfoot, William Donald, Curtis Easley, Jack Houston, James Keen, Thomas Mooney, Howard Moorehead, Cleveland Smith, and Darvin Young.

A number of recently married students have withdrawn from school. These are: Clara Ann Banks, Nette Dodson, Phyllis Hatch, Jean Stubbs, James Madden, Julia Upton, and B. V. Walton, and Carol Jean Hardy.

Joe Blanco, Douglas Clower, Earl Williams, Mary Ann Harbour, Jimmy Johnston, Sammy Joe Miley, and Floyd Ray Taylor have transferred to other colleges.

Several students who were in school here last semester are now employed in various fields of work. These are: Mary E. Bassett, James Crosby, Mary Sue Hardy, Colton Jolly, Frances Richardson, and Larry Thompson.

## Home Economists Of University Gp. Visit East Central

Recent visitors on the campus of East Central were Dr. Ivol Spafford, traveling consultant who is with the Home Economics department at Ole Miss at the present time and Miss Blanche Tansil, chairman of the department of Home Economics at Ole Miss.

The purpose of their visit was to become better acquainted with the junior college program of education in relationship with the program set up by the Home Economics department.

Heads of the different departments here at East Central were invited to meet in the Home Economics Department with Dr. Spafford and Miss Tansil to discuss general education in which Dr. Spafford is a specialist.

After leaving here, Miss Tansil called a meeting of all junior college Home Economics teachers at the Robert E. Lee hotel in Jackson. Dr. Spafford served as consultant to the meeting which was attended by Mrs. Clyburn, head of the Home Economics department at East Central.

In the meeting they discussed what they thought of as junior college problems and considered the philosophy and purpose of Home Economics in junior college education. They also made an effort to appraise their work, and laid plans for the future.

1. Determine what can be done on a state level to help junior and senior colleges in making a self-evaluation of their respective Home Economics department.

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## Let's "Run The Race" With The Best We Have

Already we are well into the new semester—we are rounding the bend, coming up for the "homestretch", so to speak.

Are you satisfied with the grades you made or the knowledge that you obtained last semester or, like some students, do you wish to hang your head in shame or make feeble excuses for not doing so well in your academic work?

To be sure, the Freshmen coming on the campus for the first time last semester were amazed, at the beginning, by the plan of the college program, which proved so much different from the work done in most high schools. It took them a while to become adjusted to the new pattern and situations which arose, but now they no longer have any excuse, for any person who comes to college should be mature enough to adapt himself to a different environment from that one to which he was accustomed.

We, as students, spend our time and money in vain if we aren't here at East Central for the purpose for which this school was established and which it courageously upholds today—educating the boy or girl so that they might step out in life unafraid to meet its trials and demands. College is the maturing ground for the battle that is to be fought on the field of life. Preparation can make for victory in this battle. To be a victor in this hard fought battle should be the aim of every college student. Is it YOUR aim?

As we start around the bend and see the finish line not far off in the distance, let's put more effort forth so that we might say that we "ran the race" with the best we had!

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## Nobody's Business But Their Own!

Even in a boys' dormitory and especially in the girls' a telephone conversation often calls for a little privacy, an element which is hard to obtain with the present set-up of telephones on the campus.

Only one telephone is available for the use of boys in three dormitories and that one is located in a very poor place for any degree of privacy. All the boys have to use the phone located in the hall of Scott Hall, a dormitory which has amazingly good acoustics. A conversation held in slightly louder than normal tones is clearly audible in every part of the building. The telephone used by the girls offers no more privacy. Anyone passing through the office may unavoidably find herself the sharer in a personal conversation.

In addition to the lack of privacy is the interference from outside disturbances. Pianos located very near the phones furnish enough noise frequently to drown out the voice in the receiver and passers-by create additional clamor.

Perhaps there's some good reason why East Central hasn't got them, but most schools have telephone booths for the use of students. The telephone company might install them for the asking, but if they won't they need to be gotten anyway. The need is not urgent, but it is real and, if filled, would prove a great benefit to the dormitory students.

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## Students, Let's Kill The "Goon Squad"!

Last semester something new was added to our curricular program—the infamous "Goon Squad." This institution was not designed for the torture of poor, defenseless students whose capacity for absorbing facts, figure, philosophies, etc., was not quite so large as that of their contemporaries. Its formation resulted from the hope of the administration and faculty that regular supervised study would help those whose academic achievements fell somewhat below the average.

The administration was right, because, as a general rule no one person was a member of the Goon Squad for more than one six-week period. This fact seems to prove rather conclusively that being placed on the Goon Squad does not indicate the lack of mental ability—it merely indicated a lack of proper usage of our intelligence.

As we enter the second semester of work, surely we have had ample time in which to become adjusted to college life and are familiar with what is expected of us. None of us want to be identified with such a group as the Goon Squad. So, since the power of giving life to it lies entirely in our hands, why don't we abolish the Goon Squad?

Circumstances may prevent every student's attaining an all A average but if we all set that as our goal and work diligently toward it there will definitely be no Goon Squad in the school. Students, let's remove the stigma from ourselves and our school which our negligence has caused.

We can prove to the Administration that we have no need for a Goon Squad by not helping compose one. Don't you agree?

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## What About A Cement Tennis Court?

How about adding a cement tennis court to the list of improvements are to be made on the East Central campus?

At the present, when it rains, the tennis court looks similar to the Louisiana swamplands: when it is dry, it resembles the Sahara desert! Which is worse? Could you make a decision either way?

Students who would like to play tennis for a leisure time activity won't venture out there for its unattractive and uninviting appearance discourages them.

Tennis, which helps strengthen a person physically, is a game that develops skill in movement, power of balance and muscular coordination. It does much more, however. It broadens the field of activities and improves the personality of the person who can play this absorbing game with the right spirit—the spirit of clean, honest vying for top score.

There are students on this campus particularly interested in this sport, as they do not engage in playing football, basketball, or baseball. Many students came from high schools in which tennis playing was considered an important activity on the campus; they miss this sport now that they are in school at East central.

Soon the time for tennis playing will be here. I believe it would be timely if an inexpensive cement court could be completed and made ready for use by them. More interest, on the part of the student body as a whole, in this sport would then be evident, I believe. Intra-mural contests could then become an integral part of our campus activity.

I'm aware of the fact that with major construction and the big building projects which have been undertaken this year, it might be difficult to add this cement tennis court. I would like to suggest however, that we add this to our "list" of improvements! ,,

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## Roving Reporter on A Boyless Campus

As I observed the girls strolling around the campus or passing off their time in the Student Center several days ago, a thought came to me. Things have changed, something is missing—what is it? Readily the answer came. The boys are the missing factor in school this semester. Many faces that had occupied certain places in the Student Center, in chow line and elsewhere on the campus are gone. As I thought about this situation, a practically boyless campus, I decided to talk to some of the girls and see what they think about it.

The first person I approached on the subject was Sue Franklin. When asked, what do you think about all the boys leaving school, she immediately replied, "It's a shame!" She went on to say, "Why couldn't Uncle Sam leave us a few?" That is a \$64 question!

Glancing around the student center, the next person I saw was Olive Doyle who, just as many others, has become an ardent letter writer. Her reply to the question was this, "It is a heartbreaking experience, but we all must keep our chins up and keep the lovelight burning."

Jan Weems described the situation as being similar to a panic with all the boys leaving in such a rush. She also said that it certainly was lonesome with them gone, and it was going to get even more lonesome.

The next person that I encountered was Nancy Walton. She, just as several others, thinks that all the boys should stay in school as long as possible. In a pleading tone she said, "Couldn't we have a few boys in college, Uncle Sam?"

Seeing Eva Nell Boggan next, I asked her what she thought about the scarcity of boys on the campus. She answered dynamically, "It's a dirty shame!" Then as an afterthought she said, "Maybe I'll get some studying done now, since there is no object in going to the Student Center."

Virginia Reagan sums up her feelings in one sentence. She said, "My heart cries for you."

These opinions are typical of practically all the girls' opinions, so to you boys who are still here, we say, "please don't leave!"

"Socialists think they can make better of what we produce than we can."

## Campus Christianity

Luke 8: 4-15

In the gospel according to St. Luke we find Jesus speaking a parable of a sower. As the sower sows his seed, some fall by the wayside; and are trodden under foot and devoured by the birds. Others fell on a rock where as soon as they grew they withered away because they had no moisture. Others fell among thorns, and when they began to grow, they were choked by the thorns. Some of the seed, however, fell into good ground where they grew and brought forth fruit of perfection.

The disciples of Jesus wanted to know the meaning of such a parable. In telling them, Jesus, as He does in all His parables, gives to us a vivid picture applicable to our life today as well as then. The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who have heard the word of the Lord, but have allowed the devil to take it from their hearts that they might not be saved. The seed on the rock are men who have received the word of God with joy but have withered away in time of temptation. The ones among the thorns are those who hear the word but are choked by cares, riches, and pleasures of this life. The seed in the good ground are men with honest and good hearts, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bring forth good fruit.

The seed of the word of God is still being sown. What are we doing with it? Are we letting it wither and die or do we use it to inspire and uplift our daily life? We do not have to go to church to hear the word of God. He speaks to us through daily prayer and Bible study. We put forth efforts every day to secure food for our physical bodies. Why? We know if we don't get food our bodies will die. So will our spiritual bodies if they are not fed: yet we are not concerned enough to see that they are properly cared for. I'm afraid some of us are going to be shocked beyond repair one day when we wake up to find that Christianity is not just a thing that some quack has originated and thrown into society; and that everyone has to deal with it to be socially popular. Christianity was originated by the greatest man who ever lived, Jesus Christ. He is today, as thousands of years ago, the same kind, passionate Shepherd guiding His flock. Are we going to receive His guidance and be drawn closer together in love and peace; or do we choose to

## In My Opinion

In a recent assembly program, Dr. Cook from Mississippi Southern College made a thought-provoking statement something like this: "The importance of a job is not in what you do but in how you do the job you have." In my opinion this is a true statement and one about which each of us should think.

I like to apply this statement to our lives here on the campus not only to our school work, but also to our extra-curricular activities as well.

Each of us knows that we have a definite task to perform in school, and that is to do the best possible work in any course we are taking. We should do our best in our class work whether the course we are taking is easy or one of the difficult ones.

According to Dr. Cook, we should do any task we undertake with dignity and feeling. When we put forth our best efforts, the most humble, menial task will take on new meaning and become interesting and important to us.

In our extra-curricular activities Dr. Cook's statement is also true. We cannot all be leaders; we are not all capable, but we can be good followers and take the tasks assigned to us and make the most of them.

Sometimes students say when they see others chosen for the more responsible positions, "If I can't have a big, important job, I just won't help at all." In most cases the other students have proved their worth by taking the smaller insignificant jobs and doing them well. If we are not capable of the more important jobs, let us take the less important and happily do our best with them. Perhaps soon we will be capable of having more responsible positions.

There are no "big wheels" on the E.C.J.C. campus. There are only those who are willing to assume responsibility and do their best. Each person has a place to fill in this school, a place that only he can fill. So let's everyone do our part and do our best in anything that we undertake.

## Home Economists . .

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ments; 2. Continue to work for recruitment of capable students; 3. Study contributions which Home Economics makes to liberal education; 4. Study ways in which Home Economics and related branches may cooperate effectively to provide education for family living for all students and encourage experimental programs for this purpose at college and pre-college level; 5. Interest Home Economics majors in colleges in membership in the Mississippi and American Home Economics Association; 6. Continue with educational testing service in Home Economics testing program.

According to Mrs. Clyburn, "Home Economics people feel that they have a great contribution to make to general education. There was a lengthy discussion on offering a course that would increase the general employability of students in each curriculum."

To close the meeting, a challenge was given the group as follows: What is the best general education that can be given in the first twelve or fifteen hours of college work?

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be like the seed sown among the thorns or on the rock? May our prayer each day be that God will make us strong in time of temptation; humble in His presence; and give us faith and courage to fight for Him.

"Controls must be measured in terms of whether they'll increase production."—NAM Pres. William H. Ruffin.





### Draft Change Brings Would Be "Uncle Sam Boys" Back To Campus For Second Semester

"College students who are now entitled to have their induction into the armed forces postponed until the end of the current academic year may also choose their branch of service (Army, Navy, or Air Force) to the extent of available openings in each service," was the wording which attracted widespread and concentrated attention when it appeared in newspapers over the nation Saturday, Jan. 20th.

Upon the release of the news of the change made in the draft law, General Marshall expressed the opinion that the new rules would prove of benefit to the students, the college, and the National defense effort. He emphasized the importance to the Nation of maintaining a vigorous educational system and eliminating the unsettled conditions that have developed on many campuses as a result of large scale enlistment by men who wanted to enlist before they received their Selective Service calls.

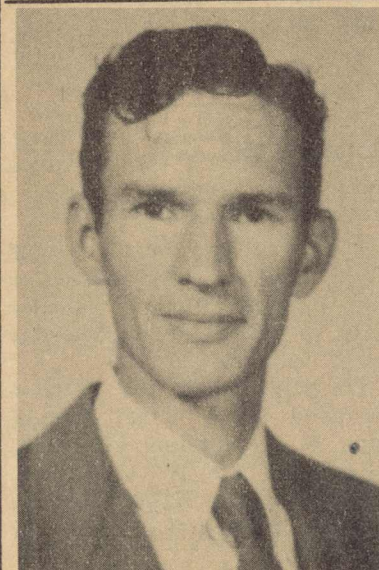
An interesting coincidence was that this significant article appeared on the morning of the day set aside for registration for the second semester at East Central. Because of such a coincidence, certain local young men did some lightning-like mind changing. One appeared for registration late in the fore-

noon, the earliest possible moment he could manage the return trip from the induction center. Another who had left the preceding Saturday in a very doubtful state of mind as to the wisest course to follow in regard to his immediate future made his appearance early Monday morning with at least the next four and one-half months decided upon. Still another rushes into class at the fifth period Monday asking if he could attend one class without having registered. He explained that he had been approximately a member of the U. S. Air Force when his eye fell on the aforementioned article, causing him to request his superior officer to allow him the privilege of returning to school for a little more education before taking off into the "Wild blue yonder" with a new bunch of Uncle Sam's fly boys.

Students at East Central who, according to definite information took the General at his word in taking advantage of the opportunity offered to "eliminate" their personal "unsettled conditions" at least until Congress should change its evidently not too "settled" mind are: Mike Gamblin, Mervin Wallace, Jack Calhoun, Orvil Dewese, and Dwight Addkinson. It is possible that other students on the cam-

### Eva Nell Boggan, Elected Secretary Of EC Glee Club

Eva Nell Boggan has been elected Glee Club secretary to succeed Nett Dodson who re-



### Joe Dodson Massey Succeeds Madden As Annual Editor

Joe Massey has recently been elected editor of the Wo-He-Lo, the East Central annual.

Joe, a sophomore, succeeds James Madden who left East Central at mid-term. In the future, Joe plans to attend Delta State Teachers College and upon completion of his studies he will enter the field of commercial teaching.

When asked how soon he planned to have the annual out, he replied that the date of this event would depend upon how soon the staff could get the material to the publishers.

Joe, known to be a hard and steady worker, has this to say about his new responsibility, "With the help of my staff, Macie, Joe Jr., and Sammy, I'm confident that the 1950-51 Wo-He-Lo will be the best annual East Central has ever seen."

pus at present are here because of a change of mind occasioned by that little front-page news article which appeared on Jan. 20th.

### Strange As It Seems

Is it fate, is it luck, or is it a strange coincidence? Whatever it is, Room 23 in Neshoba County Hall has a unique distinction. What is this occurrence that sounds as if it came out of "Strange as it Seems" or "Believe It or Not"? This is it. For the past three consecutive years one of the boys living in this room has been elected president of the Freshman Class! Now isn't that almost unbelievable?

In 1948-49 David Sparks was elected to the office, in 1949-50 James Madden was the chosen one, and this year Jerry Williamson is the leader of his class. Each of these was staying in this room at the time of his election.

It's just an average, ordinary room on "Bloody Third" (as the third floor of Neshoba County Hall is called) but in that small space enclosed by those four walls, plans have been made and ideas have come into existence which probably affected large numbers of students and perhaps the entire school as well. As I think about this, I seem to see each of these class leaders in turn, gazing out the same window, watching the scenes on the front campus, pondering over and trying to solve the numerous problems which always face Freshman classes.

If those walls could speak, I am sure they could tell us much

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### Noon Prayer Service Is Under Auspices Of Y-Council Group

Noonday Prayer services are now being conducted each weekday in the Little Auditorium from 12:25 to 12:35 o'clock.

The Y-council composed of the three protestant denominations on the campus, Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian, sponsor the services. Morning watch sponsored by the B.S.U. is also being conducted every Friday morning at 7:45 o'clock in the Little Auditorium.

These services are conducted to promote spiritual fellowship among the students and everyone is invited to worship at these services.

cently withdrew from school.

Eva Nell is a very active member of the Glee Club and has recently been selected along with five others to sing in the newly organized sextette.

Majoring in art here at East Central, she has as her minor, piano and voice. After graduating from here she plans to continue her studies in those fields.

### Eighteen Graduate At Mid-Season

Fifteen college students and three high school students received diplomas January 23. Dr. R. C. Cook was the guest speaker.

The graduation exercise was held in assembly Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. In the absence of Dr. L. O. Todd, R. C. Roberts, Dean, introduced the speaker, Dr. R. C. Cook, President of Mississippi Southern. Dr. Cook talked to the graduates about how to obtain success in life. Dr. A. N. Darby, Director of Admissions at Southern, was also present.

Students who made honor roll for their work at East Central were Donald Rawson, Mary Frank Johnson, Louie Weatherford, Elwin Norris, Willie Thompson and Jean Brown Irby. Those who received recognition for extra curricular activities were Donald Rawson and Jean Brown Irby, who received special distinction and Mary Frank Johnson and Elwin Norris who received distinction.

The college students receiving diplomas were: Donald Rawson, Louise Smith Chaney, W. S. Donald, Jean Brown Irby, Annie Lee James, Joanne Johnson, Mary Frank Johnson, Elon Mitchell, Elwin Norris, Johnnie Presley, Willie Thompson, Annie R. Vowel, Dwanda Weatherford, Louie Weatherford, Blanche Wiggins and John Meador.

The high school students graduating were Mozelle Cumberland, Robert Lee Massey, and Martha Ann McMillian.

### Home Ec Club Elects President

Freda Gardner was recently elected to the position of president of the Home Economics Club which position had been held by Dwanda Weatherford until her graduation at the end of the first semester.

Freda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Huron Gardner of Union. While in high school she was an active member of the 4-H Club, winning many honors in that work, one of which was a trip to 4-H Roundup at Jackson in 1950. She was cast in the class play her senior year.

Coming to East Central this year as a freshman, she enrolled in the Home Economics curriculum. Interested in extra-curricula activities, she is also Information program chairman of Y.M.-Y.W. and a member of The Tom-Tom staff.

"No wonder the Communists are such sad apples. To them the funniest thing on earth is... THE TRUTH!"

### DECATUR THEATRE

#### COMING ATTRACTIONS

**FEBRUARY 9 and 10**  
CAGED INDIAN TERRITORY

**FEBRUARY 12 and 13**  
COPPER CANYON

**FEBRUARY 14 and 15**  
SUMMER STOCK

**FEBRUARY 16 and 17**  
MIGHTY JOE YOUNG TEXAS DYNAMO

**FEBRUARY 19 and 20**  
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## Social Highlights

Miss Lanelle Atkinson visited in Jackson recently and spent last weekend in Mobile, Alabama, with her sister, Mrs. Roy Calhoun.

Miss Willaree Nichols spent Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of last week with Charlotte Wells in Union.

Miss Patsy Williamson visited in the home of Mary Frances Eason of Sebastopol last week end.

Miss Barbara Husbands visited recently in the home of June Ethridge Addkinson of Louisville.

Miss Bonnie Morrow spent last weekend with Betty Payne of Newton. They attended the Farewell National Guard dance with Larry Cooper and Eddy Ware.

Misses Ruby Ballenger and Nattie Faye Wooten spent last weekend with Margie Bell Melton of Arlington Community.

Miss Margaret McKinney was the weekend guest of Barbara Nicholson of Dixon.

Miss Betty Ann Peoples visited

with Catherine Williams in her home at House last weekend.

Miss Doris Bobo spent last weekend with Christine Moore of Philadelphia.

Miss Kay Thompson spent the weekend with Lillian Thomas of the Bloomo Community.

Dr. Ivan Myles from State College visited his nieces, Dean and Jean Myles on the campus Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Ruby Croxton was a guest in the home of LaNell Adkinson Monday night.

Miss Gwendolyn Pilgrim and Jack Spivey attended the ball game at Coldwater Saturday night.

Misses LaNell Adkinson and Janell Johnson were guests of Marion McMullan of Philadelphia last weekend.

Miss Shirley Hardy was the guest of Ray Usry in Newton last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ferguson of Philadelphia announce the engagement of their daughter Ruthine to Wayne Burks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Burks of Edinburg.

## Faculty Facts . . .

Miss Helen Sparks had as her guest for a few days recently, Miss Dorothy Richardson.

Mr. E. W. Terrell visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Simmons at Starkville Monday of last week.

Capt. L. D. Ferguson flew home from Fort Jackson, S. C., for a few days last week on his way to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he will be stationed for thirteen weeks.

Miss Mary Ellen Richards attended the Executive Board of Business Education Association at Jackson on the weekend of the 27th.

Last Sunday afternoon three of the faculty members competed in a push-up race, held on the front lawn. Mr. Walker said he could do twice as many as either Mr. Bickerstaff or Mr. McCann. Their scores were as follows: Mr. Walker-26; Mr. McCann-20; and Mr. Bickerstaff-19.

Mrs. Grace S. Gardner visited with her father, Mr. Kirby D. Smith of Hazlehurst, the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker Jr. and Billy, Mr. Thomas R. McCann, Miss Helen Sparks, Cpl. David Sparks and Miss Dot Richardson had dinner at the Sessum's Hotel at Union on Jan. 18.

Miss Virginia Melvin spent the weekend with her parents in Laurel and attended her sister's wedding on Saturday, Jan. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Keahey were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Truce of Meridian.

Mrs. Janie Sullivan visited in the homes of James Bradford and Will Wooten on Jan. 21.

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about college life of these three years. They have probably heard glad rejoicing over the success of the Talent Show or of

## Dodson-Madden, United in Marriage During Holidays

Miss Nette Fern Dodson of Harpersville and James Monroe Madden of Forest were married in Pelahatchie, Mississippi, December 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Madden were both students of East Central at the time of their marriage. James was outstanding in a number of campus activities and in the sophomore class. Nette was a popular freshman and received several special honors on the campus.

## Former EC Student, Donald Rawson, Weds Vera McKay

Miss Vera McKay and Donald Ragon of Dossville were united in matrimony Wednesday afternoon, January 24.

Donald graduated from East Central at the mid-term of this year with the highest scholastic rating of the class. He will continue his studies at Mississippi State while Vera will graduate from M.S.C.W. in the spring.

## Miss Julia Upton Is January Bride Of James Peoples

Miss Julia Upton of Walnut Grove was married to James Earl Peoples of Carthage in an early morning service January 28. The ceremony took place in the home of the officiating minister, Rev. G.O. Parker of Carthage.

Mrs. Peoples is a former student of East Central and was a member of the Sophomore class until the close of the first semester.

## Twelve Are Honored At Birthday Supper

Four faculty members and eight students were honored at the January Birthday supper held in the Cafeteria Tuesday night, January 23.

The honorees for the occasion included Miss Ethel Burton, Mrs. W. W. Newsom, Mr. Keith Slothower, Mr. W. A. Walker, Jr., Betty Sue Halford, Becky Roberts, Ellen Stokes and Jerry Williamson.

The New Year theme was carried out with table decorations of red and green streamers draped from horns which had gaily colored balloons billowing from them. The traditional baby New Year took his stand on a mound of snow at the base of each horn.

The menu consisted of English peas, creamed potatoes, hot rolls, butter, pork chops, milk, ice cream, and cake.

The climax of the meal was reached with the cutting of the white, beautifully decorated birthday cake which was cut by Miss Ethel Burton and served by members of the Woman's Student Government.

the Sophomore Banquet. On the other hand I am sure they have heard dismal wails such as "That class just will not cooperate," or "People just won't buy our peanuts or popcorn."

As we think about how strange this occurrence is, this question comes to our mind, "Just how unusual is this and what are the odds for its happening again?" With the help of Coach Vincent's mathematical genius the conclusion was finally reached that this wouldn't happen again in over one thousand years.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS



Left to Right: Horace McCown, Mrs. Newsome, Anne Graham, Nancy Herrington.

## Sophomore Officers, Elected At Meeting

Midterm graduation and the National Guard, having taken almost the complete set of Sophomore class officers, new officers were elected Tuesday. Those elected were: Ann Graham, President; Horace McCown, vice president; Nancy Dell Herrington, secretary; and Sara Williams, treasurer.

The officers replaced by these individuals were: President, Don Rawson, who graduated at mid-term; Vice president Jack Partridge of the National Guard; Secretary Jo Ann Johnson, who also graduated; and Treasurer, Howard Sessums of the National Guard.

Ann Graham is a native of Decatur; she graduated with honors from Newton County Agricultural High School. She is a member of the B.S.U. Council, Drama Club, and is feature editor of the Annual. Upon finishing E.C.J.C. she plans to attend a florist's school.

Horace McCown graduated from Arlington High School as an honor student. He is now enrolled at E.C.J.C. in the Electrical Engineering curriculum.

He is an active member of the Engineering and Projection clubs. He plans to continue his education at Mississippi State College.

Nancy Dell Herrington was an honor student at Union High School. She is Associate Editor of The Tom-Tom, president of the Y.W.A., a member of the Y-Council, B.S.U. Council, and the I.R.C. She plans to continue her education at Mississippi College.

Sara Williams, a graduate of Newton High school, is president of Jackson Hall House Committee. She is a member of the Student Activity Committee and the I.R.C. She has been a cheerleader for the past two years. She is enrolled in the Education Curriculum and plans to continue her studies at Mississippi College.

## Miss June Ethridge, United In Marriage to Dwight Addkison

Miss Shirley June Ethridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Horatio Ethridge became the bride of George Dwight Addkison, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Andrew Addkison at five o'clock

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# RIGLER RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

Four weeks have lapsed since Uncle Sam took seven of East Central's cage stars via the National Guard, but the Warriors are still possessors of a good record.

Since January 9, when Bracken, Sessums, and Robinson played their last game (defeating Ellisville 90 to 52), the Warriors have defeated Moorhead, Senatobia (two games), Fulton, and Hinds. They have fallen only to Fulton, Booneville, and Ellisville.

Although the Warriors have a pretty good chance to receive top honors in the state Junior College tournament to be held here March 1 through 3, their comparatively small size is a definite hindrance which must be faced.

Booneville, last year's champ, had a sharpshooting team averaging well over six feet, while Decatur has hardly a man who tops the 72 inch mark.

However, Decatur's fast-

breaking, sharpshooting ability is a point which Booneville or other tall teams must not overlook. Although thinned to a squad of eight men, East Central has choice material in Richard Harris, William Pogue, Sam Thomas, Charlie McMullan, and Jackie Ethridge, the latter being left from the ranks of last year's team. Bobby Caldwell and Bat Johnson who saw action last season are dangerous to any opposing team.

Coach Eliau's girls' team has compiled a good record this season despite a slow start. The girls have caught the hang of it now and have won ten games while dropping only six.

Teams who have fallen before the local lassies are Perkinson, Scooba, Wesson, Ellisville (two games), Moorhead, Senatobia (two games), and Fulton (two games). The Warriorettes have fallen to Scooba, Hinds (two games), Poplarville, Southwest, and Booneville.

**Miss June Ethridge . .**  
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Saturday afternoon of January 20.

The vows were exchanged in the First Methodist Church of Louisville with Dr. J. D. Wroten officiating.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. James Lee Harrell of Silver Creek, and Pruitt Calvert was best man for the groom.

The couple has returned to the campus of East Central Junior College to continue their studies.

**Girls' Open House . .**  
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Edna Hollingsworth, Janiece Smith, Ruth Ritchie, and Jane Johnson.

In carrying out plans for the occasion, Martha Milling, Eva Nell Boggan, and Margaret Germany make up the program committee, with Martha serving as chairman. The wing chair-

men of the dormitory who will serve as guides are: Barbara Husbands, Dot Smith, Barbara Nickolson, Nancy Walton, Jan Weems, Billie Jewel Thrash, Virginia Reagan, and Freda Gardner.

The receiving line will be composed of officers of the Women's Student Government. These girls are: Sara Williams, Sara Aycock, Joan Meador, Margaret McKinney, Ann Graham, Peggy Harrell, and Doris Humphries.

## Faculty Club Fetes Decatur Guard Unit

The Decatur branch of the 31st National Guard Division was honored with a banquet sponsored by the East Central Junior Faculty Club in the Mabry Memorial Cafeteria on Friday night, January 19.

The group, including approximately three hundred guardsmen, guests, and faculty members, were entertained by a

## EC Cagers Score 7 Wins, 5 Losses

Cage action since January 19 finds East Central's boys team winner of three games and loser of three. The girls squad has racked up four wins and two losses over the same period.

Coach Arno Vincent's team dropped its first game January 26, after twelve consecutive victories to one-time victim Fulton on the latter's court. The score was 54 to 51. During the same outing East Central's Warriorettes downed Fulton 40 to 33.

Previous to this first loss of the season, Decatur's five had scored victories over Senatobia 67 to 54; Fulton 60 to 47; and Hinds 60 to 44.

Decatur dropped a double header to Booneville the following night, the boys being defeated 68 to 44 and the girls losing by a score of 39 to 25. In a road game of last Tuesday, the Warriors made it three losses in a row as they went down before Ellisville 72 to 67. In the first match of these teams on January 9, Decatur was victorious 92 to 52. East Central's girls' team defeated Ellisville 47 to 32.

Two basketball games are on the slate this weekend for the Warriors and Warriorettes. Both are home games.

Friday Goodman invades the local court in a return duel and Saturday, February 10, Moorehead seeks revenge against East Central for a double loss suffered on their own court on January 12.

Next weekend finds Decatur playing Poplarville on Friday, February 16, and Perkinson on Saturday. This pair of road games promises fast excitement.

program given by Mrs. Carrie Lee Madden's Music Department. Informal talks were made by Capt. L. D. Furgerson of the local National Guard, Col. Herman Alford, of the State National Guard, Col. B. O. Smith, and Mr. Bert Evans, Post Commander of V.F.W. of Newton County. Dr. L. O. Todd presided as Master of Ceremonies.

The honorary table, at which the military dignitaries were seated, was appropriately decorated with flags, by the F.T.A. sponsored by Mrs. Janie Sullivan, and Mrs. Edgar Gordon. The table featured a cake, beautifully decorated with the National Guard colors, which was prepared for the Unit by Mrs. Grace Gardner.

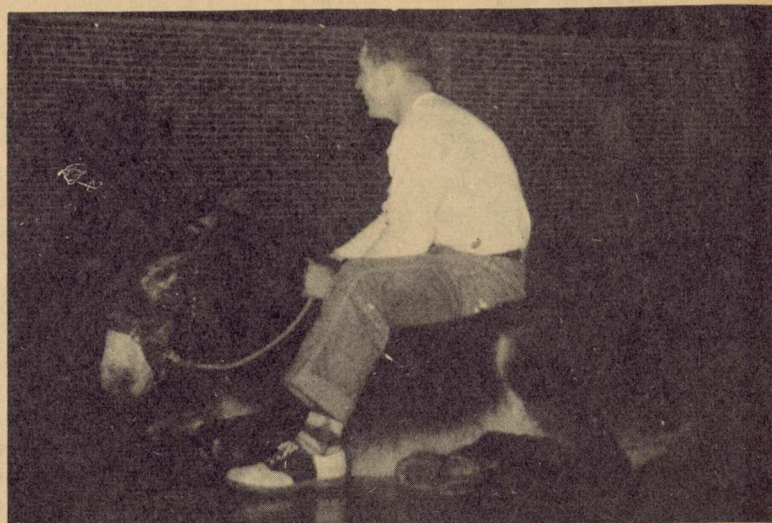
Gifts to the Unit from the Faculty Club and the girls of Jackson Hall were presented to Capt. Furgerson and Sgt. Partridge by Mr. T. R. McCann, President of the Faculty Club, and Miss Sara Williams, President of the Woman's Student Government Organization. Mr. McCann also presented Capt. Furgerson with a gift from the faculty.

After the invocation, given by Rev. A. M. Ellison, pastor of the Decatur Methodist Church, a delicious meal featuring Southern fried chicken was served the group.

Following the serving of cake and ice cream by the Jackson Hall House Committee, the strains of the "Artillery Song" brought the banquet to a close.

Local guardsmen and their dates attending the banquet included: Charlotte Wells and Denver Bracken, Janys Ming and S. F. Carlisle, Walterine Herrington and Clyde Smith, Virginia Reagan and Billy Williamson, Willaree Nichols and William Wallace, Nancy Dell

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A little out of his line

## The Score Was Close, But ALL Took A Beating!

Led by high-scoring forward "Snorter" Thames on his fast-breaking donkey, the townspeople downed the East Central Junior College teachers and students in a donkey ball game which really had its ups and downs.

The gym floor really took a beating as the inspired outsiders romped to a ten to eight victory over the game but out-classed East Centralers. The loss by the valiant teachers and students has been accredited, by those who have pondered the question carefully, to the lack of teamwork. It seems that Mr. Bickerstaff, the main-stay of the local team, in planning his strategy, failed to come to a complete understanding with his diminutive mount. It was altogether fitting that the professor of agriculture should dribble the ball but the belief by his steed that he should dribble Mr. Bickerstaff was altogether erroneous and put a serious crimp in the Warrior offense.

Professor McCann, that wizard of court strategy, was also handicapped by the lack of cooperation. His plan was to con-

serve his energy and that of his mount until later in the game when all the rest would be fatigued. His plan worked perfectly for the first half. He didn't so much as get on his donkey, but just as he was getting ready to mount up and whiz away to rack up a pile of points the coach, who obviously was too dense to see through his star player's ingenious plan, threw a monkey wrench into the machinery by substituting for his only hope of a last minute rally.

Norman Thomas, who greatly pleased the crowd with his unique and colorful method of getting off his steed, kept Coach Vincent in constant anxiety. A hole the size of Norman in the gym floor would greatly interfere with future ball games of the less exciting, conventional style. Norman, however, realizing that he was worrying Mr. Vincent, was gentleman enough to withdraw from the game after the third trip down.

Dwight Addkinson endangered the life of his new wife's husband by entering the contest in

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JAN WEEMS

### New Wesley Pres. Is Chosen By Group

Jan Weems was recently elected to succeed Elwin Norris, who graduated at the end of the first semester, as president of Wesley Foundation.

Jan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Weems of Forest, is a Freshman at East Central and is enrolled in the Liberal Arts curriculum. In her senior year in high school, she was president of M.Y.F. Since she has come to East Central she has gained scholastic honors, having won special distinction rating.

Along with being president of Wesley Foundation, she is a member of The Tom-Tom staff

### Connie Smith Chosen As Vice-President Of Freshman Class

Connie Smith was elected vice-president of the Freshman Class on January 30, 1951.

The former vice-president, James "Gabby" Jones, having left with the National Guard, a freshman class meeting was called on Tuesday for the purpose of selecting someone to fill the position; Connie was selected by a majority vote.

Connie, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith of Knoxville, Tennessee, has many honors embodied in his high school record. Some of these are: president of the glee club, treasurer of Hi-Y Council, writer for the annual staff, and sports editor of the school paper.

Since he has been at East Central, Connie has played blocking back for the E.C.J.C. Warriors. He also was elected a campus favorite in the recent "Who's Who" election.

After graduating from East Central, Connie plans to continue his education in the field of law at the University of Tennessee.

and of the Drama Club, having played the leading role in the Drama Club's first semester production, "Family Portrait."

### The Score . . . . . Continued from Page 5

the second half. He didn't add materially to the Warrior cause, but it wasn't Dwight's fault. Someone should have told him that the donkey was supposed to have been ridden, not chased around the gym floor. He wasn't a total failure, though. He managed to keep from getting his neck broken.

Yes, the game was one of great confusion. The only ones who knew what they were doing were the donkeys and they proceeded to make complete fools out of the mortals who are conceited enough to call themselves superior beings.

### Faculty Club . . . . . Continued from Page 5

Herrington and Ralph Rives, Joann Meadors and Larue Vinerette, Bonnie Morrow and Larry Cooper, Betty Payne and Eddie Ware, Billy Jewel Thrash and Jimmy Keahey, Dewanda Weatherford and Doyle Waldrop.

### OH, MY GOODNESS

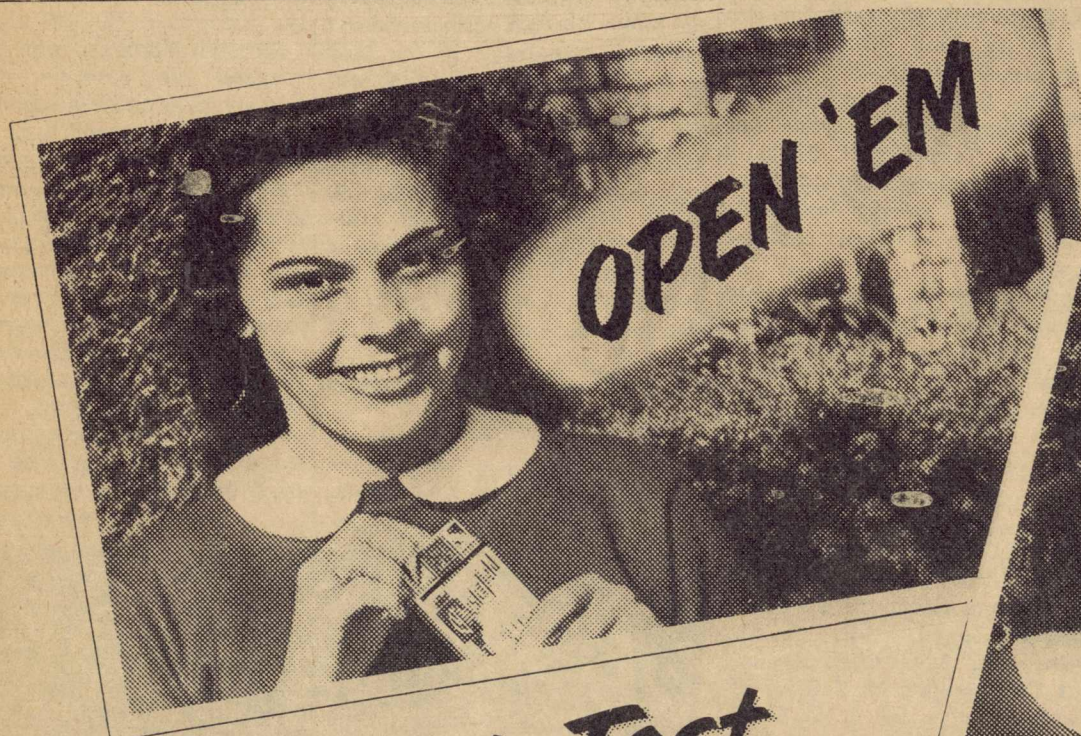
Faris Child said to Joe Lewis. "Joe I saw you eating hot dogs yesterday with that good-for-nothing guy from next door. What can you possibly have in common with that awful person?" Joe replied, "A stomach ache."



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JOELLA CHIPLEY

## Miss Joella Chipley Succeeds C. G. Rives As SAC President

Joella Chipley, in a recent election, was chosen president of the Student Activities committee. This position was vacated when the former president, C. G. Rives withdrew from school at the end of the first semester.

Joella is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chipley of Doss-ville. She was salutatorian of her class in high school and has received outstanding scholastic honors in her college work.

When a senior in high school, she had the leading role in the class play. She was a member of the music club and of the 4-H club in which she won many honors.

Some other extra-curricula activities in which Joella participates are the F. T. A., Home Economics club, Y-Council and Wesleyan Foundation. She is also a member of The TOM-TOM staff.

After graduating from East Central in the spring, Joella plans to continue her education in the field of Home Economics at Mississippi Southern College.

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## Decatur Debaters Wins 2nd Place In First Tournament

East Central's debate team won second place in the debate tournament of Poplarville, February 14. Those entering for E.C.J.C. were Jan Weems and Barbara Husbands for the affirmative and Ann Graham and Jane Todd for the negative.

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## Former Registrar Receives Training In Artillery School

Capt. L. D. Ferguson, formerly registrar at East Central, who left with the 31st Division of the National Guard on January 16th, is now stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Temporarily stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, Captain Ferguson is now studying in an advanced artillery school. During World War II, Captain Ferguson served in the Marine Corps.

Before leaving for Fort Sill, Captain Ferguson was home with his wife and daughter for a few days. Mrs. Ferguson and Linda plan to join Captain Ferguson as soon as conditions permit.

Since September, 1946, and up until Captain Ferguson was called to duty, he was a member of the faculty at E. C. J. C. Upon his completion of duty in the service, he will resume his position at East Central.

## Five Are Selected New SAC Members

Jackie Ethridge, Conrad Smith, Johnny Jones, Horace McCown and Philip Hutton have been elected as new members of the Student Activity committee.

To be chosen a member of the S. A. C. is one of the highest honors on the campus. The old members nominated two or three times the number needed for consideration by the faculty. After each nominee had been thoroughly examined, five were selected to serve.

These members are elected on several qualities consisting of: demonstrated loyalty to the school, initiative, character, moral stamina, and leadership ability.

Jackie Ethridge is from Morton and has been an outstanding basketball player for two years. He is majoring in physical education and plans to be a coach with history and social studies as his minor.

Horace McCown is in the agricultural curriculum. He is president of the Projection Club and outstanding in his school work. He is from Arlington.

Philip Hutton from Philadelphia is in the agricultural curriculum. He is a member of the Radio club and the Projection club. He is the reporter for the Projection club and Agriculture club.

Johnny Jones from Sebastopol is business manager of the TOM-TOM and is in the pre-med curriculum.

Connie Smith, an outstanding football player on the varsity team, is from Knoxville, Tenn. He is a member of the debate team. He was recently elected a favorite in the Who's Who contest.

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## Vacancies Filled In B.S.U. Council

At a recent meeting, the B.S.U. elected six new officers to take the place of those who have left school.

The people who were elected to fill the vacancies were as follows: enlistment vice president, Duane Burgess; social vice presidents, Barbara Bridges and Glen Eaves; secretary, Janys Ming; Sunday School representative, Ruth Richardson; pianist, Martha Milling.

Duane, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burgess, graduated from Houlika High school as valedictorian of his class. He won the citizen-

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## Dramatic Club Play Scheduled For May

The Drama Club's spring production, "Mid-Summer Night's Dream" is scheduled for May 2 and 3. "Mid-Summer Night's Dream" is a Shakespearean play of great popularity.

Plans call for an elaborate outdoor production to be presented on the front campus. The exact location has not definitely been settled.

Special music, lighting, and dances will be added to the script to make the play more effective. Mr. Slothower plans to rent costumes so that the atmosphere will be more nearly Shakespearean.

There will be eighteen speaking parts and a number of "extras." Anyone in school is eligible to try for a part. The tryouts will be held about the middle of March.

## Walterine Herrington, New Associate Editor Of Tom-Tom Staff

Walterine Herrington has been chosen as Associate Editor of The TOM-TOM.

Serving in this capacity Walterine's duties will include helping to plan each issue of the paper and assisting in the editing of the copy. She also will be responsible for helping to space the copy in each issue.

During the first semester, Walterine did a considerable amount of work for the TOM-TOM as a reporter. Her work was varied, consisting of writing news articles, editorials and feature articles. In her accomplishment in all these lines she demonstrated her versatility as a journalist.

Walterine's previous experience in journalism was at Union High school where, during her junior year, she was managing editor of the high school paper, and during her senior year she served as business manager of the paper. In addition to these two positions on the staff of The UNION HIGH LIGHTS, she did a great deal of editorial writing.

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## Renowned Violinist To Be Presented In Lyceum Program

Misses Claire Wellman and Edith Aamodt of Chicago, Illinois, will be featured in a lyceum chapel program here February 20.

Miss Wellman is a violinist, accompanied by Miss Aamodt, pianist. Miss Wellman began her study at the age of three and gave her first concert at the age of six-and-one-half. She began her training with the eminent teacher, Sanretine.

The program to be presented by the musicians consists of the following numbers:

Concerto en D Minor, Vieuxtemps.

Frolic, Mana Zacca.

Danse Tzigame, Nacheg.

The wan, Saint Susnn.

Scherzo Fantastique, Bobbini.

(Round of the Goblins).

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## Play To Be Presented By Exchange Club; Faculty Claim Roles

Decatur Exchange Club is presenting in the early part of April a comedy mystery, "THE NIGHT OF JANUARY 16," in which East Central faculty members will play prominent roles.

This play is a modern drama, the setting of which is a courtroom trial. The jury is chosen from the audience and the ending of the play will depend upon the verdict reached by this jury.

Members of the cast include the Exchange Club members, their wives, and members of the faculty. Mr. Earl Terrell, president of the Exchange Club, will play the role of Lawrence Ragen, a gangster. Mr. H. K. Slothower will be seen as John G. Whitfield, a banker. Mr. W. H. Johnson will be seen as the district attorney.

The play, directed by H. Keith Slothower, is being presented for the purpose of carrying on the activities of the club. It will be presented in the Newton Country court room.

## Tentative Plans Are Made For Senior Day Date Is Scheduled For March 22

Foundation plans were laid for the fourth annual "Senior Day" at East Central February 15 at a meeting of student leaders of the various campus organizations and selected faculty members. The date for the event was set at March 22.

The event sponsored by the

## Dr. Todd Attends Education Meeting At State Capitol

Dr. L. O. Todd recently attended two important meetings pertaining to state and national affairs in the field of education.

On February 7, he attended a meeting of the Junior College Association which was held in the State Office Building in Jackson. His meeting was devoted primarily to a discussion of Mississippi Junior Colleges, their relationship, and the part they are to play in a military sense during the present period of emergency.

As a member of the "Mississippi Accrediting Commission" he attended the sessions held Friday and Saturday, February 9-10 in the M. E. A. Building.

Here discussions concerned with the proposed standards for accrediting elementary and high schools of Mississippi were held.

New standards were also set up for Mississippi's elementary and secondary schools, differing profoundly from the present standards. However, a motion made by Dr. Todd proposing the postponing of the enactment of these new standards for further consideration by him was accepted, by the group.

F. F. A., will be planned and executed by the student body with faculty members acting in an advisory capacity. It is designed to better acquaint the high school seniors of this area with East Central and through this acquaintance encourage them to attend college here.

Those members of the student body participating in the initial meeting were: Louise Ware, president of the Y-Council; Janiece Smith, president of the Glee Club; Sara Williams, chairman of Jackson Hall House committee; Lamar Weems, Editor of THE TOM-TOM; Jane Todd, president of the Dramatic Club; Jerry Williamson, president of the Freshman class; Ann Graham, president of the Sophomore class; Freda Gardner, Home Economics Club president; Joella Chipley, chairman of the Student Activities committee; Horace McCown, president of Engineer's Club; Fred Jones, Projection Club prexy; Norman Thomas, Radio Club president; Joe Massey, WO HE LO editor; Bobby Caldwell, I. R. C. president; Gerald Cook, president of High School Senior class, and Shirley Hardy, F. B. L. A. president.

Faculty members present to help in planning were Dr. Todd, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Newsome, Mr. Slothower, Mrs. Madden, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Carter.

James Bradford was named over-all chairman of the planning committee. Sara Williams, Ann Graham, and Lamar Weems were elected to serve with James as a nominating committee for the other officers.



"Best Room" Winner pose with President. Left to right—Walterine Herrington, Sara Warner Craft, Nancy Walton, Lillian Thomas, Dr. L. O. Todd, Martha Milling, Frances Burt, and Nell Myatt.

## Girls' Open House, Climaxed In Lobby; Winners Are Named

The annual open house of Jackson Hall was held Tuesday night, February 13 from 6:15 until 7:45.

The purpose of this social affair is to give those who are in any way connected with the school, or who are interested in its functions, an opportunity to see definite evidence of the great improvement that has taken place in the girls dormitory and especially to show them the attractive first floor which has been added this year.

A competitive but friendly atmosphere was created as each girl strived to make her room the cleanest and most attractive. The fact that all the rooms have been painted displays some of the hard work of the girls of Jackson Hall.

Upon entering the lobby the guests were greeted by Mrs. Frances Cook who introduced them to

House President, Sara Williams. After passing down the receiving line, made up of the house committee, the guests were served punch by the refreshment committee. The tour of the dormitory directed by the wing-chairmen, then began.

After everyone had seen the beautiful rooms they assembled in the lobby for the climax of the evening, the awarding of prizes for the best rooms. Dr. L. O. Todd, introduced by Mrs. Grace Gardner, gave a brief talk and then presented the winners with prizes. A prize was given to the best room on each floor. Nell Myatt and Willie Frances Burt were winners on first floor with room No. 102; room 24, occupied by Lillian Thomas, Martha Milling, and Nancy Walton, was the "great room" on second floor; while Walterine Herrington and Sara Craft claimed the honor on third floor.

Rooms were judged mainly on

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### Student Government—A Possibility

The mention of student government on East Central campus seems to be taboo. It is strange that an organization so active and performing such an important function on most college campuses is seldom, if ever, brought up for discussion on our campus except in hushed tones. The attitude of the student body suggests that the administration is dead-set against any such organization and that any student promoting the idea is making himself liable for the sternest sort of discipline.

This idea is superstition rather than fact. To this writer's knowledge, the administration has demonstrated no particular adversity to a student governing body. It is true that the idea has not been encouraged, but it is extremely doubtful if the administration has ever been approached by a reliable group of students with a sound, workable plan. It is certain that the administration is not going to draw up a student government constitution, organize a student council, and hand it to us on a silver platter. They don't even know that we want such an organization. The first prerequisite to our obtaining a student government is the demonstration of a sincere and logical desire for it.

The movement should begin in one of the clubs or organizations on the campus. The club that undertakes this project should plan a meeting of a representative group of students to formulate a plan. Ideally, this group should consist of the leaders of the various organizations on the campus, because, as leaders, their backing of the plan would carry more weight with the administration and because, as leaders, they could get student support more solidly behind the plan. Any of the other schools who have student government would be glad to supply the sponsoring club with information concerning the framework and workings of the organization on their campuses. From this information it would not be difficult to formulate a plan that would fit our own situation.

It must be remembered that the administration has absolute veto power over the plan. The student who sees student government as an opportunity to embarrass the school executives and force upon them radical ideas is the student who will cause himself and the rest of the student body not to have even suggestive powers because his plan will never be adopted. The hostile attitude of trying to force the plan upon the school has no place. A friendly attitude of trying to convince the administration that the plan is desirable stands a good chance of bringing success.

The advantages of student government to the school and to the students would be many. The plan is working on other campuses and there is no reason to believe that it would not work as well at East Central. It should at least be given a try. Some club has only to start the ball rolling to put student government at East Central within the realm of possibility.

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### It Can Only Happen In America!

February is the month in which we celebrate the birthdays of two great Presidents. These two men are the best known and probably the best admired and loved by all Presidents by the average American. They are Abraham Lincoln and George Washington—we commemorate their births on February 12 and February 22, respectively.

I'm sure that we have all studied in our history books at some time or another about these two men who became great Presidents of our nation—their backgrounds, their education and political life. I know that if we think back we will remember how different these two men were in some respects. Lincoln, the Illinois Republican, born of poor and humble parents near to the state of destitution, educated himself when it became necessary to quit his formal education at a very early age. Washington, on the other hand, was born into a wealthy, aristocratic family of Virginia. Given a chance for a good education, he applied himself and got one. Yet, both of these men, so different in background and opportunity, arose to the top as great national leaders of our United States. Both men served their country at a critical period of time when men, like these two with high ideals,

were needed to stand up for that which they considered to be right.

These two men from backgrounds radically different were still alike in many respects—each believed in the worth of the individual; each believed in upholding the ideals and principles which they thought to be right; each believed in honesty and integrity; each believed in working to obtain the goals which they had set for themselves.

I believe that if we, as we pay respect to these two honorable men in the month of February, will try to pattern our lives after them and instill into our beings the qualities of character for which they stood, we will grow into the type of person who will be respected in any community in which we might live.

Let's take a few lessons from our first president, George Washington, and "Honest Abe" Lincoln and make something out of ourselves! It matters not who your parents are, what your name is, or what faith you claim. Just take Washington and Lincoln as examples of possibilities in America—Look at their backgrounds. Taking them as an example, can't you see that wealth and an aristocratic family or lack of wealth and a poor family does not determine, necessarily, the kind of person you make yourself? In this country of ours, anyone can move out of his own realm and into a higher one, so there is no excuse for a person not bettering his state.

All one needs, as these two exemplify, is a set of high ideals, diligence, and an attitude of kindness and respect for all types of people, in order to be a successful person.

I think it would be a great credit to us if we patterned our lives after these great Americans to whom we pay tribute during the month of February. I believe that with due consideration you, too, will agree with me.

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### Muchas Gracias (Much Thanks)

The TOM-TOM Staff is exceedingly happy. We are the exuberantly joyous owners of two beautiful, brand-new Royal typewriters.

For years it has been the cherished dream of the TOM-TOM to own a least one or two typewriters which really deserve the name. Few people can realize what frustration envelops a diligent typist who, on a frenzied press-day sits banging hopefully away on an inefficient, broken-down old machine, praying that somehow she will manage to finish in time the last minute articles which are coming her way in a seemingly endless stream. That is the situation which has faced the TOM-TOM'S typists for a long time, bringing both them and the sponsor and executive staff into numerous nerve-racking dilemmas which took their toll by lowering the quality of the paper itself.

But despite the havoc wrought by our battered old antiques, we have managed to survive until we have at last been given a helping hand by the Administration. No longer need we indulge in the use of rose-colored glasses because now our office is equipped with two of the sleekest, most beautiful Royals any Tom-Tom typist ever envisioned in her wildest dreams. And not only do we have two new additions, but one of our faithful oldsters has been given an entirely new lease on life by the repair man.

So, we of the TOM-TOM all join hands in extending to the members of the Administration who made possible these treasured additions to our office the biggest, most sincere THANK YOU we've ever given anyone!

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### Let's Make Springtime A "Sweeter" Season!

The season when a young man's fancy turns to love is fast drawing near. And with the approach of that beloved season, the winter months in which we may make preparations for spring are rapidly coming to an end.

Mother Nature herself can usually be depended upon to decorate the world with a lavish hand, but at times she requires assistance, and we feel that she will need some mortal help from us if the bare, debris-covered ground surrounding the spots where the building program has been in progress is to show any change with the advent of spring.

Of course, we realize that these unattractive spots were the unavoidable result of the great strides in improvement which East Central has recently undergone. But we are also of the opinion that none of the new additions can be shown off to advantage without the traditional setting of velvety grass. So, during the few remaining weeks of winter, let's get ready for Prosepine's return to her mother by planting now the seed which will make our campus a joy to behold when spring does come.

In order that the beauty of that grass carpet may be unmarred by man's careless cluttering, would it not be a good idea, also, to start now removing the stray papers, remains of the building, debris, such as that behind Neshoba Hall, the fallen-over, deteriorated ticket booths and fragments from stone benches and old wooden platforms now so obviously noticeable on both the the front and back campuses. In other words, wouldn't a clean-up campaign be perhaps a more effective way to "Welcome Sweet Spring-time" than merely to sing about it. The glee club will most likely take care of that part of it anyway. But those of us not gifted with melodious voices can "pick up" and "straighten up," and thus make Springtime a much "sweeter" season on the East Central Campus.

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### It's Going To Be A Lovely Day Tomorrow IF . . .

"A young boy was heard saying to a group of friends, 'It's going to be a lovely day tomorrow'. An older man who heard him say this, remarked, 'If tomorrow is a lovely day, it will be because you

and millions like you make it so. You have the biggest job of all times on your hands—the job of rebuilding America; of putting new and stronger foundations under our way of life."

Truly, we, as young people today, have a great responsibility in that we WILL shape the destiny of tomorrow's world.

So far, people have only scrat-

## In My Opinion . . .

By Walterine Herrington

"I pledge on my honor to uphold the ideals and principles of this college that it may grow stronger and greater and better.

I will so control myself, both on the campus and off the campus that my conduct will never reflect discredit upon the college or the student body.

I will respect and obey the rules and regulations and strive to arouse like respect in others.

These things will I do that student life in this college may reflect love, friendship and a spirit of service."

This is the pledge of the Women Student Government of East Central. In my opinion each student on the campus should take this pledge to heart and take it upon himself as a personal responsibility to carry it out, so that his college life will be a happy one, and one of which he will be proud.

"To uphold the ideals and principles of this college" should be the personal aim of each individual. Our college does have high ideas and praiseworthy principles upon which it is established. The ideals and principles have been upheld and raised by former students who left with us the responsibility and privilege of keeping these standards and ideals high. If we do this, then our school will "grow stronger and greater and better."

The second paragraph which deals with conduct is an important one about which each of us should think, and which each should heed. People judge our college by our conduct here on the campus, and off the campus as well. We should act in such a way that the public and other schools will think highly of East Central. This is especially important now, when the athletic groups and certain clubs are visiting other campuses. We must remember that the whole student body is judged by the actions of one group, so, let's conduct ourselves always in such a way that people will think the best of us and our school.

"I will respect and obey the rules and regulations and strive to arouse like respect in others." We know that where any group of people live together, there must be rules and regulations. Such is the case in this school. These rules aren't made to punish or inconvenience anyone. They have been planned and made for the best benefit of the student body as a whole. If we obey these rules and regulations, we will influence others to do the same, and then our school life will be happy and in harmony with others.

If we do these things, we will have the kind of college life that each of us wants—one that reflects "love, friendship, and a spirit of service."

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ched the surface, so to speak, of knowledge and accomplishment. If we, as young people, are to improve on this, we must get off to a good start—a better start than some of those before us. We need to prepare ourselves now so that we might head into the future with less fear and with more self-confidence. This world in which we live makes way for the youth who knows where he is going and what he wants.

This world of ours which seems to be in such an awful state of affairs now, can be straightened out and improved if we, as young people, have enough forethought to attempt to prepare ourselves now to meet the great challenge before us.

Since we are going to be left the task of the unfinished business of the world and since we are to be the creative pioneers of tomorrow's world, we will have to start now in preparing ourselves.

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## Social Highlights

Mrs. Frances Cook spent Thursday night with Miss Irma Jones at Hickory.

Miss Eva Nell Boggan spent last week end in the home of Jane Johnson of Walnut Grove.

Miss Margaret Gardner visited her sister, Freda Gardner, in the dormitory Friday night.

Mr. Jack Williamson visited on the campus last week end. He is now a student at Mississippi Southern.

Miss Barbara Husbands spent last weekend with Frances Cook in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Gemeny.

Miss Louise Dixon visited in the home of Beryle Womble of Louisville.

Miss Sara Williams visited in Carthage as the guest of her sis-

ter, who is a teacher in the high school there, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and daughter visited Peggy Hunt on the campus last week end.

Miss Shirley Hardy was recently the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coghlan of Newton.

Miss Mary Ann Bailey and Mr. Thomas E. Scoggin, both of Decatur, were joined together in matrimony January 27 in the home of the officiating minister, Rev. J. W. Cook.

Mrs. Scoggin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bailey and is a member of the sophomore class at East Central. Mr. Scoggin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Scoggin and is occupied in the lumber business. The young couple is, at the present, at the home of the parents of the bride

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Clyburn had as Sunday visitor, Mr. Frank Leach.

Mrs. Grace S. Gardner spent the weekend in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. S. Peek of Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Newsome had as recent guests Mrs. Newsome's nephew and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. John Weathersby from Coahoma.

A group of students battled against a team of faculty members Thursday night, February 8, in two volley ball games. The student team included Charles Duffey, Charles Williams, Sonny Latham, William Earl Young, Wallace Wall, James Cardwell, and Connie Smith. Faculty members participating in the games were Mr. John Grace, Mr. F. E. Leatherwood, Mr. Frank Leach, Mr. W. A. Vincent, Mr. Thomas McCann, Mr. C. A. Carter, and Mr. R. C. Roberts. The result was a two-fold victory for the faculty members with the scores 21-11 and 21-13.

## Light Bulb Discarded Two Decades Ago Furnishes Illumination On Campus Today

By JAN WEEMS

There is in a storage room in the administration building of ECJC, a peculiar looking light bulb, as a matter of fact, it's very peculiar looking. My first impression of this bulb was that it looked amazingly like a cucumber. As Mr. Miller flicked the light switch, I noticed that the bulb lighted slowly, beginning with a rosy glow and continuing until the room was flooded with light.

This bulb, found by Mr. Miller in a trash can outside Scott Hall in July, 1930, was one of Edison's first bulbs. Mr. Miller has been using it in a storage room ever since he found it twenty-one years ago!

Many changes have taken place since this bulb was found—changes in the world; changes at East Central. In 1930 Herbert Hoover was president of the United States, and our country was in the beginning throes of the depression of the thirties. It was in 1930 under the presidency of Mr. R. C. Pugh that the first college class graduated from East Central.

At that time, Decatur had no central sewage disposal system and no water system. Where the shops are now, there were barns. Behind Jackson Hall was a cottonfield where the proud owner bragged that he made a bale of cotton an acre. Where Newton Hall is now were the cattle and hog pens, which were very smelly if the wind blew from the wrong direction.

In 1930 there was not a foot of hard surface road on the campus or in Decatur. This year marked a renovation of the administration building and the grading off of the football field.

In 1937 came some very constructive changes for East Central. Not only was the administration building doubled in size, but Scott Hall, the present kitchen, and the extension of Jackson Hall on the north side, were built. The campus had been greatly improved the year before when the front road was blacktopped.

With the year 1945 came the construction of Newton and Winston Hall, all three apartment buildings, and the shop buildings. This year also brought another great improvement; the cattle and hog pens were moved, and the present barns built.

Thus we see that much has happened during the life of one little light bulb. This bulb has seen our boys leave twice with the National Guard to do their country's bidding. It has watched East Central progress from a non-credited school to a position of equality with the best junior colleges in the nation. It has seen the rise of junior colleges from struggling institutions with poor facilities and untrained teachers to an established place in the educational world, with well-trained faculties and attractive and adequate facilities.

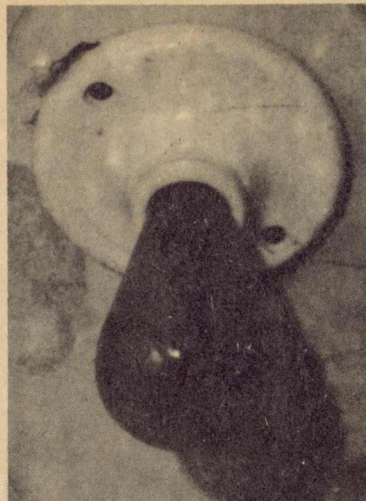
This little bulb has watched other light bulbs of its kind being improved and developed into such efficiency as is seen in the fluorescent lights now installed in the newly erected buildings on the campus. The life of one light bulb has seen the development of jets, radar, television, atomic and hydrogen bombs, as well as many other amazing changes. What will another twenty years bring?

Will Mr. Miller's little light bulb still be sending out its delicate rosy beam to cheer the rugged (?) pathway of East Central scholars in 1971?

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ship award and the Balfour award. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bridges. She graduated from Noxapater High school where she took an active part in



HISTORIC LIGHT BULB

Y-Teens and F.H.A.

Glen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tildon Eaves of Louisville, graduated from Ellison Ridge High school. He was an active participant in 4-H club, glee club, basketball, and dramatics. He received the citizenship award for being the best all-round student.

Jany's Ming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ming, graduated from Bond High school as valedictorian of her class. She was an active member of F.H.A. and

## Mrs. L. D. Ferguson Resigns as Member Of Business Staff

Mrs. L. D. Ferguson has resigned from the business staff to go to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to join her husband, Captain Ferguson, who will be stationed there for fourteen weeks' training.

Mrs. Ferguson joined the business staff as an accounting clerk, September, 1950.

Mrs. Ferguson is being replaced by Mrs. E. W. Terrell, the wife of Mr. Terrell, vocational co-ordinator here at East Central.

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took part in dramatics.

Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Richardson of Louisville, graduated from Calhoun High school. While there, she was a member of the basketball team and took part in dramatics.

Martha is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Milling of Union. She graduated from Union High school as salutatorian of her class. She received the highest honor in music, also receiving her music diploma. Martha was accompanist for the Union High Glee club.

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# Cupid Victims Of International Crisis



Couples, Ain't Love Grand If Uncle Sam Leaves Your Man Alone?



Girls, Loneliness Has Its Compensation When The Mail Trains Run.



Something is different about this campus. Why, just take a peek at the wistful, dreamy expressions on the faces of many of the girls. What in the world has happened? And notice the glowing faces of the few couples to be seen!

Why I know what's up. This is Cupid's holiday, St. Valentine's Day, and the forlorn expressions are to be found on the countenances of girls whose boy friends have exchanged their college garb for the very unique costumes provided by our own Uncle Sam. These poor, desolate creatures are spending the most romantic day of the year in solitude.

But the sparse scattering of couples are quite obviously mak-

ing the most of the occasion and the sight of their sparkling eyes is enough to drive any lonely girl to distraction.

But as the day goes by, and the boxes of candy, jewelry, glittering valentines, and most of all, the heartwarming letters, begin to trickle in, a decided change in taking place around the campus. The atmosphere suddenly changes and my poor eyes are simply dazzled by stars escaping from the eyes of the "poor, forlorn girls" whose plight had so moved me.

The adage, "absence makes the heart grow fonder" is undoubtedly true. At least I was certainly given that impression by the colossal mound of gifts and letters which I observed upon walking into the boudoir of one lonely lassie with the intention of imparting a bit of sunshine into her tragic life.

Judging on the basis of my observations let me pass along this little bit of inside information. No matter how unfortunate our faithful coeds may have seemed, their plight wasn't really so desperate after all! "Love Always Finds A Way" or as expressed on one of the Valentines received by a prominent member of the

#### Lonely Hearts' Club:

You're always in my thoughts, Sweetheart,  
And more and more it seems  
You are the most important part  
Of all my plans and schemes.

And, Sweetheart, all the love for you  
That's in my heart each day  
Will just grow deeper, sweeter,  
too

Along life's future way.

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## Here And There Among the Colleges

#### FAULTS OF DATES

Recent survey, taken by The Helios of Canton High School, gives the dating faults of boys as seen by girls.

Leading the list were: calling a girl for a date at the last minute, not telling her where they were going so that she would know how to dress, and always wanting to park. One girl summed up this last complaint by

saying, "They won't spend but a dime on you, and then they want to squeeze fifty cents out of you." There was a definite dislike for boys who call a girl, asking, "What are you doing tonight?", leaving no way out if she doesn't have a date, and also not telling his name at the beginning of the conversation. Other complaints were taking too much for granted, bragging, talking other girls, trying to show off or acting like big shots to impress people, telling dirty jokes, and shooting the same line to every girl.

#### "VICE-VERSA BALL"

Students at Arkansas Polytechnic College recently had a "vice-versa ball."

Admission was fifty cents, hag or drag. No stag boys were allowed. Girls asked boys for dates, called for the boys at the boy's dorms. Boy had to sign out, and the girls had to have the boys in by eleven p. m.

Queen of the ball was a handsome lad, elected by the girls, who was announced as "queen" during the intermission of the ball.

**COLLEGES LACK DEMOCRACY**  
Blaming excessive timidity of college administrators for "what-ever communistic tendencies there

are in American colleges today." Dr. Douglas McGregor, president of Antioch College, recently declared that "college administration and classroom teaching are both authoritative."

"The student is supervised to death. He lives in a world of rigid rules and regulations and of petty dictatorship. Student governments is of limited value since only unimportant responsibilities are genuinely delegated."

The antidote, he asserted, is genuine self-government in our colleges. "Democracy is more a word than a fact in the lives of our young people because we preach its virtues while denying them the opportunity to learn from experience how to govern themselves."

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# RIGLER RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

A clipping from the "Columbia (South Carolina) State" gives the following lineup after a game between Miller Tire Service and the 932nd Field Artillery Battalion of Fort Jackson, S. C.:

Sessums	25
Robinson	11
Bracken	12
Ware	0
Hurst	8

Substitutes: Turner 0, Wall 0, Lasseter 1.

East Central travel to Columbia for a basketball game? No, but it is East Central's own boys who were called into Federal service from the local basketball team.

We didn't know Ware but we do know the other seven men of the team and according to the lineup they seem to be doing all right.

From another source we find that they have won more games than they have lost and from our own experience we know that it will take a good team to defeat them.

## Summit, site of Girls Tourney

The 1951 girls junior college basketball tournament will be held in the Summit gymnasium this week-end, February 22, 23 and 24. As this paper goes to press brackets and schedules are not yet available.

However we do know that whenever East Central does enter we will be behind them, hoping they will win. And they have a good chance to win too. They have greatly improved since the first of the season, and have defeated many of the state's best teams.

## Boys Meet Wesson

As the local girls are playing in the tournament at Summit, the boys will play Wesson on the local court Saturday night. This is their last game before the boys' tournament begins March 1.

The boys' tournament will be played on the local court, giving local fans an excellent opportunity to see many good cage games. Finals are to be played March 3.

## East Central Teams Take Top Scores In Moorhead Game

East Central's five topped Moorhead 58 to 45 to complete a victorious doubleheader Saturday night, Feb. 10th. The local lassses had emerged victorious 59 to 45 in the preliminary tilt.

Jackie Ethridge led Decatur's scorers with sixteen points. Hurt scored the same amount for Moorhead but had less help from his comrades. Half time score was Decatur 31, Moorhead 14.

A total of 27 points by Joan Meador aided greatly in Decatur's girls' team's victory. Margie Melton followed closely behind with 21 points. Moorhead's chief scorer was Davis with 19 points.

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## Warriors And Warriorettes Lost To Scooba Teams

East Central faced double defeats Monday night as they traveled to Scooba for a pair of basketball games.

Robinson led the scoring for the night with 15 points as Scooba's boys defeated the Warrior squad 59 to 49. High score for East Central was Bat Johnson who scored 12; Sam Thomas and Jackie Ethridge followed closely with eleven points each.

Decatur's girl squad also found East Mississippi too much and were defeated 44 to 36. Serry led the scoring with 20 points for Scooba. Ann Kirkpatrick made 19 points for East Central.

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## Roving Reporter on Railroad Strike

In this issue we shall center our attention on a nation-wide disturbance—the railroad strike that has been foremost in the eyes of everyone recently.

The first person that I approached on this subject was a member of the faculty, Mr. T. R. McCann. In making a statement about the strike he said that he was really in sympathy with it, even though his prejudice enters into his viewpoint. It seems that some members of his family belong to the Union and with this in mind Mr. McCann said, "I think they have a right to strike!"

Joella Chipley, just as many other East Centralers who haunt the post office, thought of the many sad and disillusioned people who find an empty post-office box when she commented on the strike. She said, "I think they should go back to work so the mail can come through. Also it would be beneficial to the many travelers if work would be resumed."

Seeing Jerry Williamson next, I asked him his opinion of the railroad strike. He thought a minute and then said, "I think it could have been avoided, especially with the world situation being in such a critical condition. I really don't think a strike is ever necessary, especially when the nation is involved in war and it is so essential for supplies and equipment to reach the front lines."

Miss Mary Ellen Richards, when asked her opinion on the strike, said that she didn't know enough about the factors involved to make an intelligent statement about this particular strike, but speaking about strikes in general she commented, "Strikes are abominable! Even though there may be some good from strikes, I think that people should find some other way of settling disagreements rather than putting people out of work."

## Coach Hillery Horne Resigns Position -

### Head Mentor Accepts Position At Tulsa U.

A familiar face and voice will soon be missed on our campus. Coach Hillery Horne, head football coach for the past three years, has accepted the position of line coach at the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma. His new position begins March first.

D. Todd, college president, expresses regret over Coach Horne's leaving and said that all will miss him. He made the statement that Coach Horne has always been cooperative, energetic, and has shown ability in his handling of the teams.

Coach Horne is originally from Kosciusko, Mississippi. He played football while in high school there. While attending Mississippi State, he continued his football career. After graduating from Mississippi State, he coached at Centerville, Mississippi, one year. He then went to Panama City, Fla., where he coached during the next three years. Coach Horne came to East Central in August, 1948. E. C. J. C. at that time had made almost no plans for a team that year. With his excellent coaching and "persuading", he built in the following three years one of the best teams in the Junior College Conference.

In addition to coaching East



COACH HILLERY HORNE

Central's team, Coach Horne has a football team of his own, or at least the beginnings of one. He is justly proud of his two small sons, Roy Allen and Eugene. Roy Allen isn't very active in football yet, but "Gene" seems quite apt at it, and perhaps in the future "Gene" Horn will make football history.

Coach Horne, when approached, in the student center, on the subject of his leaving East Central, made this statement, "I have enjoyed my stay at Decatur and my work. However, my new job is at a senior college and is an advanced position. I have many friends here and I hate to leave."

## Decatur Debaters . . . Continued from Page 1

The debate question was—Resolved that the Non-Communist Nations should form a New International organization.

Each team debated against both Poplarville and Ellisville.

Winners of the tournament were judged by the number of points scored. East Central's debate team was second in the highest number of points with a grand total of 1910 in four debates, which is extremely high. According to jud-

ges the calibre of debating was excellent and the teams were all commended for their high grade of work.

These girls will enter as the same debate team for East Central in the Magnolia Speech Festival to be held at M. S. C. W. on March 2nd and 3rd. Mr. Slothower, Director of Speech Department, states, "I am very pleased with the fine showing made by our team at Poplarville, and feel that, with another two weeks to polish our material, the teams will go to M. S. C. W. and really do a fine job."

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## Jimmy Arrington Speaks to Student Body in Assembly

Students of East Central were given some very good advice, as well as entertainment by the guest speaker Tuesday, Feb. 6, in chapel. The speaker was Mississippi's own talented Jimmy Arrington.

Jimmy was born and reared at Collins, Mississippi, where he was a pupil of the president of East Central, L. O. Todd. A much sought-after speaker, all over the United States where he is known as an extremely clever speaker, Mr. Arrington immediately caught and kept the attention of his audience with his ready wit.

He stated that his speech had no subject; "it certainly did not." His reason for having no subject was that everyone would forget it, if he did have one.

Mr. Arrington, after having travelled all over the United States, says that Mississippi is the most wonderful state in the Union, the land of opportunity. He remarked that although many people of other states believe that no good can come from Mississippi, we in Mississippi know that it can.

People in Mississippi may be compared, continuer the speaker, to a group of sailors dying of thirst at sea who, seeing another

ship nearby, wigwaggled for help. The captain of the other ship told them to let their buckets down where they were. They did and found fresh water. They had been dying of thirst and all the time they were over fresh water.

The idea which Mr. Arrington evidently had in mind to emphasize was that Mississippians are in the state of opportunity, but are leaving the state to search for it. If each youth in the state take Mr. Arrington's friendly and wise advice, Mississippi, the speaker seems sincerely to believe, will become the greatest state in the Union; "It most certainly will!"

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### It's Going To Be . . .

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ves to accept this great responsibility.

You, who are here at this college, and thousands like you in other colleges and universities of our land will be the leaders among the pioneers of tomorrow. And nowhere, other than in school, could a person get the background that would help him in his task of attempting to improve the world. We owe it to ourselves, our country, and all of mankind to try to gain all the knowledge possible at the present in order that we might apply it to the problems that lie out ahead of us.

I believe that if we have any responsibility or fortitude about

us at all, we will try to get as much out of each day of school as we possibly can. There's no time to waste time—the course of human events will be profoundly affected by boys and girls who make good use of their time now. Unless we devote our time in preparation for the future, we will not be among tomorrow's real pioneers.

Since we, as young people, are to shape the destiny of tomorrow's world, we **MUST** prepare ourselves today to meet that responsibility.

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### Girls' Open House . .

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the basis of cleanliness. Other points of judging were attractiveness, planning in the room and the general appearance.

Judges were as follows: first floor, Miss Helen Sparks, Mr. Arno Vincent, and Mrs. Keith Slothower; second floor, Mrs. A. D. Clyburn, Mrs. L. O. Todd, and Mr. W. A. Walker; third floor, Miss Eunice Eilau, Mrs. Frank Cross, and Mr. Thomas McCann.

### Ping Pong Tourney Is New Event At EC

Something new in the way of sports events has appeared on the calendar of activities at East Central. The first ping pong tournament in the history of the school is now in progress.

Both boys and girls are having

a very exciting time during their vacant periods at the Student Center since the tournament has begun. Much interest is being shown among all participants and spectators. The boys' tournament which started last Thursday is partially in the third bracket, while the girls are in the second bracket.

Boys entering this tournament are: W. A. Pogue, Rudolph Mayes, Jim Howard, Phillip Hutton, Pete Smith, Jackie Ethridge, Joe Reeves, Wallace Wall, Edward Denson, Murray Germany, W. H. Johnson, "Bat" Johnson, F. E. Leatherwood, Billy Thames, Jack

Bynum, V. C. Marter, J. B. Bickstaff, William Harris, Glen Eaves, Richard Harris, James L. Massey, "Goose" Williams, Jack Calhoun and Charles Duffee.

Girls entering are: Quantilla Duffee, Barbara Wright, Lucille Wood, Mary F. Eason, Olive Doyle, Miss Eilau, Louise Rives, Billie Wright.

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More dances on the weekends are requested by bored students at Mississippi Southern. Other suggestions were movies, teas, bowling, more home basketball games, and even Saturday classes!

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## Seven-Hundred Enjoy Senior Day Festivities

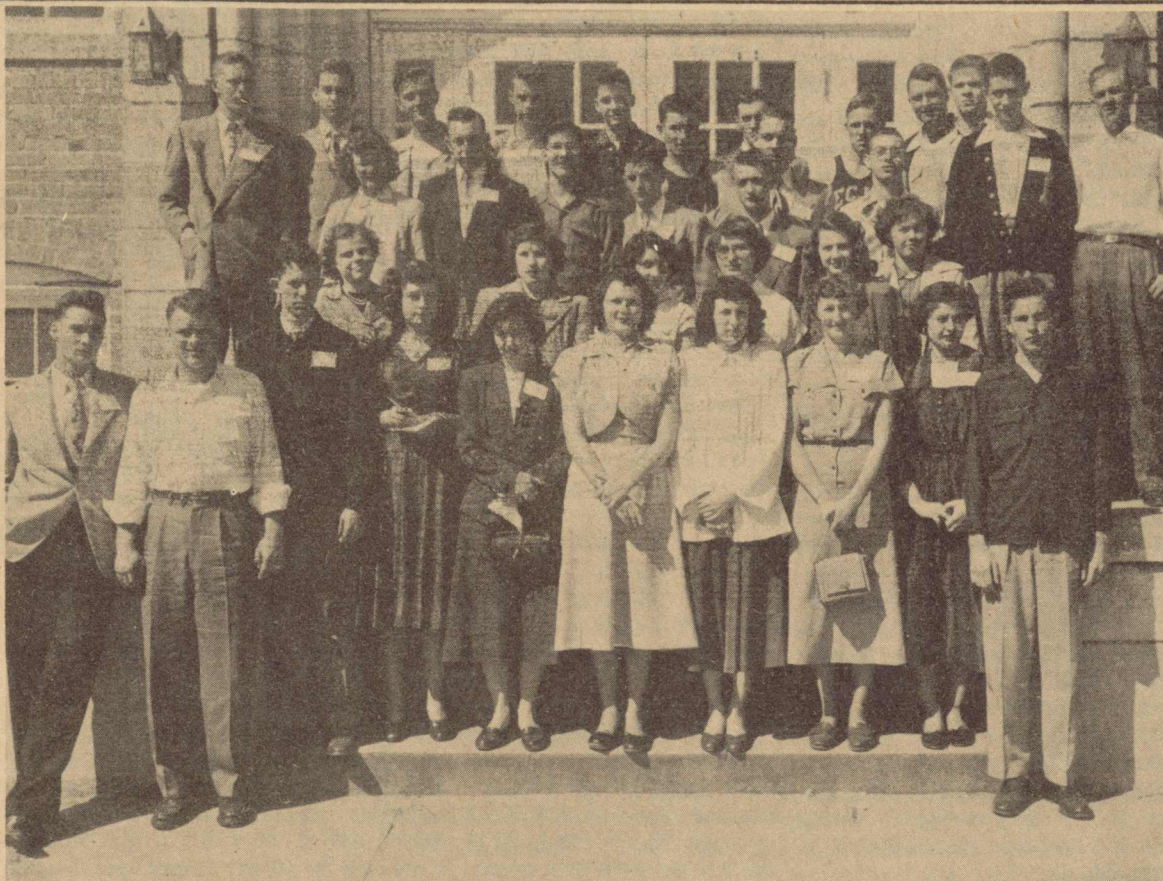
### Unique Program Climaxes Senior Day In Gymnasium

An informative, interesting and entertaining schedule of events kept the seniors of this district without a dull moment on Senior Day, held here last Thursday.

Upon arriving on the Campus, the seniors were met by their guides and carried for a tour of the grounds and buildings. Demonstrations were given by some of the departments, and in the gymnasium, exhibits were displayed by various clubs and curriculum groups on the campus.

Following completion of the tours, the featured program of the day was presented in the gymnasium. Master of ceremonies, Lamar Weems, was introduced by James Bradford, over-all chairman of the Senior Day Planning Committee. The Welcome Address was given by Sara Williams, President of the Women's Student Government Organization.

After preliminary musical numbers by Barbara Husbands, vocalist, and Jane Johnson, pianist, a radio show, under the direction (Continued On Page Five)



Senior Class Presidents. Front row: left to right—Barthel Waggoner, Ludlow; Randolph Richmond, Freeny; Jerry Dawson, Walnut Grove; Florence Barrett, Lobutcha; Shirley Beadle, Lena; Johnnie Morrell, Harperville; Patsy Moore, Bloomo; Cassie Newsom, Edinburg; Melva Goodin, Ellison Ridge; Billy K. McPhaail, Madden. Second row: left to right—Margaret Walters, Ring Gold; Retha Jean Waggoner, Clifton; Mildred Bland, Zephyr Hill; Ruth Warren, East Neshoba; Annie Laurie Horne, Forest. Third row: left to right—Mabeline Roberts, Branch; Jack Hollingsworth, Good Hope; Bill Lane, Union; Lavoy Goforth, Beulah-Hubbard; James Leach, Conehatta; Donald Hatch, Morton; Gerald Cook, Decatur; Carroll Russell, Bonnie Winstead. Fourth row: left to right—Gene Thompson, Arlington; Harold Mayo, Coldwater; Royce Luke, Bond; Billy Joe French, Sebastopol; "Bud" Williams, Philadelphia; Jerry Moore, Barnes; Ralph Wallace, Carthage; John Marley, Newton; Jerry Loper, Linwood.

### Forty-Five Schools Are Represented In Gala Occasion Louisville Leads in Number

Forty-five high schools with a total of seven hundred seniors attended the annual Senior Day held at East Central Junior College Thursday, March 22.

For the second consecutive year Louisville led the parade with the largest number of seniors—fifty six this year—with Newton running a close second with thirty-nine.

Neshoba County led with the largest county representation, having total of 157 seniors. Newton County was runner-up with 148, followed by Scott with 145, Leake 122, and Winston 102.

Following are the names of the seniors present with their respective counties and schools:

#### Neshoba County Leads With 157

PHILADELPHIA — 28: James Bassett, Billy Cole, Ted Crosswell, Willard Cumberland, Bobby Hardy, Charles Williams, Betty Carter, Jane Coghlan, Sarah Darby, Dorothy Sue Farish, Martha Freeny, Mable Gray, Carol Graves, Joyce King, Carolyn Majure, Bobbie May, Mary Lou Mayo, Lavinia Mooney, Martha McCullough, Carole McNeil, Martha Parker, Dorothy Roper, Sylvia Sanford, Joyce Smith, Christine Stewart, Ouida Yates and Bobbie Poole.

HOUSE—24: Patsy Smith, Dorothy Killen, Effie Kilpatrick, Elizabeth Williams, Claudine Jeffcoats, Zelma Winstead, Bonnie Kate Bounds, Elizabeth Winstead, Kate Culberson, Mamie Lois Eldridge, Mary Stephens, Bernice Wilkerson, Patsy Chaney, Alice Rose McKenion, Sarah Dallas, Billy Weatherford, Travis Tidwell, Muriel Collins, Earl Rigdon, Ray Munn, Eric Pierce, Bobby Dallas, and Verdel Herrington.

EAST NESHOPA—15: Mavis McDaniel, Syble Burton, Ruth Warren, Bobbie Kilpatrick, Allen Hendrix, Sammie Dees, Johnnie Hall, Lora Alawine, Trudie Stovall, Harold Lewis, Nelson Alford, Kenneth Madison, J. W. Eakes, Mrs. J. H. Warren, sponsor, and C. E. Wilkerson, Supt.

COLDWATER—7: Joyce King, Shirley Guthrie, Peggy Payne, Wynell Johnson, Harold Mayo, Pauline Harris, and Nancy Parker.

LINWOOD—12: Ida Jean Clark, Iva Lou Conn, Virginia Kelly, Roger Clark, Buddy Spears, Randolph Stuart, Kenneth Ming, Paul Johnson, Herman Eldridge, and Jerry Loper.

DIXON—5: Betsy Gilmer, Julia Faye Watkins, Johnny Hurt, Binford Watkins, and Mrs. James Thomas, sponsor.

ARLINGTON—25: Carolyn Fox, Sue Burchfield, Hilda Johnson, Eunice Salter, Mattie Mae Jones, Lavada Williamson, Emma Sue Stuart, Billy Nowell, Willie Joe Adcock, Dewitt Richardson, Gene Thompson, Dwana Deweese, Roma Jean Ryals, Yvonne Tew, Ilene McCown, Ralph Byars, Marveline Ferguson, Billy Barrett, Essie Greenlee, Reva Jean Deweese, Louise Perkins, Wausie Lane Burkes, John Stuart, Arden Blount, (Continued on Page Three)

### Calendar of Events

- March 30—Baptist Revival begins
- April 10—Recital
- April 11—Tom-Tom Banquet
- April 12—Style Show
- April 13—Junior-Senior Banquet
- April 16—Senior Play
- April 17—Senior Play and Student Activities Committee Banquet
- Apr. 19—Baptist Student Union Banquet
- April 20—F. T. A. Play
- April 23-27—Religious Emphasis Week
- May 3-4—Spring Dramatic Production
- May 15—Birthday Supper

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### Frederic Balazs Renowned Violinist To Appear On Decatur Campus

Frederic Balazs, renowned Hungarian Violinist, will make his third appearance on the stage of the Little Auditorium on Monday, April 9.

Mr. Balazs was born in Budapest, Hungary in December, 1919. At the age of five he became a regular student in the Royal Academy of Music in Budapest, and spent the following fourteen

### Student Loan Fund Is Made Available To Mississippians

Mississippi students need no longer use finances as an excuse for not getting a college education. The Permanent Student Loan Fund of Field Co-operative Association, Inc., stands ready to (Continued On Page Eight)

years in extensive study of practically all phases of musical knowledge including composition and conducting. His years of study were rewarded when he was unanimously selected by an international jury and audience for the coveted Remenyi Prize in Violin.

In the summer of 1940, following a successful tour of Switzerland he was notified that the U. S. Consul was considering granting him a visa to enter this country. The twenty-year old youth arrived in the States with one suit of clothes, his violin and umbrella and twenty-one cents.

Since that time he has been Director of the Woodstock, New York Summer Music Festival, and was first violinist in its string quartet and conductor of the Festival Orchestra. He made solo appearances with the New York City Symphony Orchestra.

In 1948 he met and married the former Ann Goodwin, well known and talented pianist. Although she is a solo pianist in her own right, and her annual tours create wide-spread interest and very favorable reviews, she is also the accompanist for her husband, and a partner in joint recitals of the great works of violin-piano literature.

### New Drafting Plans For Tng. Entrance Are Released By V. A.

In a recent communication from the Veteran's administration to the dean's office it was learned that new rules have been established regarding entrance and continuance of training during the summer of 1951 and the subsequent fall and winter terms. These rules were established to clarify the July 25, 1951 deadline date for recipients of G. I. benefits.

The new rules are as follows:

1. Veterans enrolled in Junior College and planning to return this fall may re-enter at that time without any action on their part.
2. If they are completing their work here this spring and plan to enter a senior college in the fall, they must submit a written application to the V. A. on V. A. form 7-1905e before the end of the current spring semester.
3. Veterans enrolled in high school who plan to enter junior college in the fall must also submit a written request to the V. A. before the end of the spring term.
4. Veterans who are now in training, but desire to take a course of training at this institution must enter training on or before July 25, 1951.
5. Veterans currently enrolled in a vocational course must remain in a continuous training course through both summer and winter sessions.
6. Veterans who are in the teaching profession may enter training this summer prior to July 25, 1951, and resume their training the succeeding summer, provided they resume their teach-

### Four EC Students Achieve High Level In Scholastic Work

Seventy-seven students made a scholastic honor in the college division the past six weeks and fourteen high school students also attained honors.

Three sophomores and one freshman made special distinction, twenty-four students made honor roll, and forty-nine made honorable mention in college, while two students in high school made honor roll, and twelve made honorable mention.

Students meriting honors in the various levels are as follows:

Special Distinction, (A average)—Homer Horace McCown, Martha S. Milling, Ina Nell Myatt, and Mary Louise Ware; Honor Roll (B plus or better)—Sara Emma Aycock, Eugene Finley Aydelotte, Mrs. Pat Wright Brown, Tiny Toella Chipley, Patsy Ruth Cleveland, Sarah Warner Craft, Marzine Dove, Mike Devon Gamblin, Clara Annie Hardy, Nancy Dell Herrington, Walterine Herrington, Barbara Lynn Husbands, Johnny Reed Jones, William Fred Jones, Joan Faith Meador, Walterine Moore, Barbara Ann Nicholson, Marlene Sigrest, Janiece Smith, Jane Todd, Jan Laverage Weems, William Lamar Weems, Sara Aletha Williams, Beryle Holton Womble.

Those making Honorable Mention (B or better) are: Murray Elmo Allen, May Joyce Ashley, Eva Nell Bogan, James Thomas (Continued On Page Seven)

ing status each fall and remain in the teaching field.



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## Cooperation Did It!

Senior Day, the long awaited event, has come and gone. All that remain now are pleasant memories of the day. Yes, the fourth annual Senior Day event was indeed a success!

No single individual "put over" East Central's 1951 Senior Day; no one group made the event the success that it was. It was done by everyone working together—the entire student body, the faculty and everyone else connected with the campus in any way. Never before have the students of East Central worked together and cooperated with one another so splendidly as they did for this particular Senior Day. The campus was just alive with school spirit and hard working energy weeks before the actual event came off.

For making this Senior Day the day it was, it seems fitting that everyone should be commended for such an enormous task. However, it would be humanly impossible to give credit to every group or department that made a contribution to the activities of the day. I would like to mention, though, what a splendid job the overall committee did, the committee that planned the program and everyone who participated in it, those who sent our invitations and then greeted the visitors when they arrived, those students and sponsors who prepared exhibits and all those who helped on the tours merit commendation. Congratulations also go to the food committee, who boxed the lunches for that picnic on the front lawn, and to Mr. Becker and members of the Art Department who labored so untiringly in painting the lettering posters for various departments and clubs on the campus.

Senior Day, 1951, was indeed all that anyone could have hoped for and even more. To see the smiles on the senior's faces was enough thanks for all the time and effort it did take to "put over" the event.

Here, again I would like to say, "Thanks, East Central and congratulations for making Senior Day the success it was!"

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## Formula For Friendship Is-Like Other People

Do you want people to like you? Why of course you do. There is an innate desire in every one of us to be held in high esteem by our associates; not even the most sophisticated of us is completely oblivious to public opinion.

So, if we're normal human beings, we're deeply interested in having others like us. Well, there's one simple little formula which, we believe, will produce amazingly gratifying results in ninety-nine per cent of the cases in which it is applied. There are no magic words to be repeated, no world-shaking feats of heroism to be performed. The formula lies imbedded in three single little words: LIKE OTHER PEOPLE.

Like other people, and they will almost inevitably reciprocate with the same feeling toward you. However, as we analyze this seemingly simple device for winning friends, we discover that there are more angles to the proposition than we saw at the first glance.

Four distinct methods for liking people and, as a consequence incurring their good will, are set forth by Dr. William J. Reilly in the February issue of Your Life. According to Dr. Reilly in this article, which is called "People Will Think You're Wonderful," you must first accept people as they really are. Sometimes this proves to be quite difficult, especially for those of us who have a yearning for perfection and are perpetually engaged in correcting what we don't like about our associates. Usually, though, all we get for our efforts is the ill will of the individual toward whom they are directed.

Second, says Dr. Reilly, we should listen to other peoples' suggestions and comply with them whenever we possibly can. Apparently, some people believe that disagreeing with everything uttered in their presence is a mark of independence. We work at cultivating this trait as though it were the most admirable of characteristics.

As a third requirement for making people think we're wonderful, we must let them know we're interested in them. We are all acquainted with the self-centered individual whose sole conversational topic is himself. Naturally, we are all interested in our own welfare, but wouldn't the world be in a tragic plight if none of us thought of nothing but the personal aspects of every situation in which we find ourselves involved?

Finally, wherever we go we can look for the good points in people and for any of their achievements that can be praised. Dr. Reilly says that we should build people up, not tear them down. We wholeheartedly agree with him.

Every person on this campus has seen all of these rules put

into daily practice by a lady who is, beyond the shadow of a doubt, one of the most beloved characters in this state. There's not a person who has ever come into Mrs. Newsome's presence who did not leave with a much better opinion of himself and the world in general. Judging from the reverence manifested toward this gracious lady by everyone who has ever known her, wouldn't you say that the practice of "liking people" pays big dividends. We certainly think so!

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## Campus Christianity

By LOUISE WARE

A few weeks ago I happened to be present in a church where a young boy, just beginning his ministry, was to deliver the evening message. As he took his stand behind the pulpit, I thought how young and tender he looked standing there alone on the stage. I looked behind him and saw hanging on the wall a big picture of Christ kneeling in the garden of Gethsemane; and as I remembered these words of our Lord: "My grace is sufficient for thee; for my strength is made perfect in weakness," I knew this young preacher wasn't alone for Christ was there with him. Christ was on the stage beside him giving him strength in his weaknesses and comfort in his fears.

How wonderful it is to look at a person and behind that life see Jesus. A life spent in portraying the power and love of our Savior would be a life well spent. An example of this is found in the life of John Wesley. One day as Wesley was preaching to a vast multitude of people in a down-trodden section of London, two ruffians appeared at the edge of the crowd. They said to one another: "Who is this preacher? We'll show him. What right has he to come here spoiling our fun?" They reached down and took a stone in each hand. They drew back their arms with the stones, ready to hurl them in his face, when as Wesley was talking about the power of Christ to change the lives of sinful men, a beauty spread over his face and transformed him with its effulgence. They stood transfixed, their arms poised in the air. One turned to the other and said: "He ain't a man, Bill, he ain't a man." The stones fell from their hands and as Wesley spoke, their hearts were softened.

When the sermon was over and Wesley was making his way thru the crowd, one of the ruffians timidly reached out his hand to touch the hem of the preacher's garment and as he did so, Wesley's attention was drawn to him and his companions. He put out his two hands and placed them on the heads of these two ruffians and said: "He is a man, Bill, he is a man like God."

Just before Jesus was crucified he gave a commandment to his disciples to love on another, even as He had loved them and by this all men would know that they were his disciples. No greater power ever existed than the power of the love of Jesus Christ.

He died that we might know this love. As we go along our way in life, may we each dip our hearts in His love and bind it with His will, so that men will know that we have been to Jesus and are His disciples.

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## In My Opinion

By MURRAY YALLEN

Now that we have finished the first half of this semester we should begin to think about our responsibility to our friends back home who are finishing high school this semester. Senior Day, graduation, and other events are turning their attention to college. There are many questions in the mind of the average senior which cannot be answered in one visit to a college on Senior Day. One of these questions will be: Can I pass in college? Before I came to college, I had the idea that a person had to be almost a genius to make honor roll in college. Probably a lot of other people have this mistaken idea. You can tell them that with a little more

studying they can make as good if not better grades in college than they did in high school. I think you will find this true in most cases.

Another question will probably be; just what do you do in college? In my opinion a good answer to this question would be to describe an average day you have spent in college. You will probably say that they would be bored listening to you, but if they are really interested in college, they will be glad to listen to you and will probably ask for more.

Another helpful suggestion would be to give the person an idea of the kinds of clothes needed while at college. This will keep them from running home every day to get some clothes they forgot to bring.

Above all else be careful of what you say about college life. Don't give them the impression that everything is bad. Give them examples of the good and bad things they can expect in college.

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## EC Calendar Boys Bring Newest Slant Freshman Talent

Boy, is there talent in the Freshman Class! Never has it been exhibited, however, as artfully and as completely as on Tuesday night the thirteenth of March, when the E. C. J. C. Freshmen of 1951 put on their annual talent show.

In costumes varying from diapers and bathing suits to tuxedos and evening dresses, the Freshmen students presented a program fresh and entertaining. Selections varied from hilarious readings, a negro dialect story, and piano jazz to song and dance routines, quartets, and an accordion solo—all set off and highlighted by several novelty group numbers.

Deserving special praise for his noteworthy performance is Connie Smith, who kept the show moving at a spirited pace with his natural humor and ability as Master of Ceremonies. Dressed immaculately in a black tux, he added a professional touch to the entertainment. His versatility was shown further as he captured the audience's attention with his rendition of two well known songs.

Adding a note of hilarity and lighthearted humor to the program, was a burlesque of the faculty by the students in which each teacher's little mannerisms and sayings were dramatized and magnetized as they were pictured in a faculty meeting.

The highlight of the program, however, was a hit parade of the E. C. J. C. Calendar Boys of 1951, introduced and presented by Miss Betty Payne to the tune of "Ain't She Sweet."

First, bringing in the New Year was none other than "Baby Face" Holloway, clad stylishly and appropriately for the occasion in a diaper. As he crawled gracefully across the stage, the little darling's winning smile stole the hearts of his admiring audience, and his gay cooing added a note of festivity to the occasion.

Representing February, Cupid's month, was the darling of the football team, "Sweetheart" Lowry. Looking like a tasty peppermint stick in his pink and white backless, strapless ensemble, our heroine strolled casually across the stage.

Because of circumstances beyond Freshman control, March failed to blow in, so April made her appearance—April, the month for spring showers. And all prepared for the weather was our next model, Janie Breland, wear-

## Roving Reporter on SENIOR DAY

Senior Day, a memorable event in the lives of all seniors, gave your Roving Reporter a busy time. She had quite a time weaving in and out among the vast throngs of seniors but being a very, shall we say, determined person, she succeeded in meeting and talking to quite a few of the day's visitors.

The first person that was seen casually strolling around the campus enjoying the festivities of Senior Day was Charlotte Lewis, lovely senior from Union. Before the Tom-Tom reporter asked her first question, "what feature of senior day impressed you most," Charlotte explained, "I just can't wait until I get in that chemistry lab."

Sylvia Sanford, popular and well-known senior from Philadelphia, enjoyed the entire day to the utmost! She thought the program was grand and especially enjoyed the boys—calendar boys to be exact. Sylvia was still bemoaning the fact that the tours didn't include Winston Hall.

Shirley Upton who hails from Walnut Grove and who plans to attend ECJC next year, said that if she had not already decided to come to ECJC, senior day would certainly influence her to do so. Shirley enjoyed the entire day but said that the friendly, hospitable atmosphere which prevailed on the campus and which was so characteristic of the student body impressed her more than anything else.

Billie Albert Easom, well-known senior from Sebastopol, thinks that senior day is a wonderful idea since it helps to acquaint the students with the campus. Billie enjoyed the tours very much, since it gave him an opportunity to view the Industrial Dept. in which he is very much interested.

A popular senior from Carthage, Odena Quick, said, "I've enjoyed the entire day, but I'm tired!" Odena was especially interested in the Art Department and thoroughly enjoyed the time spent there.

Martha Humphries, cute little senior from Noxapater, thinks the idea of senior day is grand! she said, "I've enjoyed everything and have even picked out my room for next year!"

John Rudolph Ellis, well known senior, from Louisville was especially interested in the agriculture department and said he received much information concerning this department in the different features of the day. He thought the calendar boys and girls was a very unique idea and enjoyed it very much.

Pauline Harris and Wynell Johnson from Coldwater thought the program was wonderful! When asked what part of the program did "you enjoy best," both pondered the question a moment and then exclaimed, "Oh, the calendar boys and girls!"

Popular senior from Ellison Ridge, Bobby Hurr, complimented that "mighty good food." He said it was really fine and helped a lot in displaying that E. C. J. C. hospitality, (even though it did

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ing a frivolous sunsuit scrupulously covered and protected by a plastic transparent raincoat topped with boots and umbrella.

The audience then saw the old saying "April showers bring May flowers" come to life as that beguiling little "miss," Shelley Williamson, slinked tauntingly across the stage.

June is the bride's month, but since it was impossible for the bride to come, she sent her loveliest attendant, Miss Wanda (Wade) Morris. A vision of loveliness in violet taffeta trimmed with red roses, "Miss" Morris

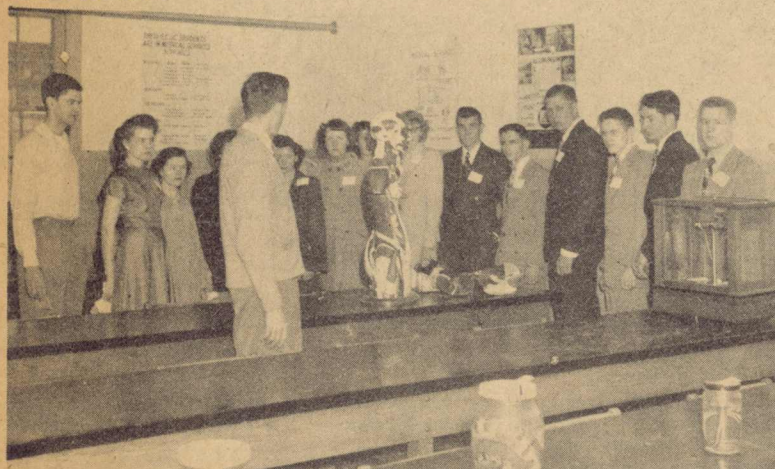
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## Following The Trail With The Seniors...



Rufus White Expounding to a Group of Seniors on the Mysteries of Agriculture.



Mr. Leatherwood gives Seniors an introduction to the Biology Department.

## Forty-Five Schools...

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and Wendell Kea.

**LONGINO-12:** Louise Luke, Therrill Luke, Arlen Herrington, Howard Herrington, Haskell Herrington, John Cosgrove, Nell McNece, Naomi Sisson, Bonnie Winstead, Pauline Fulton, and Sue Crosley.

**BOND-8:** Annita Fulton, Evelyn Alford, Rayce Luke, Dorothy Ann Burt, Howard Jackson, Durwood Jones, and Forest Jones.

**ZEPHYR HILL-8:** Weveatt Bland, Mildred Bland, Christine Rushing, Berle Chisolm, Curtis Rushing, Yatis Massey, Waggoner White, and Ircel Richardson.

**BLOOMO-13:** Ted Fanning, Betty Ann Fulton, Polly Dennis, Dean Williamson, Helen Thomas, Beatrice Williamson, Patsy Moore, Annie Mae Williamson, Jackie Hardy, Bilbo Branning, Maxine Gray, C. H. Henouson and C. W. Gray.

Newton County Has Second Largest Number—148

**NEWTON-39:** E. J. Atkinson, Cordelia Baucum, Ernestine Bolton, Betty Sue Bounds, Mary Ellen Chapman, Jerry Cooper, Thomas Craven, Eleanor Emmons, Moody Felton, Jeanette Foley, Billy Gibbs, Don Gordy, Connie Nell Gross, Ramona Grantham, Lucille Hollingsworth, O'Neil Kirby, Jessie Carolyn Lyle, John Marley, Frank May, Malese Meaders, Marcus Moore, Lloyd McGee, Sarah McMullan, Betty Jane Hand, Bernard Nelson, Lexie Ruth Nelson, Peggy Parker, Ernest Pinson, Cindy Sartin, Mildred Scoggin, Romona Scruggs, Floyd Smith, Joe Buck Stephens, Charlie Thrash, Charles Vance, James Walker, Doc Wall, Ruth Wells, Imogene Williams, Tommy Williams, Billy Ranier, and Jimmy Parker.

**CONEHATTA - 11:** Bernice Brunson, Sadie Hollingsworth, Delores French, Earline Valentine, Wilma Madden, Martha Parkes, Mary French, Elois Shealy, James Leach, James Smiley, and Benny Brown.

**UNION-30:** Ida Nell Buntyn, Mary Stafford Cliburn, Rose Marie Wallace, Betty Jane Hillman, Dorothy Harrison, Nancy Cox, Jeanette Killen, Mollie Buntyn, Ethel Houston, June Johnston, Annette Ozbourn, Shirley Staton, Donna Fay Price, Ruth Gardner, Betty Jean Pierce, Joan Bankston, Mary Holley, Bertha Jean Ingram, Charlotte Lewis, Peggy

Taylor, Martha Alexander, Patsy Ruth Schmidt, Barbara Ann Kelly, Charles White, Ralph Gray, Sam Joe Wilson, Clyde Wolverton, Bill Lane, Ernest Beevers, and James Foster.

**BEULAH HUBBARD-12:** Charles Munn, Francis Jackson, Berdet Simmons, Lavoy Goforth, Jack Munn, Lula Mae Rigdon, Joy Motely, Johnnie Huddleston, Sadie Jones, Ruby Arledge, Erwin Dean, and Ronald Williams.

**HICKORY-24:** Clara Bulkin, Irma Jones, Samuel Boulton, Dottie Davis, Becky Everette, Benny Walker, Tuinell Holt, Audrey McKee, Etna Jean Scarbrough, Carlene Cape, Betty Fanning, Joe Dear, Donnie Wall, Bonnie Jean Kennedy, J. T. Harris, C. G. Castle, Bob Munn, Annie Rester, Frances Griffith, Parks McNeil, Robert Ray Philyan, Tom Harris and Miss Maude Edwards, sponsor.

**DECATUR-24:** Becky J. Pope, Patsy Johnson, Marlene Bedwell, Clara Hollingsworth, Lenette Bane, Euner Lee Griffin, Patsy Williamson, Shirley Caldwell, Elaine Spense, Mary Frances Easom, Martha Mayes, Edward Gordon, Joe Hall, Jerry Harris, Robert McNair, Marlon Bufkin, Clifton Thornton, Becky Pope, Durwood Vance, Loyd Little, E. L. Thorne, Howard Addy, Gerald Cook, Marzell Addy and Miss Helen Sparks, sponsor.

**STRATTON-8:** Cobert Cleveland, James Addy, Dorothy Fay Knowles, Kay Herd, Peggy Sue McKee, Carroll Russell, Duwayne Ezelle and Mrs. Moore, sponsor.

Scott County Has 145 Seniors

**MORTON- 21:** Don Hortley, June Roge, Thomas Sparks, Donald Hatch, Sara Winstead, Sarah Dennis, Mary Edom, Billy Ray Garner, Bobby Ray Madison, Jo Ann Armstrong, W. C. Tadlock, Iwona Nutt, Jack Gray, Hershel Warren, Rachel Lewis, Jewelle Munn, Mary L. Harvey, Birna Kate Crimm, Donnie Nutt, Denison Henry and Miss Camille Stegall, sponsor.

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**FOREST-27:** Katie Harrison, William Lee Mills, Sarah Houston, Annie Laura Horne, Joan Dalgre,

Being a weak defenseless girl who can't help being pushed around, I happened to get mixed up in a throng of seniors going on the tours on Senior Day.

After being carried along with the crowd for a while, and not being able to rescue myself, I finally decided to look around and see where I was going. I then became so interested I didn't want to leave for I was seeing places and things I had not seen since Senior Day last year, and some things I had never seen before.

No one can say East Central is a small place after going on one of the tours. Oh, the places we went and the things we saw! After seeing the offices and auditorium in the administration building, our guide led us to the Home Economics Department, a place everyone enjoyed visiting. It was here that Mrs. Clyburn showed off her good cooks. They gave cookies, um-um, to the seniors (me, too) as we passed through. And, girls, I heard one senior boy say at this point that there was a good place to find a wife! Now, let's not all flood the Home Economics Department; it's too late to change your courses now!

After seeing the commercial department we went around by the girls' dormitory and down by Sullivan's Park to the Industrial Education Department. Now was the time for all the senior girls to perk up (they were feeling pretty blue after loud-voiced admiration their boys had given our girls) and take notice, for here were men! Not only did we see the auto-shop, masonry department and carpenter department, but we also had "Music wherever we went" for a string band in



Seniors get peek into the world of Science as they go through Mr. Cross's Chemistry Room.

front of the auto shop entertained us with gay music as we snooped around their various departments.

Newton Hall held special interests for all types of people for here we had the art department with wonderful exhibits (someonesaid she didn't know East Central had so much talent!) the music department, the drafting room (some of the boys were afraid to go in there) and part of the science department. In the science department the display of snakes made some of the girls turn goose pimply but they enjoyed the interesting things on exhibit. As usual "Susie" was there to welcome us with her sweet smile. Other displays such as an analytical balance (which will weigh a pencil mark) proved interesting.

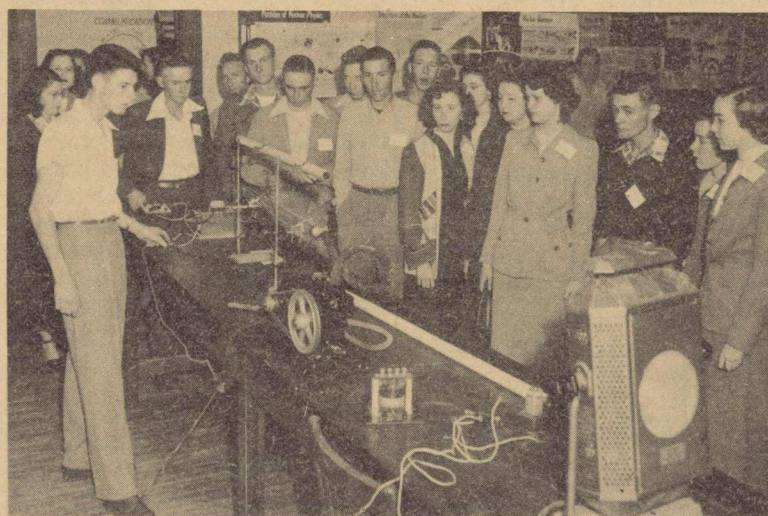
Then we went to a place I not only recognized but with which I was well acquainted. You guessed it—the Student Center. After seeing the upstairs part, we started inside, and oh I saw my favorite table (along with the others) strangely vacant. Joy, joy, now I can rest my feet! As I made a mad dash for the seat, our guide (wicked thing) said, "No, no, you can't sit down, we're just passing through." Oh well, there was

not much left, and I knew I would soon be back so I reluctantly joined the crowd again.

A few minutes later I was glad I had, for I was seeing interesting experiments in chemistry and physics. (I wasn't quite sure they weren't using a little black magic to do such wonderful things until one of the demonstrators smugly told me that it just took brains!)

The English room (with its sign "Get smart quick.") attracted the seniors' attention, too. Especially were they interested in the Reading Machine which does such wonderful things for your brain. Though they couldn't understand all about it, I assisted the guide in telling them not to worry, they would find out all about that (and plenty more, too) in Freshman English next year.

After visiting the library, we left the boys, and I went along to the girls' dormitory amidst the walls of the girls over not getting to see the boys' dormitories. Though disappointed in this, both boys and girls said they enjoyed the tours and thought East Central was a wonderful place. As they went over Jackson Hall, I crept up to my room, foot-sore and weary, but happy and proud of my own East Central!



Enthralled Seniors Watch as "Physics Wizard" Jack Denson performs.

Bobby Doyle Graham, Jerry Eure, John Loyd Clower, Mary Sue Collier, Betty Alford, Sarah Duckworth, June Jones, Molly Sawyer, Frank Gresham, Jimmy Graham, Herman Gibbs, Jolly Gatewood, Jimmy Joe Gatewood, Donald McDill, Billie Doris Brown, Charlotte Foreman, Billy Ray Burkes, Harold Windham, Bobby Joe Moore, Elizabeth Carolyn Wicker, Chester Smith, and Vera Gaskin, sponsor.

**SEASTOPOL-23:** Junior Madden, Paul D. Goss, Edwina Graham, Billie Albert Easom, Juanita Gardner, Nora Lee White, Billy Joe French, Kenneth McBeath, E. J. McDill, Ray Latham, Fay Thomas, Exie Burnes, Wayne Davidson, Algene Vance, Kindal McDill, Audell Wolverton, DeLous Freeman, Betty Jo Sistrunk, Grady Killen, Bonnie Sistrunk, Merle Goodson, Martha Jean Wolverton, and Josephine Brown.

**LAKE-7:** Billie Marie Evans, Amy Sue Faust, Teddy Gould, James Goodwin, Ann Pace, Louise Crosley, and Tommy Davis.

**LUDELAH-12:** C. H. Torrence, Coben Renfro, John W. Patrick, Effie Williams, S. J. Alford, Barthel Waggoner, Carman Wall, Deletia Patrick, Margaret Hawthorne, Ann Carol Hinger, Clara Mae Davis, and Mrs. C. R. Thomas, sponsor.

**BRANCH-12:** Naydean Allen, Merle Thompson, Lucille Lum, Howard Vowell, Wimpy Trest, Margaret Waltman, Dorothy Lum, Malcolm Richardson, Nannie Lou Sumrall, Laura Sue Thompson, Mrs. D. L. Measells, sponsor.

**GOOD HOPE-7:** Margaret Smith, Carolyn Clark, Blanch McMillan, Nina Hollingsworth, Juanita Culpepper, Jack Hollingsworth, and J. C. Everitt, sponsor.

**CLIFTON-9:** Carl Bell, Jodie Aycock, Wayne Robinson, Hugh L. Harrell, Chester Milner, Eugene Harrell, Bertha Waggoner, Lily J. Bailey and Barbara Cash.

**RINGGOLD-11:** Horace Walters, Andrew Sharp, Don Bradshaw, Billy Gardy, Wayne McDill, Wilma Riser, Cleo May, Evelyn Sanders, Margaret Walters, Pearl Culpepper and Mrs. Carlton Drishell, sponsor.

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**CARTHAGE-27:** Ralph Wallace, Jeanette Russell, Ethelda Thornton, Odessa Quick, Eunice Jones, Ernestine Knight, Nannie Dean Tripplett, Betty Ann Mounger, Mary Ruth Hardage, Nell Marie Vaughn, Betty Lou Chadwick, Charlie Peebles, Sue Gilmer, Joycelyn Wooten, Margie Flowers, Charolette Ingram, L. F. Coffey, Gene Young, Bishop Wallace, Jas. Brooks, O'Neal Sanders, Milton Weir, James Morton, Albert Bea-

cham, Hoyt Wright, and Harold Moss.

**MADDEN-15:** Bobbie Fryery, Frances Snuggs, Joe Tatum, Sunshine Johnson, Bobbie Jean Guice, J. D. Tatum, Marcus Barrett, Billy McPhail, Gilbert Brantley, Carl Jones, Rosalie Cox, Billie Jean McNece, and Misses Carol Brantley and Ruth Majure, sponsors.

**EDINBURG-14:** Milton Coghan, Clinton Wooten, Dorothy Tucker, Nell Malone, Virginia Marble, Lillie Mae Sumrall, Ranelle Moore, James Allen, Cassie Newsome, John Charles McPhail, Bernard Walton, Jackie Ellison, Ted Smith and Miss Sara K. Cole, sponsor.

**MARYDELLE-9:** Charlene Ainsworth, Frances Brocky, Betty Crosley, Jean Johnson, Johnnie Powers, Joe Dene Barnett, Dyrwth Dobbs, Ted Hogue, Hughlan Mooney, Joe Milton Madden.

**WALNUT GROVE-11:** Jayne Golden, Wayne Golden, Charles Easom, Jerry Dawson, Malcolm Green, David Jones, Jenette Sistrunk, Shirley Upton, Frances Weaver, Jean Ellis and Mrs. Rogers, sponsor.

**THOMASTOWN - 9:** Harrie Black, Hiltru Lacey, Ernestene Odom, Gene B. Harmon, Jerry Lee Wade, Bobby Adams, Frances George, Jean Young, Parnel Foster, and Mrs. Fulton, sponsor.

**LENA-9:** Evelyn Gunn, Shirley Bladle, June Denson, Toleda White, Barbara Kay Sudduth, Pat Moreland, Paul Townsend, Winford Maze, and Buddy Myers.

**FREENY-4:** Randolph Richmond, Kermit Ellis, Bobby Phillips, and Mrs. Walter Smith, sponsor.

**SINGLETON-9:** Margie Waggoner, Olivia Chipley, Doris Dowell, Ruth Faulkner, Lavoe Cockroft, Syble Rawson, Billie Ruth Jenkins, Harold Parker, and Rudolph Allen.

**GOOD HOPE-8:** Odie Erwin, Coroy Halford, Purvis McDonald, Sammie O'Bannon, Kenneth Pigg, Rodney Pigg, Betty Cannona and

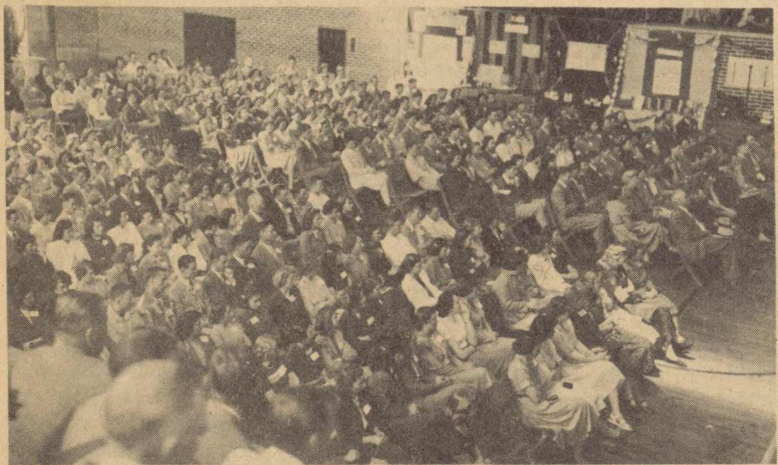
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# Entertainment And Hospitality, Feature Senior Day



Hungry Seniors Enjoy Picnic-Style Lunch on Front Campus.



Seniors and College Students Watch Parade of Talent in Gymnasium.

## Forty-Five Schools . .

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Ora Pigg.

**BARNES—11:** Betty Hudson, Lawana Poole, Helen Ferguson, Dussie Lee Atkinson, Lynn Edwards, Lavon Lawrence, Jerry Moore, Hooper Talleson, Desmond Sanders, Richard Culpepper, and Miss Waudean Rawson, sponsor. **Winston County Has Representation of 102**

**LOUISVILLE—54:** Rebecca Kilpatrick, Kathryn Duncan, Jeanine Hurt, Bobby Ellis, Patsy Ann Garrison, Jennie Lee Tolbert, Mary Taylor, Paul Gentry, Ann Hooker, Jerry Allen, Sara Fulton, Navarro Crawson, Jerry White, Henry McGee, Gerald Herrington, Jerry Holder, Jack Pearson, Walter Fulton, Lyn Whitmire, Dick Richardson, Jimmy Carter, Jeanette Davis, Lois Winstead, Nonlena Frazier, Frances Boyd, Paul Gentry, Roxene Hall, Elvin Miles, Billy Gene Partridge, Ralph Watson, Jimmy Lovern, Tommy Etheridge, Juanita Wylie, Jack Whites, Bob Crowson, Samuel Johnson, Rudolph Ellis, Nellie Smith, Ann McIntyre, Cynthia Rieves, Peggy Garriguh, Edwina Kirkpatrick.

**NOXAPATER—21:** Celia Dianne Willis, Joe Black, Wilbur Hatcher, Lucille Chiles, Nannie Duran, Phylisee Myatt, Margaret Carter, Carolyn Taylor, Merle Holdiness, Ava Ruth Clark, Joe Carter, Barney Ray Price, Harry Carter, T. F. Burrage, Ray McAdory, Madie Sanborn, Eva Burt Myrna, Martin Yvonne Myatt, Martha Humphries, and Mrs. Sam

Myatt, chaperone.

**LOBUTCHA—7:** Florence Barrett, Sallie Shumaker, Quinette Ray, Lamar Ayers, Hugh Edwards, T. J. McDaniel, and James Mills.

**BOND—11:** Edsell Parks, Tommy Faye Wright, James Minor Crowell, Dorothy Eaves, Elsie Ray Wright, Gene Higginbotham, Reba Haggard, Naomi Hisaw, Ethleen Shaw, Mary Evelyn Pope, and A. P. Posey, sponsor.

**ELLISON RIDGE—6:** Jo Fulcher, Maxine Smith, Melva Goodin, Otis H. Black, Bobby J. Hurt, and Aubrey Williamson.

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## 5 Faculty Members To Participate In Exchange Play

"The Night of January 16," a murder mystery play is to be presented by the Exchange Club of Decatur in the Newton County Courthouse on April 9 and 10.

This play, which is full of comedy, concerns the trial featuring a murder which occurred on January 16. The jury, which is to be selected from the audience, will find it difficult to decide the verdict as there is a great deal of conflicting evidence found in the trial.

Five members of East Central's faculty appear in the cast of the play. Mr. E. W. Terrell plays the role of Lawrence Regan, a notorious gangster; Miss Virginia Melvin assumes the role of a night club entertainer and wife of one of the murdered men;

Mr. H. Keith Slothower, the director, is recognized as John Graham Whitfield, banker and father-in-law of the murdered man whose death caused the trial; Mr. John Bickerstaff plays the part of Mr. Juquest, the Swedish secretary of the murdered man.

Mr. W. H. Johnson is seen in the roll of the District Attorney.

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## F. T. A. Members To Present Plays

Members of the F. T. A. will present three one-act plays, "Uncle Bob's Bride," "Box and Cox," and "No More Boys," in the Little Auditorium on April 20.

Bobby Caldwell, Edna Hollingsworth, Olive Doyle, Adell Russell, Bernice Dempsey, Louise Dixon, Bobbie Dean Shaw and Clara Annie Hardy, compose the cast of "Uncle Bob's Bride."

Roles in "No More Boys" are claimed by Donald Marshall, Jac-

## Tom-Tom Snooper Covers Ground On Senior Day

At the dawning of Senior Day I was up and ready to get out into the midst of everything. You see, I was going to slip around among the visiting seniors and see just what they had to say—just what went on in their minds as they went about on our campus. Now don't you call me an eavesdropper, for it was my duty to the TOM-TOM—got to get the news even if you do have to, we might say, "snoop around."

By the time the welcoming table was set up in front of the gymnasium, I was there, too. People were rushing around me in all directions, getting ready to welcome the first arrivals. In listening to some of the comments, I was very amused as well as surprised when one Freshman girl remarked, "I wish I were a senior coming to Senior Day instead of a Freshman. I know I had more fun last year than I'm going to have this time."—and, readers, that's how Senior Day began at East Central!

After several groups of students from different schools had arrived on the campus, and had begun their tours, I looked around to see a rather disgusted looking group of ECJC students from Lena, Mississippi. I thought to myself, "What is this all about?" I understood when I overheard one of them say, "Why don't those Lena kinds come on? Why, we were here at 8:30 last year!" Well, we heard the Lena group did get here finally, and that it wasn't their fault that they were too late to suit their eager guides.

Before I began my "snooping" around, following (I guess that would be a good word) the seniors, I happened to overhear one cute little girl from Freney say, "Isn't it funny?—We have three guides and three seniors!" I'll bet with those guides, though, they had as much fun as a big group of seniors!

Going over toward Jackson Hall way (hidden in a group of seniors from Morton) I was overjoyed to

see Ethridge, Rosemary Johnson, James Bradford, Peggy Hunt, Will Wooten, and Barbara Bridges.

The cast of "Box and Cox" includes William Pogue, Maurice Smith, and James Cardwell.

These plays, which are being given as an F. T. A. Project, will be directed by Mr. H. Keith Slothower. Profits will be used for the purchase of new shades for the Little Auditorium.

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## EC Passes Quota In Red Cross Drive

East Central Junior College reached its quota in the current Red Cross Drive with a total of \$200.11 being collected by last Friday morning, according to Mrs. Grace S. Gardner, director of the local drive.

Ninety-nine dollars and twen-



Glamorous "Calendar" Boys and Girls adorn stage during Senior Day Program.

hear just what the visiting girls thought about our dormitory. They seemed to like all parts (especially the new rooms downstairs.) While going through the infirmary I overheard one charming Morton girl say, "My, but this hospital's fine so long as you don't have to stay in it!" Well, now, that is a thought.

Not being satisfied with the "snooping" experiences that I had already undergone, I wandered around looking for greener fields!

Going over to the Student Center, I heard one girl remark as she passed by the TOM-TOM office, "I wanta see the Editor. I wanta see the Editor." She had gone by the time I pushed my way through the mob. That was surely a disappointment for I thought I would look further into that!

Pushing my way through the scads of people in the Student Center, I walked up to a group of Union boys and girls to listen in on them. One bright senior girl, Charlotte Lewis, enthusiastically voiced her opinion of the Student Center in this unique manner, "Why, I could just live in this place." You know, she has a point there.

After the program in the gymnasium I heard enthusiastic comments all around me, but the remark of Carolyn Majure, who was talking to some other Philadelphia seniors, caught my attention when she said, "Oh! but the program was splendid. Did you see those cute calendar boys and didn't Barbara Husbands sing wonderfully? And who was that cute boy in saddle ox-fords (that boy in saddle ox-fords is Connie Smith to us here at East Central!)"

I happened up on Mr. C. B.

ty-five cents of this amount was contributed by the ECJC faculty. Thirty-five dollars and fifty-five cents was received as the proceeds from a special acrobatic performance given by Perry Lowery, assisted by Connie Smith, at the half of one of the recent tournament games. The girls of Jackson Hall made contributions amounting to \$13.12. The remainder of the total was contributed by the Apartment House students, commuting and day students, boys living in dormitories, high school students, members of the Industrial Department, and the general public.

People who were instrumental in helping Mrs. Gardner direct the drive were members of the Women's Student Government Organization and the Boys' Student Council, Mrs. Macie Massey, Wilson Taylor, Patsy Cleveland, Billie Jewell Thrash, Barbara Dean Bridges, and Louise Dixon.

Gordy, the Conehatta High school sponsor, after he had just seen the ball game. He remarked that he had enjoyed the ball game thoroughly—in fact more than anything else. Now there's certainly a basketball fan for you.

When the crowds started gathering to start home, I overheard Mrs. G. G. Bennett, the sponsor from Louisville High school, say in enthusiastic tones, "The day has indeed been a pleasant one and I've enjoyed every minute of it. I especially appreciated the hospitality of the students and faculty members of East Central." It certainly makes one feel proud of his school to hear a compliment like that one from such a gracious lady.

Seeing the seniors of Philadelphia off (hidden again, of course) I nearly laughed at the unique and amusing comment of Sylvia Sanford when she said, "Well, now I've seen everything about East Central except one thing—I want to see the boys' dormitories!" See what I meant?

After bidding farewell to the last visiting senior I happened to run across Mr. Miller, who had a helping hand in the cleanup campaign before Senior Day. He said a very fitting thing when he remarked, "Well, it (Senior Day, of course) was certainly worth all the effort."

And, truly, I think we, of East Central, will all agree with that statement, too. With this remark for you to ponder, I'll leave you with your memories of Senior Day while I pull off my shoes. (Snooping and running around is awfully hard on the feet, believe me!)"

## Med. Services Club Chooses Officers

Six new Sigma Sigma Mu Tau officers for second semester were elected at a recent meeting of this organization.

They are as follows: Walterine Herrington, president; Johnnie Jones, first vice president; Murry Germany, second vice president; Martha Ann McMillan, secretary; Duane Burgess, reporter; Betty Ann Peoples, librarian.

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A Home Nursing Course, the first to be offered in the state of Mississippi was instituted this month in the curriculum of Biloxi High School, Superintendent A. E. Scruggs announced.

Through the cooperation of the Biloxi city chapter of the Junior Red Cross and the school administration, the course was on extension of the home economics course.

## "Tish" Rehearsals And In Full Swing

Rehearsals for the senior play, "Tish," are progressing very nicely according to Mr. H. Keith Slothower, director. The characterizations are good and each person is contributing an excellent performance.

This gay and exciting comedy, which is to be presented on April 16-17, has an unusual and colorful setting. The action takes place in a combination lunch room and lobby of a small New Mexico hotel. This gay and brightly colored room will set the mood for the lively fun which this play produces. Also adding to this mood of gaiety will be colorful costumes, in keeping with the section of the country where the play takes place.

Further information about "Tish" will be released at a later date.



# Social Highlights

Miss Louise Dixon visited her cousins, Yvonne and Phyllis Myatt in Noxapater during Spring Holidays.

Miss Adell Russell visited her parents near Sylvester, Ga., and went sight seeing on the Coast of Florida during the spring holidays.

Misses Genell Johnson and Martha McMillan visited Mrs. James O. Buntyn of Decatur last Sunday.

Mr. Jimmy Mangrun and John Henry Fulton attended the Louisville-Kosciusko basketball game in Louisville recently.

Miss Lena Oliver visited Martha Drew of Grenada, Sunday during spring holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Caron visited their son, Billy, on the campus recently. They, along with Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Smith, Etheline and Dorothy, went to Meridian for dinner and returned to Union and attended the show.

Miss Margaret Germany spent last week end with Dorothy Smith of Houlka, Miss.

Mr. Dwight Webb visited on the campus last Tuesday prior to leaving for the U. S. Air Force on Thursday.

Miss Ruth Richie attended a play at Noxapater Thursday night.

Miss Peggy Shirley visited Peggy Hunt recently at Lobutcha, and the following week end Peggy returned the visit to Louin.

Miss Maurice Smith visited her sister, Mrs. Hubert Langford of Meridian, during spring holidays.

Misses Nancy Herrington, Mildred Taylor, Charlotte Wells and Madelyn Smith visited friends at Fort Jackson, S. C. during the spring vacation.

Miss Lanelle Atkinson visited her sister, Mrs. Roy Calhoun of Mobile, Alabama, during spring holidays. Lanelle toured the famous Bellingrath Gardens while in Alabama.

## Faculty Facts And Falderal

Faculty members attending the Mississippi Educational Association held in Jackson, March 15 and 16 include Dr. L. O. Todd, Mr. T. R. McCann, Mr. E. W. Terrell, Mrs. Grace S. Gardner, Mr. G. L. Palmer, Mr. J. B. Pannell, Mrs. Janie Sullivan, Mr. F. E. Leatherwood, Miss Una Harris, Mr. J. B. Bickerstaff and Mr. Frank Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Palmer spent Easter with Mrs. Palmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Mason at Vossburg.

Mrs. Grace S. Gardner visited

in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. S. Peek during the holidays.

Mrs. Janie Sullivan and her daughter, Miss Grace Huff, of Wesson, spent Sunday at their old home town Sylvaena with relatives and friends.

Miss Virginia Melvin spent the holidays in Jackson and at her home in Laurel.

Mr. A. C. Carter visited on the campus of the University of Mississippi during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mayo visited their son, Jack, in Sherman, Texas over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Vincent

visited with Mr. Vincent's sister, Mrs. L. C. Hatcher in Lucedale during the vacation

Miss Helen Sparks visited her sister, Mrs. Earl Webb at Carthage during the vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Terrell visited Mr. Terrell's family in Lafayette, La., and with Mrs. Terrell's family at Lake Charles, La., during spring holidays. On Sunday they attended a family reunion at De Quince honoring Mrs. Terrell's grandmother.

Mr. T. R. McCann spent the week end at him home in Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Clyburn went to Houston, Texas, visiting relatives and sight-seeing. The highlight of the trip was dinner at "The Shamrock." They also stopped in Alexandria, Louisiana to see points of interest there.

Miss Ethel Burton visited her mother and other members of her family in Calera and Montgomery, Alabama over the holidays.

Miss Gladys Bryant spent the holidays with her mother Mrs. A. A. Bryant at Hattiesburg.

Miss Mary Ellen Richards spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. E. L. Richards in Nashville, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cross visited Mrs. Cross's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Neill, in Philadelphia over the week end. They also went to Meridian and Jackson.

Mr. H. Keith Slothower spent his vacation at his home in Warren, Illinois.

Mrs. Lillian Ellau from New Jersey is visiting with her daughter, Miss Eunice Ellau.

Mrs. W. W. Newsome had as her guests for the past week end, her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. C. Weathersby and her nephew, Mr. Cabe Weathersby, of Coahoma, Mississippi.

## East Central FBLA Enjoys Skating Party

Members of the Future Business Leaders of America organization and their guests journeyed to Union, Mississippi Friday afternoon March 23 for a picnic and skating party at the Union Skating Rink.

The group spread and ate their picnic supper and then spent the evening skating.

Those who attended the gay event were: Mr. J. W. Bedwell, sponsor, Kay Thompson, Johnny Ray, Angelyn Blackburn, Elinor Wood, Carolyn Fulton, Margaret Germany, Dot Smith, Ruth Richardson, Beryle Womble, Lecressa Henry, Carolyn Waggoner, Joella Chipley, Betty Payne, Betty Roberts, Wanda Ferguson, Gwendolyn Pilgrim, Jack Spivey, Bonnie Morrow and Charles Rigler.

## Twelve Enjoy Supper St. Patrick Theme for March Birthdays

Twelve faculty members and students enjoyed the monthly birthday supper for March, Tuesday night, March 20.

St. Patrick's Day was the theme for decoration in the cafeteria featuring green and white flowers, candles and cakes.

Those who had birthdays in March are Mrs. Grace Gardner, R. C. Roberts, Billy Walker, Walterine Herrington, Joella Chipley, Carolyn Waggoner, Frances Burt, Marie Barrett, Lamar Weems, Marlene Sigrest and Jan Weems.

"If we don't stop this inflation what this country will need... is a good five cent dollar!"

## EC Agriculture Club Enjoys Banquet

On Friday night, March 13, the College Agriculture Club and the High School F. F. A. Chapter enjoyed a joint banquet. The featured speaker was Dr. Snowden from State College. Orven Hardy served as toastmaster. The program was as follows:

Opening Remarks—Toastmaster  
Invocation—Grayson McMullan  
Meal  
Program  
Musical Number—Girls' Trio  
Introduction of Guests—Toastmaster  
Club Representatives' Speeches—Grayson McMullan, Fred Horton.  
Introduction of Speaker—Mr. Palmer.  
Address—Dr. Snowden  
Closing Remarks—Toastmaster.  
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## Unique Program . . .

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of Mr. H. Keith Slothower, was broadcast through the facilities of WHOC, Philadelphia. The broadcast featured interviews by Mr. Slothower of seniors from all over the district. The show opened and closed with singing of the "Alma Mater" by the Girl's Ensemble. At intervals during the broadcast, unique musical selections were rendered by Barbara Husbands, Eva Nell Boggan and Connie Smith.

Immediately following the radio program, brief talks of vital interest to prospective college students were made by Dr. L. O. Todd and Lt. Col. Herman Alford of Philadelphia.

Probably the most colorful and unique part of the program was the eye-catching parade of East Central's Calendar Girls and Boys. Representing January in the girl's parade was Jan Weems; February, Peggy Shirley; March, Glenda Burkes; April, Dezra Caffey; May, Sara Williams; June, Elizabeth Buntyn; July, Ruthine Ferguson; August, Sue Franklin; September, Charlotte Wells; October, Wanda Vance; November, Dot Smith, and December Nancy Ozborn.

Competing with the girls were the glamorous "Baby Face" Holloway representing Jan.; "Sweetheart," Lowery, February; "Panzey" Williamson, March; "Janie" Bre-

land, April; "Shelley" Williamson, May; "Barbara" Caldwell, June; "Charlsie" McMullan, July; "Curves" Croxton, August; "Jojo" Todd, September; "U-Yell-It" Parks, October; "Gobbler" Williamson, November, "Teresa" Harris, December.

Rivaling the Calendar Parade in popularity was Betty Freeny's hilarious "black-face" number.

A helpful as well as amusing skit was given by Sarah Warner Craft, Jan Weems, and Connie Smith, with the help of a number of other college students. The playlet gave valuable information to the seniors concerning the various courses, etc. offered by each academic department.

The program was concluded with several numbers by the Glee Club and an inspiring devotional by Louise Ware.

Senior Day was climaxed by a basketball game in which outstanding seniors from throughout the district participated. The game followed the picnic style lunch which everybody enjoyed on the front campus.

Bowling Green, O.—Comic books should be used in American schools, an educator, Herbert G. Williams, believes. His recommendations are made in a thesis accepted at Bowling Green University in partial fulfillment of the requirement for the degree of master of arts.

"Comics are an integral part of our culture and consequently cannot be ignored by education," declares Mr. Williams, who is head of the English department at Lawrence Institute of Technology. "The comics provide a basis for learning history, geography, and science in a natural and personal setting."

How can comics be used effectively in the classroom? Mr. Williams answers this question by listing these fields and making these comments: Reading readiness—Animal comics offer a wide and varied library at small cost; Remedial reading—Since the interest level of the comics is high and the vocabulary level low, they would seem to contain all the qualifications in this field; Creative writing—Comics help the young pupil familiarize himself with organization and the idea of a central theme.



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Johnnie Lou Sharp with Ribbons won in 4-H Dairy Work.

## Outstanding 4-H Club Girl Is Student At East Central Junior College

Ribbons, ribbons, ribbons—blue ribbons, red ribbons, white ribbons, purple ribbons—did you know that a Freshman girl at East Central has won ninety such ribbons at fairs and shows since 1946? Yes, Johnnie Lou Sharp, with the help of her father, Mr. John L. Sharp of Philadelphia, has won fifty-three blue ribbons, twenty-eight red ribbons, seven white ribbons and one purple Grand Champion ribbon at County Fairs and State Livestock Shows. Most of these have been awarded for livestock—cows and hogs.

Johnnie Lou, who has made these accomplishments through her nine years of 4-H Club work, bought her first cow, Bet Arconi Designress in 1946. (If you wonder where the cow got such a name Johnnie Lou tells me that at one time it was a practice to give a cow one of her father's names, one of her mother's names, and then a new name of her own). This cow, Bet, (as she is called) has won nine ribbons for Johnnie Lou and has had three calves which were blue ribbon winners also.

Johnnie Lou, who was last year called the outstanding 4-H Club member of her county in dairying also owns a bull with the name of Advance Commando Noble. (Even though he has such an imposing sounding name, Johnnie Lou assured me he is sweet and gentle.) As his contribution to Johnnie Lou's collection of ribbons, Advance won "Champion" at the Neshoba County Fair last

year.

But cattle aren't the only prize winners on Johnnie Lou's farm. There are also found Champion Walker Fox Hounds (Sharpshooter won Grand Champion at East Mississippi—West Alabama Field Trial in 1946) and Poland China Hogs. (One was sold, last spring which weighed 995 pounds, which to me sounds like a lot of hog!)

Johnnie Lou is a good showman too, winning first place in showmanship at Forest in 1949. For the first time I learned about all the work it takes to prepare an animal for a show. Johnnie Lou said that she trained her cow for about three months before the show, teaching her to lead and pose. However the most interesting part of the preparation to me was the "dressing up" and "pretting up" of the cow. First she let her wear a blanket for six weeks before the show so her coat would be smooth and glossy. Then just before leaving home, she washed and brushed her and polished her horns and hoofs (after trimming them of course.) She then plaited her tail! Why?—to make it pretty and wavy. Just before the show her tail was unplaited and combed, and a finishing touch was put on her coat with hair-dressing. Doesn't that sound like a lot of hard work? Well, Johnnie Lou assures me it is, but that it's all well worth the time and effort. In fact Johnnie Lou enjoys the work so much that she intends to make livestock breeding and dairying her full-time vocation;

## Five Decatur Boys Win Dairy Contest

Clifton Thornton, Buner Lee Griffin, Robert McNair, George Smith and William McMullan, Decatur FFA members, were winners in the District Dairy Contest held at Forest March 1-3.

Buner Lee Griffin, Clifton Thornton, and Robert McNair composed a judging team which was awarded third place. Individual scores for the team are as follows: Thornton 113.8, McNair, 116.8 and Griffin 80.0.

In addition to winning honors as a judging team these boys together with William McMullan and George Smith entered dairy animals in the show. Clifton Thornton, Buner Lee Griffin, Geo. Smith and Robert McNair showed animals for ECJC in both the junior and senior calf divisions. Both calves shown in the junior division took blue ribbons, with one being awarded the top blue ribbon in her class. This calf also competed in the junior champion show.

The senior calves took blue ribbons for the class in which they were shown. One senior calf took top blue ribbon in her class and competed in the grand champion show placing second in the overall dairy show.

Robert McNair, William McMullan and George Smith entered animals of their own. Smith and McMullan were awarded blue ribbons with McNair winning a red ribbon.

Monetary prizes are to be awarded by the Livestock Commission to all these Decatur FFA boys for their achievements.

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## High School Senior Featured In Recital

Miss Clara Hollingsworth was presented in her senior recital March 27, at 8:00 P. M. in the Little Auditorium. She was assisted by Eddie Rae Loper, vocalist, accompanied by Martha Milling.

The program for the evening was as follows:

Sonata in A Major—Mozart  
Variations I, II, III, IV, VI.  
All'a Tuerca.  
Prelude in C Minor—Chopin  
Waltz in C sharp Minor—Chopin.

Without a Song—Youmans  
Serenade—Romberg  
Deep In My Heart, Dear—Romberg  
Murmuring Zephyrs—Jenson  
Liebesfrued—Kreisler  
Clair de Lune—Debussy  
Villa (The Merry Widow)—Lehor  
A Heart That's Free—Robyn  
Malaguena—Lecuona

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## Roving Reporter . . .

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Another senior from Philadelphia, Bobby May, thinks that senior day is a wonderful idea and should certainly continue to be an annual event. Bobby, who is an ardent sports fan, enjoyed the ball game and would like to see that idea continued.

Wevett Bland, attractive senior from Zephyr Hill, enthusiastically responded to your reporter's queries on senior day. In reply, she said, "To me, senior day is the most unforgettable occasion of the year" and she thinks that the annual event should certainly be continued.

Charming senior from Arlington, Eunice Salter, voiced her enthusiasm over the ball game. She thought it was a wonderful idea!

Mamie Lois Eldridge, senior from House said, "I've had a wonderful time and I have enjoyed everything!" On second thought, she added, "Oh, I did like the ball game best of all."

James Walker, popular and at the present time she is already the possessor of six registered animals.

well known student from Newton, expressed his opinion of the features of senior day by saying, "I enjoyed the tours since they included the Student Center. That's just the place for me!"

Lovely blond Irma James from Hickory, is already making plans to come to East Central. She thought the entire day was wonderful but as she is especially interested in art, the art department impressed her more than anything else.

A senior from Harperville, Martha Ansley, was impressed by the Home Ec Department, but asked a question which your reporter was unable to answer, "Does the kitchen just have one sink?" She said she really thinks the entire school is wonderful, and wondered if it was because of the friendly students.

Ervin Dean, senior from Beulah-Hubbard, enjoyed the tours (oh, my aching feet) especially since they included the dormitories. He thinks senior day is a wonderful idea since it acquaints students with "first-hand college life."

Another lovely senior from Arlington, Joann Reese, when asked what she enjoyed most said, "Everything!" but especially the "calendar boys and girls and the duet 'It Had To Be You!'"

A Marydell senior, Verna Jean Johnson, raved over everything! She thought Betty Freeny or the "Negro" was, as she put it, "cute." She agrees with numbers of others in saying that senior day is so instrumental in giving students a real sample of college life.

Ernestine Boltan, one of Newton's popular seniors, enjoyed seeing the Student Center, which she had been hearing so much about. She was very interested in learning that college students helped to build the lovely modern Student Center.

Deletha Patrick from Ludlow commented on the wonderful dinner. She said, "That fried chicken was delicious."

Lovely Madden senior, Rosalie Cox, was impressed by the art displays. Her question was "Do you learn that at East Central?"

From these varied opinions one can readily see the results of a day eagerly awaited and one that will be long remembered by all the attending seniors.

## Rabbi Blackschleyer Inspires Student Body With Chapel Message

A new perspective of securing world peace was presented in chapel, Tuesday, March 13. Rabbi Eugene Blackschleyer from Montgomery, Alabama was the guest speaker. His subject was "Social Teachings of the Prophets."

Taking the books of the Prophets in the Old Testament, he illustrated God's plan for World Peace. He first explained that the Prophets were not soothsayers, or magicians, but men of God, who spoke the truth. Rabbi Blackschleyer summarized the deeds of the Prophets by this verse "Not by might, not by power, but by the spirit of God do men and nations prevail."

Quoting many verses of scripture from these books he brought out the following points: We all have one Father; When the man is right, the World is right; World Peace was prophesied by the Prophets of long ago; and the best definition of religion—"Do justly, love mercy, walk humbly with God."

In these uncertain times remarked the speaker, people are in a dilemma as to what to do to secure peace. Some say use the atom bomb, others advocate a World Government, still others want isolationism. The undying words of the Prophets, ringing down through the ages, give us new consolation, hope, and a different plan for world peace.

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## American History, Required At Norwich

Northfield, Vt. (I.P.)—All students at Norwich University will be required to study American history, Major General Ernest H. Harmon, president of the military college, announced here recently. Liberal arts students on this campus always have taken American history and now those in engineering courses also will be taught this subject. A semester of American history will be required of all freshmen.

"I have been both surprised and disappointed to find many students entering college without a satisfactory background in the history of their own country," Presiden Harmon commented.

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# RIGLER RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

Three of East Central's star basketball players who were called into the Army by activation of the National Guard have been continuing their cage careers at Ft. Jackson, S. C. in Championship form.

They are Denver Bracken, Howard Sessums, and Herman Robinson and from all reports they are considered the "hottest" things on the Columbia post.

Basketball was played at Ft. Jackson this year through intramural teams. The Speciality Training Company, one of the teams, had been lagging behind, that is until Bracken and Sessums hit the post. This was all the team needed to win the next ten games and the post championship, averaging 83 points per game in the process.

Bracken himself had an average of 31.3 points for outing and was considered the best player Ft. Jackson had to offer, starting with his almost unstoppable hook shot. He held the camp record of 47 points for one game and scored that amount on two occasions.

In one game, against a previously undefeated team, STC won by the score of 101 to 67. Bracken made 47 of the points

and Sessums made 24. Together they had scored 71 points, more than the entire opposition.

**Spears Compiles Good Record**  
Betty Carol Spears, star performer on Philadelphia High School's girls team, has compiled a good record during the past season. In approximately 30 games she has scored 1400 points. On one occasion she practically burned the net up scoring 65 points. Two times during the season she racked up 64 points.

The Philadelphia sextet lost only three of their games and lost by one point the game which would have placed them in the state finals and won for them a probable championship. They placed third in the state A-AA tourney. Two others besides Miss Spears of the PHS squad were placed on the All-State squad—Carolyn Majure and Jane Hardy.

**Hickory Girls Win**  
Another team from the East Central district did well in state playoffs. Frank Hodges' six from Hickory won the state B-BB tourney by defeating the nearby Collinsville girls in the finals. This victory won them the right to meet Fulton for the Championship of all Mississippi schools.

other was off the court.

When Fort Jackson All-Stars were named, according to results published in the Fort Jackson Journal, Bracken was on every ballot. He was chosen for first string. Sessums was chosen for the second string of the All-Star team. This All-Star team later won the Anderson Invitational Basketball Tournament by defeating three strong teams.

The article made clear that with the same superb teamwork they showed on the East Central Court, Bracken, Sessums, and Robinson, put their team on top.

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## Johnson Station Wins In B-BB Tournament; Defeat Runnelstown

Johnson Station won the South Mississippi B-BB tournament held here by defeating Runnelstown in the finals on Saturday.

Improve-Petty won the right to represent the southern part of the state at third place by downing a scrappy Collinsville five in the consolation tilt. The tournament was played in the Warrior gymnasium March 9-10.

Johnson Station had previously beat Savannah in preliminaries and Improve-Petty in semi-finals. Runnelstown downed Bogue Chitto in their preliminary tilt and Collinsville in semi-finals. Other preliminary games were between Improve-Petty and Brandon and Collinsville and Pinola.

The four emerging teams played in the state finals in Jackson March 22, 23 and 24.

## South Slays North In Sr. Day Game, Feature All-Stars

Players on the South squad came from behind and defeated the North five 43 to 34 in the Senior Day festivities.

The North, clad in black jerseys, grabbed an early lead and held it 20-16 at half time. The South proved too strong in the last half and pulled away for an easy win.

Boys on the North team were picked from Seniors of Neshoba, Leake and Winston Counties. Newton and Scott County seniors composed the South team.

"Several boys who played are bright prospects for East Central's five next year," states Coach Arno Vincent, who organized the tilt.

**North Team:**  
James Allen, Edinburg; John McPhail, Edinburg; Jack Pearson, Louisville; Louis Luke, Longino; Bobby Phillip, Freeny; James Mills Lobutcha; Jerry Loper, Lynwood; Bill Cole, Philadelphia; Chicken Wooten, Edinburg; Wayne Golden, Walnut Grove; Therry Luke, Longino; Billy Weatherford, House.

**South Team:**  
Leo Massey, Decatur; Hugh Harrel, Clifton; Billy Eason, Sebastopol; Billy Dodson, Harperville; Jerry Harris, Decatur; C. G. Castle, Hickory; Cecil Hodges, Harperville; Algene Vance, Sebastopol; Eugene Harrel, Clifton; Wayne Davidson, Sebastopol; James Addy, Stratton; Cobert Cleveland, Stratton.

## EC Football Practice Ends After 2 Weeks

Spring football at East Central ended March 13 after sixteen men had undergone light workouts for two weeks.

A practice game had been scheduled with Hinds for Friday March 23 but has been cancelled. Despite the shortage of men, some good material was on hand.

Coach Grace states in reference to next year's team, "Uncle Sam will decide whether we play football, or not and what type team we will have."

## Four E.C. Students . . .

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Breland, John C. Brister, Annie Elizabeth Buntyn, Charles Duane Burgess, Willie Frances Burt, Bobby Caldwell, James Roy Cardwell, Eva Frances Cook, Geneva Etoil Daniel, Olive Celeste Doyle, Carl Clayton Durr, Glen Eaves, Jackie Thorace Ethridge, Florence Ruthine Ferguson, Janie Sue Franklin, Oren J. Hardy.

Shirley Irene Hardy, Peggy Gay Harrell, Mary Leccressa Henry, Mary Edna Hollingsworth, Doris Humphries, Frances Hutton, Milton H. Johnson, Rosemary Johnson, Carl Curward Loper, Ella Mae Loper, Margaret McKinney, Grayson McMullan, Lavon Charles McNair, Joe Dodson Massey, Troyce Macie Massey, Thomas Rudolph Mayes, Janys Ming, Betty Sue Payne, Betty Ann Peoples, Ruth Richardson, Frances Adell Russell, Johnnie Lou Sharp, Madaline Gloria Smith, Willey Brooks Smith, Kay Frances Thompson.

Helen Ann Usher, Rose Carolyn Waggoner, Nancy Evelyn Walton, Rufus Delee White, Charles Raymond Williams.

Those making honor roll in High School areas follows: Edward Edgar Gordon and Euner Lee Griffin. Those making Honorable Mention are as follows: James Harris Addy, Mrs. Shirley Brand Cardwell, Gerald Cline Cook, Betty Inez Gaines, Joe Franklin Hall, Clara Ruth Hollingsworth, Fred Louis Horton, Eddie Ray Loper, Marth Abbeline Mayes, Mrs. Rebecca Johnson Pope, Burdine Price, Patsy Williamson.

## Here And There Among Colleges

St. Louis, Mo.—The typical graduate of many universities today is completely confused because most institutions of higher learning have either a very vague philosophy of education or else admit they do not know their objectives and are seeking a philosophy of education by the trial-and-error process, according to the very Rev. Paul C. Reinert, S. J., President of St. Louis University.

"Only a university which has a correct evaluation of the nature and purpose of the individual and his place in society can offer any solution to the momentous problems which face us today."

Too many colleges and universities have over-emphasized science, Father Reinert said. "People are turning to scientists today with the plea, 'you got us into this mess. Now you get us out.' How obvious it is from the events of the last two decades that science alone cannot make us act as responsible, moral human beings."

Summer session of thirteen weeks, designed to allow students to graduate from junior college after two summers and one regular session of school is being instituted at Hinds Junior College, beginning June 4, according to Miss Mildred Herrin, registrar.

Division of the session will be a ten-weeks term, opening June 4 and ending August 11, and a three weeks post-session, lasting from August 11 until September 1.

Miss Ada Bess, Northeast Louisiana State College, has a dancing class in which every student can enjoy the daily assignments and look forward to examinations.

Student variety is found in the class—everyone from pre-med majors to husky tackles and guards. Many of those enrolled are getting their first taste of dancing, while others knew the fundamentals but wanted to learn more.

Square dancing is taught as well as social dancing. Also taught is the Varsouienne. (To uneducated college students this is "pat your little foot.")

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## FRESHMAN TALENT NIGHT



E. C. "Faculty Members" Listen Attentively as "Dr Todd" Expounds.

### Student Honor System Begins At Knox College

Galesburg, Ill.—(I. P.) — An honor system to be enforced by a student honor board will go into effect at Knox College this semester. This system, completely new to the college will place the main responsibility for cheating and resultant disciplinary measures in the hands of the student body.

The honor board, to be composed of three seniors, three juniors and two sophomores, will hear all honor cases and make recommendations for the subsequent disciplinary measures. The student honor board constitution was drawn up by a special committee of the Student Council and unanimously accepted by the en-

tire council.

According to the plan, the honor system will be explained in full to all new students during freshman orientation week of each year. Each student will then be asked to sign a card which will certify that the honor system has been explained to him and that he understands it. These cards will be kept on file during the period in which that student is attending Knox.

College president Sharvy G. Umbeck has expressed a very favorable opinion of the new honor system. "The success or failure of such a system," he believes, "rests entirely on the students themselves, for if they will wholeheartedly believe in it and cooperate in its operation, it can become one of the most significant student contributions to the college in many decades."

### E. C. Calendar Boys . . . Continued from Page 2

made a very pretty picture as she tripped across the stage, scattering her audience with rice and flowers from the dainty basket she held on her arm.

July is the month for picnics, and carrying out effectively this month's theme, was none other than Charlesy McMullin on "her" way to a Fourth of July picnic. Wearing a two-piece play suit of baby blue cotton, and open-toed sandals, "Miss" McMullin looked as fresh and cool as a daisy as she strolled across the stage.

The audience received a real treat as the luscious, curvaceous beauty, Catherine Croxton (better known as "Curry") appeared representing August. Clad in a risque white bathing suit, "Miss" Croxton fulfilled quite sufficiently the terms of her nickname.

September means back to school, and portraying this month was that noted sweater girl, Miss Josephine Todd, on her way to Freshman English class.

Representing October, that month of the year when the football season is in full swing, was our own "You-Yell-It" Parks, wearing the traditional ECJC black and gold.

Next the audience was honored as "Gobbler" Williamson, representing November, presented a delightful picture of Thanksgiving with all its trimming.

Ending up the year, representing December, was that petite little lady with the pretty little smile, Miss Peunia Pogue.

Thus in the words of the Mistress of Ceremonies, "the calendar girls of previous years have given sway to our own ECJC Calendar Boys of 1951."

As the fashion parade ended, the entire show cast assembled on the stage and joined with the audience in singing the East Central Alma Mater, thus ending a show will surely will linger in the memories of participants and audience for years to come.

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### Student Loan Fund . . . Continued from Page 1

make loans to students who have completed two years of college.

Loans are being extended to several hundred students during the 1950-51 session and every indication is that equally as many loans can be granted for the 1951-52 session if requested. The purpose of the Association is to help the student help himself by granting loans only in such amounts as he and his family cannot provide. Each applicant figures his individual needs and if a loan is granted, it is by contract to be repaid monthly following graduation or withdrawal from college.

Six percent interest, payable annually, takes care of operating expenses of the fund, such as office expenses, postage, printed material, etc. Should more inter-

est be paid than is used for these purposes, it is added to the principal of the Student Loan Fund and is then available to student borrowers.

No endorsement is required of notes. A student is accepted, or rejected, on his own merits as indicated by his application, recommendations, reports from college attended, and personal interviews. Each borrower is required to provide a life insurance policy as protection in case of death. When the loan is repaid, the Association's interest in the insurance policy is released.

Information concerning loan may be had by contacting Field Co-operative Association, Inc., Miss S. Frances Sale, Secretary-treasurer, 406 Lamar Life Building, Jackson, Miss. Visits to the office are welcome, and information is given when desired.

This fund was created for use of Mississippians and it is hoped that all citizens of the state will be interested in knowing how it is used. The fact that the Fund has been in constant operation for twenty-six years and loans have been granted to approximately 8,000 students proves its worthiness and success.

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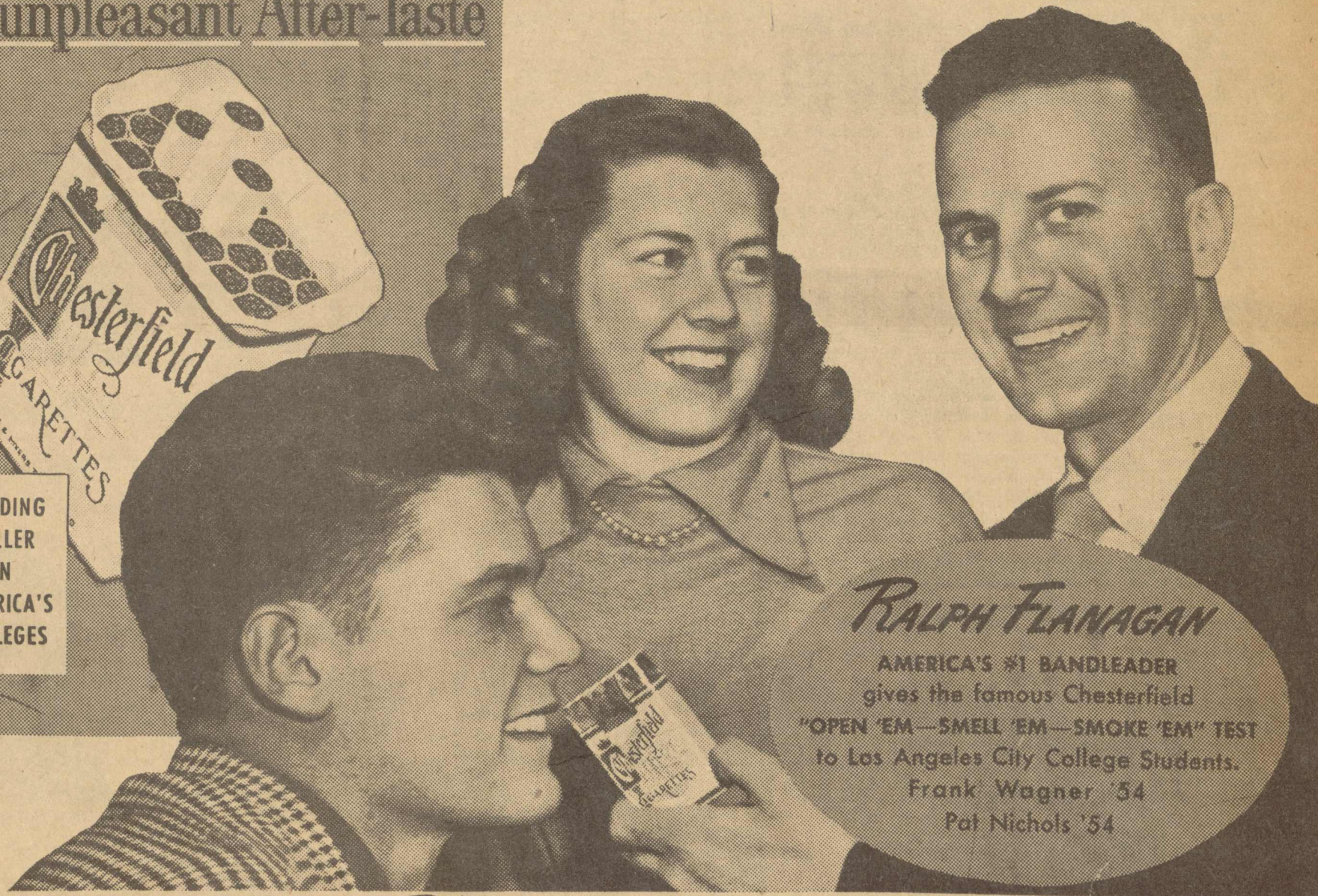
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## International Review Of 1951' To Be May Day Program Theme

East Central's annual May Day program, the theme of which is "International Review of 1951," will be presented at 5:30 p. m. May 5 on the College campus.

The outstanding feature of the program is the presentation of the May Queen, her court, and the college and high school Who's Who, which is under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Newsome. The program which follows the crowning of the May Queen is under the direction of Miss Eunice Eilau, the women's physical education instructor.

"International Review of 1951" is composed of dances and music from six different countries. The costumes will be characteristic of the country they represent.

There is in the program a Swedish Klapp Dans, a Russian Weaving dance, an Italian Neapolitan dance with handkerchiefs, some rhythmic gymnastics with chairs, the entrance of which will be to a Polish polka and the gymnastics to the tune "You and You", a German Waltz by Strauss. Other gymnastics in pyramid building are also planned if equipment is available. America will be represented by the traditional Rose Chain, composed of sixteen girls and their escorts, who will enter last and do the dance of the May Pole.

The program will begin with the entrance of the May Queen, Nell Myatt and her court. Those in the court are Ruth Richie, Sam Thomas, Nancy Dell Herrington, Lamar Weems, Jane Todd, Cecil Murray, Johnnie Ray, Murray Allen, Frances Burt, Bobby Caldwell, Becky Roberts and Johnny

Jones.

Following the presentation of the Queen and court, the college and high school Who's Who will be presented. Immediately after this the Queen will be crowned.

The girls physical education department will have charge of the dances with sixteen boys assisting them in the May Pole dance. Those participating in the Dance of the May Pole include: Waltering Moore, V. C. Marter, Margaret Germany, James Croxten, Sara Williams, Charles McMullan, Ellen Stokes, Perry Lowry, Marlene Sigrest, D. A. Wallace, Ann Kirkpatrick, Wilmer Fulton, Shirley Hardy, Pete Kemp, Betty Freeny, Marlin Moore, Gwendolyn Pilgrim, Jack Spivey, Nancy Walton, Norman Thomas, Pat Browning, Leonard Browning, Dorothy Smith, Richard Harris, June Addikson, Dwight Addikson, Glenda Burkes, Fred Jones, Walterine Herrington, Jack Kilgore, Marjorie Melton and James Holloway.

Musical numbers will be rendered by soloist, Eddie Ray Loper, and the sextet composed of Marlene Bedwell, Billie Wright, Patsy Johnson, Martha Milling and Elizabeth Nester. The accompanists for these selections are Clara Hollingsworth and Martha Milling.

### NOTICE!

Frederic Balazs, renowned Hungarian violinist, will perform in the Little Auditorium on Wednesday night, April 11, at 7:30 p. m. instead of Monday, April 9 as was formerly scheduled.

## East Central College Is Selected As Site For Deferment Test

East Central Junior College has been selected as one of the nine schools in the State of Mississippi authorized to give the Selective Service Qualification Tests. The tests will be given on May 26, June 16, and June 30 of this year.

The tests are being given to determine the relative qualifications of registrants for college work. The scores on the tests will serve as evidence to the draft board of the applicant's aptitude for continued college work and, along with his scholastic record, will be considered by the draft board in passing on the registrant's application for deferment.

To be eligible to take the test, an applicant must be under twenty-six years of age, must be satisfactorily passing a course in college leading to a degree, and must not have previously taken the test.

All registrants who wish to take the test should apply immediately. Application forms may be procured from any Selective Service local board, along with general information concerning the test, a list of colleges where the examinations will be given, and a description and sample of the test.

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## Voice-Piano Recital To Be April 26

The pupils of Mrs. Madden's voice and piano department, assisted by the Glee Club, will be presented in a recital, Thursday, April 26, at 7:45 in the Little Auditorium.

The program will begin with a  
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## Twenty Evaluators To Be On Campus To Inspect College April 23-26

Twenty outstanding visitors, each an expert in his field, will be on the campus at East Central from April 23 through April 26 to inspect every aspect of this institution. By checking the findings of the faculty evaluating committees, they will complete the final step in the year-long project of evaluation.

Dr. J. W. Reynolds, a professor in the University of Texas and one of the most outstanding junior college authorities in the nation, will head the group of visiting inspectors as general coordinator. Most of the other visi-

tors will be Mississippians representing senior colleges, the Department of Education, and other junior colleges. Each one of the twenty visitors is an expert in the particular phase of college work that he will be called upon to evaluate.

The week's work by the group will be initiated at three o'clock on the afternoon of Monday, April 23. A meeting will be held at this time to welcome the visitors to the campus and to organize the plans for the project. Then will commence the task of evaluating the school, a task that includes close inspection of all facilities, attending classroom discussions, interviewing students, and determining the needs of students who attend this institution, and how well these needs are being met.

The purpose of the evaluation is not to impress the visitors with this institution, but rather to give them a chance to help this institution face the facts of shortcomings and of needed improvements. It has been urged that students show a friendly and co-operative attitude toward the inspectors and try to keep campus life and class room work as normal as possible.

The evaluation project that has required a great deal of work on the part of the faculty for the entire year is a voluntary undertaking designed to benefit the school. According to Dr. Todd, "Our object is self-study and we haven't skipped a single item. We frankly appraise every item of our program. Our object is to make what we believe is a good school a better one."

## Charles A. Carter Resigns Position For Army Duty

Mr. Charles A. Carter, Business manager of East Central Junior College, has been called to active duty in the U. S. Army and will report to TSU 9150, Columbia, Ohio on April 25.

Mr. Carter assumed the duties of business manager here last January, coming to East Central from Ole Miss where he held the position of purchasing agent.

He is a graduate of East Central Junior College and the University of Mississippi, receiving high scholastic honors in both institutions. Upon graduating from the university, he qualified as one of Mississippi's four certified Public Accountants on the basis of an examination in which seventy people competed.

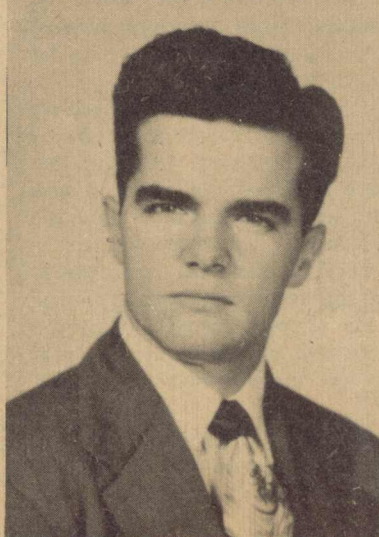
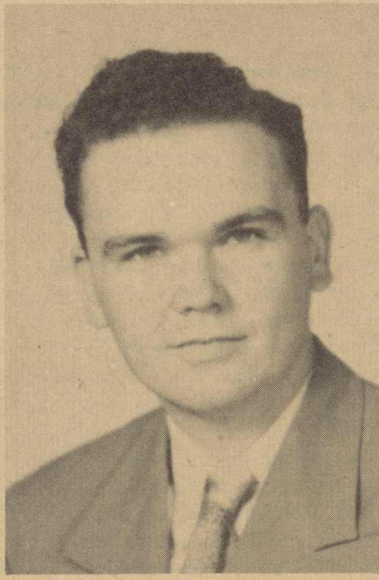
Mr. Carter holds the rank of First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army.

# Tom-Tom Executive Staff Chosen For '51-'52



### NEW LEADERS FOR THE TOM-TOM STAFF

Upper left, Sarah Warner Craft, Associate Editor; Lower left, Betty Payne, Assistant Business Manager; Center, Walterine Herrington, Editor-in-Chief; Upper Right, Murray Allen, Associate Editor; Lower right, Grady Edwards, Business Manager.



## Walterine Herrington To Be Chief Editor For Ensuing Year

The executive staff of The Tom-Tom, for 1951-52, have been selected. The group includes in the major editorial positions Walterine Herrington, Sara Warner Craft and Murray Allen. Those who will head the Business Staff are Grady Edwards and Betty Payne.

Walterine Herrington, selected editor-in-chief for the coming year, served as associate editor of the paper last semester, and did the work of both reporter and columnist during her first semester on the staff. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Herrington, Walterine graduated from Union High School with high honors. She was valedictorian of her class and also received the Bausch Lomb Science award. Walterine, "Sissy", has had plenty of experience in the field of journalism, working as managing editor of the school paper her junior year and business manager her senior year. Enrolled in the pre-med curriculum in East Central, this Newton Countian has served during her freshman year as president of the Sigma Sigma Mau Tau and was the recipient of the Chemistry Award. She is also reporter of the freshman class. Miss Herrington's comment on being chosen editor-in-chief was

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### Help Make Evaluation A Real Evaluation

The thing which has occupied such a major position in thoughts, work, and plans of East Central's faculty members for so many months is almost upon us. Yes, the long-awaited evaluation of our school is about to become a reality.

Although the responsibility of preparing for this all-important event has rested on the shoulders of the administration and the faculty, we, the student body, are to be active participants in the actual process of evaluating this school. It is to be hoped that we will be as deeply concerned with carrying out our part in this program as our supervisors are.

Probably many of us will be approached for our personal opinions on certain phases of our college work by the visiting college instructors who will be judging this school from every angle. All of us will definitely attend classes at which members of the evaluation committee will be present. Since the object of this entire program is strictly one of improvement, we should certainly be sincere and honest in our answers to their queries and make our conduct in the classroom as desirable as possible.

Of course, there is no necessity for our taxing mental apparatus in order to convey the impression that East Central's student body is composed only of budding young geniuses with Einstein I. Q.'s. No, we certainly do not want to do that, but let's at least act normal and show that we have the ability to do college-level work.

We must be honest when we're asked to pass our verdict as to whether or not the courses in which we're enrolled are giving us what we think they should. If we feel that we might profit more with a different classroom procedure, then we should be frank in saying so. That is what is expected of us.

However, don't you think it is equally important that we should give credit where credit is due? We should play up the superior qualities of our college. We are aware that improvements are possible in some departments, but let's do our utmost to help East Central put its best foot forward on every occasion we can sincerely do so. After all, it's our college and its evaluation is our evaluation.

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### Get In Line, Booneville!

It seems that a foul, called in the last forty seconds of play with the score tied in the Mississippi Junior College Basketball tournament finals, could very well have been the difference between the Junior college of this state being represented in the National tournament by a team of which they could have been proud and their being disgraced by the group which did represent them. On the mind of this writer and of hundreds of other Junior college basketball fans the glory of Booneville's thrilling last minute triumph over Wesson has faded and in its place has come a regret that the fickle Lady Luck decided in the waning minutes of the championship game that Booneville should have the win.

From here the situation at Northeast looks like this: Booneville has an administration that is publicity mad, a coach who is trying desperately to build for himself a little reputation, and a bunch of basketball players who have no more judgment than to let themselves be used as the instruments of both the coach and the administration, as the two try to carry out their own selfish purposes.

It is rather obvious that the Northeast J. C. administration has been striving to give their school a little public recognition, and depended on the basketball team as the medium. As a result the sport is being extremely overemphasized. Only winners receive acclaim and to win, at Booneville, has become an objective to be gained at all costs and by fair means or foul.

The coach at Booneville has lost sight of the main objective of any amateur sports. He has forgotten that a coach is supposed to be paid to serve the welfare of his players; not to make his players sacrifice unduly of their time and energy in order to win a few more ball games and make him appear a better coach. It's a dead cinch that those players at Booneville who participated in sixty or seventy ball games this year didn't and couldn't put proper emphasis on their school work. The apparent unconcern of the Booneville coach for the welfare of his players coupled with the sneak trick he pulled in using a professional player in the national tournament makes him a poor coach no matter how many ball games he won.

The players are probably victims of the selfish purposes of the school and the coach. But they should have judgment enough to realize that, while winning a state championship is great, getting an

education along with it is of greater and more lasting importance. Booneville richly deserves the blasts it has suffered from the press in the last couple of weeks for its professional attitude toward an amateur sport. It isn't the only school that overemphasizes sports, not by a long shot, but it has reached a new low and should be condemned for it. A little house-cleaning is in order up Booneville way.

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### You, Too, Are Responsible . . .

Fifteen major educational issues are now before Congress. The decisions of the National legislative body concerning these questions may seriously affect American students of all mental and age levels.

Two of these questions—"Should general Federal aid be given to Colleges and Universities" and "Should a national scholarship and fellowship program be established"—merit the attention of all serious minded College students.

We feel that the enactment of such measures would definitely give a well deserved helping hand to financially struggling institutions and many of their equally struggling scholars. We believe that such legislation becomes doubly important in periods of international crisis as the one in which we now find ourselves involved. The "brains" who determine the course which our military policy is to take have already proved by their decision relative to the deferment of superior students that they believe that the degree of schooling America's young men possess will play a leading role in our struggle to maintain our position of world leadership.

Since our senators and representatives are really nothing more than our spokesmen, why shouldn't we contact them, urging that such beneficial congressional action be taken? You yourself may see little necessity for such steps, but to many, many boys and girls scattered throughout the United States the passage of these bills might mean a great deal. Won't you take time to do this simple little thing, the result of which would eventually affect us all?

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### "Hitch Your Wagon To A Star!"

"Ah, but a man's reach should exceed his grasp." How very beneficial would this statement of Robert Browning's be to our individual lives if we but took it to heart!

One of the greatest faults of most college students is the fact that they don't have enough ambition, enough spontaneity to desire things better than they are capable of obtaining quickly and easily.

Most college students, it has been observed, are at that period of life when the least obstacle in their pathway to success makes them so dispirited that they refuse to make another attempt or set up higher goals toward which to climb. They do not seem to realize that true success does not lie so much in attainment as in a desire for something beyond; it is not accomplishment by which people are to be measured so much as by the goals which they set themselves for their individual lives.

It is indeed marvelous and stimulating to an individual to see another earnestly and persistently strive toward something that might be unattainable at the moment. In contrast, it is extremely dispiriting to see an individual who is entirely satisfied with his way of life—a person who is content in his mediocre state of being to merely exist from day to day without contributing anything worthwhile as he journeys through life.

How wonderful it would be if we, as college students, could realize the importance of Robert Browning's statement and accept the great challenge that it presents! I truly think, and I believe, that with due consideration, you will agree, that it is better to strive for anything. Somehow this trends to strengthen the character and make one stronger and abler to face life in an unflinching way. So, I say, let's hitch our wagon to a star!

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### F.F.A. Track Meet On Decatur Campus; Newton County Wins

The annual F.F.A. bi-county track meet was held on the campus of East Central Saturday, March 24. Mr. Bickerstaff and Mr. Palmer were in charge of registering and setting up the events for the Chapters from the six schools participating from Newton and Jasper county.

Newton won the meet with 17 points, while the local Decatur boys made 14 points for second place. The third place winner was Stringer with 13 points. The other schools were Conehatta, 6 points; Louin, 5 points; and Union, 5 points.

The boys from Newton with their events and placing were: Smith, 50 yd. dash, second place, 100 yd. dash, first place, and 220 yd. dash, third place; Thrash, shot putt—first place, discus, first place, and baseball throw, second place; and Steel, sack race, third place.

The boys representing Decatur in the track meet were: Graham, 50 yd. dash, first place; Vance, broad jump, first place; Griffin, discus, third place; Todd, baseball throw, third place and Smith, sack race, first place.

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### 'Creative' Tests Replace Final Exams

Pittsburg, Pa. (I.P.)—The passing of general examinations which cover both the basic course and the major field will no longer be required for graduation at Penn-

sylvania College for Women, it was announced here recently.

However, for the purpose of evaluating the curriculum seniors will still take tests covering the basic course during the second semester. The exams will be compiled with greater imagination and experimentation so that students will discover inter-relationships among the courses in the five areas of study—man, the universe, social relationships, aesthetic achievements, and the organization of experience.

Examinations in the students' major fields will not be given at all, since a tutorial, which is a research paper or project in the major at this institution is required for graduation and is completed under the supervision of the faculty during the senior year.

Seniors will take final examinations as usual in their elected courses both semesters.

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Three experiments which were tried at a recent meeting of the Psychology Club at Baltimore Junior College, were successful.

Highlight of the meeting was the last experiment. Three students left the room and the club selected an eight-of-spades from a deck of cards. Dr. John W. Musselman, faculty advisor, concentrated and transmitted brain waves to Mrs. Gardner some miles away. The three students, unaware of the correct card, were instructed to telephone Mrs. Gardner and ask her what she thought the card was. She replied, "the eight-of-spades" to the club's astonishment.

## In My Opinion

The Korea situation is bringing many hardships to the people of the world. In distant lands where the ravages of war are being felt humanity is suffering—suffering from the cold, from hunger, and from lack of shelter. Here in America, even at East Central, we are suffering. True, not from being hungry or clothed less or shelterless, but with the strain and terror of facing a war that will only bring gloom and destruction to all our future anticipated desires—desires that include an education, financial security, and an abundant, happy life. Young men and boys who have been marching away to war, and leaving vacant spots on campuses all over the world will not have the opportunity to see their dreams, education being one of the most important ones, become realities.

But to the remaining young men and boys the question could be asked, "Are you going to stay in school?" In my opinion, even though I will not have to make such a decision, I believe it will be more profitable to everyone to stay in school. In a recent assembly, Dr. Todd explained thoroughly the new draft procedure, which, in short, allows boys if they really want an education to get one. "Their scholastic rating will be determined by tests, and students rating in the proper quadrant of their class will be permitted to continue their education," explained Dr. Todd.

What does this mean? It means that boys will have to acquire habits of industry, persistence, and diligent study. They are going to be in competition with some of the most brilliant and intelligent people, each striving for the same thing as they. It will be a great challenge to all young men—study or fight—which shall it be?

Each person will have to decide for himself whether he will continue his education or whether he will join the forces of Uncle Sam. His fate will be in his own hands. In considering such a decision I would like to leave a well-known poet's thoughts with you.

"It matters not how straight the gate,  
How charged with punishment the scroll,  
I am the master of my fate,  
I am the captain of my soul."

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### Campus Christianity

By LOUISE WARE

While Jesus was teaching during his great Galilean Ministry, he spoke the parable of the mustard seed to his listeners. He compared the mustard seed to the kingdom of God. "This seed, though it be less than all others when it is sown, grows and becomes greater than all the herbs."

We find the kingdom of God through faith and that faith begins as small as the mustard seed but grows with our experiences and spiritual relationships with God. Christ says in his teachings that faith comparable in amount to the grain of mustard seed would remove mountains. If we do not have that much faith, what shall we do? We should exercise that which we do have though it be a small amount, and as we do this, our supply will grow. There is no other way to make progress in faith.

A sure way not to grow in faith is to pretend to have more than we really possess. We need to begin with the simple, small belief that is ours, face life with it, and try by using it to acquire more. Once a man called upon Jesus to heal his son. Jesus said that he would if the man could believe. The man replied, "Lord, I believe, help thou mine unbelief." (Mark 9:24).

There is the key to progress in this grace. There is the proper prayer for every Christian who would have a stronger faith.



## Social Highlights

Miss Shirley Hardy spent the Easter week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coghlan of Newton.

Miss Maurice Smith spent last Sunday night with Mrs. Almo L. Shealy of Decatur.

Miss Pat Williamson has spent the past two week ends with her grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Monroe.

Miss Barbara Husbands was the guest of Jane Johnson during the week end of Easter.

Miss Dot Smith visited Billie Jewel Thrash of Union last week end.

Miss Barbara Wright was a guest in the home of Olive Doyle last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Myres visited their daughter, Juanita on the campus last Sunday.

Miss Edna Hollingsworth was the week end guest of Nancy Herington.

Elsie Estes, Wade Green, Ann Nance and George Metz, all of Mississippi Southern, visited on the campus last Friday.

Miss Betty Payne spent the past week end with Miss Bonnie Morrow of Carthage.

Miss Shirley Hardy spent last Friday and Saturday on the Mississippi Southern campus with Ann Nance.

Miss Frances Hutton who has been absent from school for several days because she was injured in a car wreck has returned to school.

Miss Adell Russell visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chaney of Hickory last week end.

Miss Barbara Nicholson and Miss Doris Bobo spent last week end in the home of Margaret McKinney.

Coyt Vance, R. J. Smith and Kenneth Thornton of Mississippi State visited on the campus last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Germany visited their daughter, Margaret, Easter Sunday and they all went to Lena to visit Mrs. G. W. Pace.

Miss Freda Gardner was the guest of Carolyn Fulton last week end.

Miss Sara Aycock visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Williams of Hickory Easter Sunday. She visited her parents at Mobile, Alabama, the past week end.

## EC Science Students To Attend Meeting At Delta State Col.

Several East Central students, with Mr. Frank Cross, Mr. R. C. Roberts and Mr. F. E. Leatherwood, will attend the fifteenth meeting of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences, Inc. on April 27-28 at Delta State Teachers College, Cleveland, Mississippi.

The activities planned will include a business session, the presentation of scientific papers by both students and teachers, a tea in the home of President and Mrs. W. M. Kethley, and a banquet at which a panel discussion will be conducted by Mr. Hendrix Dawson of the Game and Fish Commission.

The Pre-Medical Symposium will hold its annual meeting on Saturday morning at 9:00. A tour has been planned to the Baxter Laboratories in Cleveland and the Delta Branch Experiment Station at Stoneville.

Mr. F. E. Leatherwood of the East Central faculty is a member of the Resolutions Committee for the meeting.

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## Walterine Herrington

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"Although I feel unworthy of the honor which has been bestowed upon me as editor of the Tom-Tom, I will do my best to carry along the slogan of the paper 'Toward A bigger and better E. C. J. C.'"

Sara Craft, freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Craft, Union, will serve as one of the associate editors. This young lady was an outstanding senior at Union, being editor of the school paper, secretary of the student council, and a member of the glee club. In her two semesters at East Central, Sara has been a member of Wesley, Y-Council, Y M.-Y. W., F. B. L. A. and a columnist for the Tom-Tom. Sara's plans after graduating from East Central are very indefinite. Of her selection as associate editor, Miss Craft said, "I feel that it is a great honor to have been chosen, associate editor of The Tom-Tom and I will strive to uphold the high standards that The Tom-Tom advocates."

Murray Allen, a freshman from Hickory, has been selected to fill one of the positions of associate editor. Murray graduated from Hickory as president of the student body, class president, and winner of the citizenship award. At East Central Murray is enrolled in the Liberal Arts Curriculum and plans to attend Mississippi State after graduating here. He is an outstanding figure in extra curricular activities on the College campus, being a member of the Y.M.-Y.W., Projection Club and reporter for the Tom-Tom. Murray's remarks on being selected associate editor was "I was surprised but am proud of the honor to serve as associate editor, and I shall do my utmost to carry out my duties."

Grady Edwards of Union will be Business Manager of the paper. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Edwards, a graduate of Union High School, and an ex-marine in World War II. In high school Grady's main interest was football. At East Central he is a member of the advertising staff of the Tom-Tom. Grady announced that his selection of a senior college was Mississippi Southern where he will continue his education. Grady's remarks concerning being selected Business Manager were, "I was surprised at being chosen business manager, and I will do my best to make my work successful."

Betty Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Payne, Newton, will assist Mr. Edwards as business manager next year. Miss Payne is a graduate of Newton High

## Roving Reporter on Draft Regulations

Additional laws, new developments, and different procedures are being submitted by the authorities regularly concerning the draft and military training. High school graduates and college students both are now in the process of reviewing their plans for the future as a result of the latest development in the draft regulations. As stated by President Todd, boys will be given tests and their scholastic ratings will determine whether or not they will be inducted into the armed services.

Lucky me, it fell my lot to talk to some of the boys, both college and high school students, and discuss their future plans with them in the light of the new draft regulations.

The first person I talked to was Charles McMullan, who is in the engineering department. When asked how the new proceedings had affected his plans, Charles said, "I'm going to stay in school as long as I possibly can. Guess I will just play along with the draft board."

Johnny Jones, Sophomore who is planning to attend Ole Miss next fall, finds the new laws very satisfactory. In an assuring tone he said, "They suit me fine because now maybe I won't have to go to the army, since I do have a chance to stay in school and that is really what I want to do."

High school senior, Buner Lee Griffin, plans to continue his schooling. That is, as he so meaningfully stated it, "if I pass the test!"

W. A. Pogue when asked had the new law affected his plans for the future answered dynamically, "Yes". He went on to explain that he had planned to join the Navy, but now he thought he would settle down and study a little bit and stay in school.

"It will enable me to finish school, if I pass the test," said Cater Elliot. Cater, just as many others, plans to finish his education if at all possible.

The last person I approached on this subject was Freshman, Charles Munn. Charles in answer to my question said, "My plans for the future are still rather uncertain, but I will probably stay in school if I can."

From this poll one can readily see that the new draft laws are looked upon favorably by prac-

school, where she was a cheer leader, feature editor of the school paper, and a member of the Y-Teens and Glee Club. Betty, a secretarial student at East Central, has participated in many activities this year. She wore the black and gold of Warrior Cheer Leader, and was a member of the F.B.L.A., I.R.C., and Tom-Tom Staff. Of her new job on The Tom-Tom, Betty's comment was, "I feel honored for being chosen assistant business manager and I will try to the best of my ability to do what is expected of me."

## Cast Is Selected For Senior Play

Cast for "Midsummer Night's Dream," the Drama Club's annual spring production, was recently selected.

Glen Eaves will make his first appearance as Lysander, one of the two mad lovers in two conflicting romances. Oberon, king of the Fairies, will be performed by Jerry Williamson who acted as Simon in "Family Portrait." Barbara Husbands, also a member of the cast for "Family Portrait," will act as queen of the Fairies, Titania. The two beautiful girls, Helena and Hermia who constitute the female competition in the romance will be played by Frances Cook and Mary Ann Scoggin respectively. Jane Johnson will be presented as Puck, the mischief-making fairy elf.

Lamar Weems will impersonate Theseus, Duke of Athens, with Pat Wright Browning his queen, Hippolyta. The humorous characters will consist of Connie Smith as Quince, Cecil Murray, Bottom, Wade Morris, Snug, Leonard Browning, Flute and Grayson, McMullan, Snout.

Other Fairies are Ruthine Ferguson, Sue Franklin, Eva Nell Boggan, Wanda Ferguson, Sue Johnson, and Edwina Breazeale. Demetrius, the rival lover, and Philostrate will be selected in the near future.

The play will be presented on the front campus, May 3 and 4. Costumes are being rented in order to have the authentic Shakespearean outfits. Special features will be musical numbers and three dances presented by Mrs. Marion Francis and her dancing students.

Production that will be given is the Globe Theater Version of the play which is greatly shortened from the original one. This is the version which was very successfully presented at both Chicago and New York World Fairs a few years ago by a group of English actors.

Joe Lewis will be in charge of lighting.

Rehearsals are now in progress.

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## New B.S.U. Council, Selected For '51-'52

The new BSU Council members for the year 1951-1952 have been elected.

The president of the 1951-1952 council will be Duane Burgess. Ruth Richardson, Barbara Dean Bridges and Carolyn Fulton will serve as 1st, 2nd and 3rd vice-president, respectively. James Breland will act as chorister and Martha Milling will serve as pianist. Patsy Cleveland will fill the office of secretary. Janys Ming, Y. W. A. president and Dorothy Smith, editor of the paper, complete the newly elected council.

These officers were installed April 8 at a formal installation service held at the Baptist Church.

tically everyone. As you take the test, the one deciding factor, we say, "More power to you, boys!"

## Faculty Facts And Falderal

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker Jr., Miss Una Harris, Miss Eunice Eilau, and Mr. T. R. McCann attended church in Meridian, Sunday after which they enjoyed a birthday dinner at Weidman's in honor of Miss Eilau.

Mrs. Frank Cross, Mrs. R. C. Roberts, Mrs. L. O. Todd, and Mrs. R. D. Douglas attended the annual WSCS conference which was held at Meridian April 2, 3, and 4. Mrs. Cross is recording secretary of the conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Simmons of Starkville visited friends on the campus Saturday.

Mr. John Grace, Mr. W. A. Vincent, Mr. Wilson Taylor and Mr. Bert Evans attended a Sunday School party at Blount's Lodge Thursday afternoon.

Mr. F. E. Leatherwood has been at Wesson since Sunday. He is serving on the committee participating in the evaluation of the school there, which was to take place from April 9 through April 11.

Mrs. L. S. Peek and daughter, Sandra visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Grace S. Gardner, Friday. Mrs. Gardner had just returned from St. Dominic hospital in Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grace had as their guests last week end Mr. and Mrs. Glen Slay from Tyler-town.

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## LOTS OF WATER

The U.S. possesses more than 50 artificial reservoirs each of which has a capacity of over a million acre-feet.

## Brand-Cardwell Exchange Vows

Miss Shirley Brand, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brand of Decatur and Mr. James Cardwell, son of Mr. Fred Cardwell, were united in marriage March 14.

The couple was married in the home of the officiating minister, Rev. W. T. Mangum of Enterprise, Miss.

The bride and groom have resumed their studies at East Central, where Shirley is a senior in high school and James a sophomore in college.

## Former EC Graduates Make Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jolly of Carthage announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joy, to Duell Lee Hamill of Martin, Tennessee.

The wedding will be solemnized April 15.

The bride-elect graduated from East Central Junior College in 1948 and has for the past three years been a member of the Edinburg faculty. The groom also graduated from East Central and later from Mississippi State College, with a major in agriculture. He is now serving as County Agent with headquarters at Martin, Tennessee.

## Miss Becky Johnson Weds Jack A. Pope

Miss Becky Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnson of Decatur was married to Jack A. Pope March 10. The ceremony was solemnized in the home of Rev. W. T. Fangum of Enterprise.

The bride has returned to school at Decatur High School while the groom is serving in the U. S. Army at Fort Jackson, S. C.

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MONDAY and TUESDAY, APRIL 23 and 24  
FRENCHIE

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, APRIL 25 and 26  
THE JACKPOT



## Hilarious Comedy To Hit East Central

### 'Tish', Senior Play Offers Everything!

"Tish", the play to be presented by the senior class of Decatur, is a hilarious comedy that will bring howls of laughter from the audience. How do I know? Well, lucky me, I just sat through a complete rehearsal and my sides are still aching, I laughed so much.

As the curtain rises, petite Mary Frances Easom catches the spotlight. I sit rather puzzled for a moment, but as the play progresses I discover that Mary Frances plays the part of Ellen Leighton, proprietor of "The Eagle Hotel" and that she gets involved in a love affair with Charlie Sands, portrayed by Jerry Harris. Jerry with his boyish manner and buoyant personality will capture any girl's heart as he struggles through the ups and downs that are typical of any romance.

Say, who's that waving a gun in her hand? Oh, that 200 lb.

### New Art Department Recently Completed By 'Builders' Class

The Builders' Trade Class of East Central has recently completed a building project which is to be used as the Art Department.

This building, situated Northeast of Newton Hall and below the Builders' Trade Department, was begun in June, 1950. Planned and designed by Dr. L. O. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Clyburn and Mr. Thomas Mayo, the overseers were Mr. W. A. Spivey and Mr. A. D. Clyburn.

The brick structure, which is 44' x 28' and whose interior is finished throughout with plaster, was constructed as a class project by the masonry, carpentry, and electrical engineering divisions of the Industrial Department.

The Art Department will have two class rooms, a store room, and an office when it moves its location from Newton Hall to the completed structure.

A concrete walk, planned to extend from the building to the walkway parallel to the coordinator's office, will complete the entire project.

woman, surely I don't know her! And the old lady suffering from hay fever, who is she? I get out my spectacles and to my amazement discover that my first impression was absolutely correct. Yes, Marlene Bedwell as the blunt, outspoken but yet entirely loveable "Tish" will thrill the audience as she magnificently creates one episode after another. What energy! What vitality at the age of fifty-five—amazing! incredible, but yet it is love. Tish has a craving for mystery, excitement, and fun and in this fast-moving comedy she exhibits all three. The two characters accompanying Tish were not, for some unknown reason, endowed with the youthfulness possessed by Tish and therefore resulted in two slow and methodical personalities, Aggie and Lizzie. Lizzie who is built on a roly-poly plan, tipping the scales at about 200 lbs., is played by none other than Eddie Ray Loper, who is slow in her movements and speaks in a drawly and drawn-out manner. Her fellow sufferer is Aggie, played by Pat Williamson, a winy old spinster, suffering from excessive sneezing and bemoaning her long-lost love, who, as Aggie puts it, "Fell off the barn on his head."

Who is that pompous gentleman, giving or I should say trying, to give orders to Tish. Believe it or not, that stout, imposing man who has an irate temper is Buner Lee Griffin, portraying Luther Hopkins, who tries to boss everyone, including Callie, his vivacious daughter, played by Shirley Brand. You should see Tish show her a thing or two! She makes it very plain who's boss!

The mystery that is so characteristic of "Tish" is supplied by Johnny Graham and Sammie Harbourn as they impersonate Denby Grimes and Dorice Gaylord. The sheriff, Tim Pike, portrayed by Edward Gordon, assumes an air of bravado as he exercises his duties and, when his heart isn't looking, he falls hopelessly in love with Lizzie.

Other action is supplied by Bettina Trent, played by Clara Hollingsworth, Wery Andrews, played by Gerald Cook, and the little Mexican girl, Quintella Duffee,

## News Is Received From Guard Unit At Fort Jackson

The following letter was received by Dr. Todd from Jack Partridge who left with the Guard Unit for Fort Jackson, South Carolina in January:

—Editor

Fort Jackson, S. C.  
March 30, 1951

Dear Dr. Todd:

I'm writing this in the capacity of Public Information Non-Commissioned Officer, but it seems that I am more an ex-ECJC student (maybe pupil in Miss Harris's estimation) than a PINCO. If I get untechnical at times, charge it to sentiment.

Only two months have passed since Service Battery left Decatur, but it seems ages. What a well packed two months this has been! First off, we lost Captain Ferguson to the Artillery School for thirteen weeks. We're hoping that he will come back to the battery after he finishes school but, as you know, you can't keep a good man down. Rumors are that he is going to be the Division Artillery Supply Officer. That means about the same as a double promotion or a jump from the first grade to the third grade in grammar school.

I'm sure that you've already heard of the way that Denver Bracken and Howard Sessums hit the Army Basketball League. I don't know how the Eighth Division found out about their basketball playing, but we hadn't been here two weeks when all of a sudden the whole Eighth Division was trying to get them in school so that they could play ball with that unit. They are responsible for about three fourths of the publicity received by Service Battery. We're really proud of them, too.

Several of our men are graduating from schools this weekend. S. F. Carlisle graduated from the Supply School this morning with honors. He was one of the fourteen in his class that attained these honors. J. P. Hurst and Bob Lasseter will graduate from the Leadership Course tomorrow. It's an honor to a person just to truthfully say that he stuck for the full eight weeks and graduated.

We had our first taste of war last Wednesday and from all reports from the troops it was rather bitter to most. You would be surprised to know just how close to the ground a soldier can get. You have probably heard of the Army's Infiltration Course. All it amounts to is about fifty yards of uphill sand, crawling all the way on your stomach with real live ammunition being fired from machine guns, sending bullets whistling past your head, just forty inches about the ground, and dynamite going off all around you just to add confusion, noise, fright, and flying sand. In regard to getting low, I practically buried myself.

How is the Drama Club's Spring production coming on? One thing sure, if I ever get my schedule rounded out so that I can have a few minutes off in the evening, I'm going to get back in the old stage managing line.

If the time element permits, I will write every week, giving any information available on former ECJC students.

Give my regards to all the faculty and students. You might tell Mrs. Todd that her pineapple sherbert would go very well with

who frightened the three old spinsters with her "Ugh".

What's going to happen to Tish? Will Ellen and Charlie solve their problem? Would you like to know the answers? If so, don't miss this delightful production of "Tish", which will be presented April 16 and 17.



Jack Mayo promoted to Army Air Force Flight Lieutenant.

## College Graduate, Named Flight Lieut. In Army Air Force

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mayo, of the East Central faculty have received word that their son, Jack, has been made First Lieutenant in his squadron in the Air Force Cadets.

Jack, in the months he has been in the Air Force, has established an enviable record. He is an upper classman now and, according to the judgment expressed by his roommate, he is the best pilot in their group. Reports show that he is making excellent grades in all his classes. He has made sev-

these warm days we're having here. It is with a hopeful eye that we look forward to being at East Central again.

Very truly yours,  
Jack Partridge, Sgt. 1 cl  
Unit Administrator  
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## EC Education Class Attends Career Day At Southern College

Members of the Education Class sponsored by Mrs. Janie Sullivan attended Career Day Festivities at Mississippi Southern College Friday, March 30. This day is set aside annually for high school seniors and Junior College graduates to get acquainted with M. S. C.

After the welcome and registration in the Administration

eral solo cross country flights and is taking up night flying now. After he has finished his training, he will graduate as a Second Lieutenant.

Jack graduated from East Central in 1950 with distinction after taking part in many extra curricular activities. He was president of the Student Activity Committee, played in the band, was vice-president of the Engineering Club, and participated in football and track one year.

Jack will finish his training at Ferrin Air Force Base in Sherman, Texas in five more weeks. He does not know where he will be sent after that.

Building, the group attended a program in the college auditorium entitled "College Life." Lunch was served in the college dining hall after which demonstrations of tumbling and acrobatics, square dancing, and basketball were presented in the Sports Arena. The special activities of the day were ended with the R.O.T.C. department presenting its artillery battalion in a review on the football field. For the remainder of the afternoon the visitors were free to attend other activities or visit class rooms or special departments of interest to them.

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### NOT SO CLEAN!

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# RIGLER RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

Five young high school football players visited the campus last Saturday morning to show off their grid skill in an effort to make Coach John Grace's team next year.

The boys are from Tylertown and ten of the local grid stars scrimmaged against them. Coach Grace states that several of the men looked pretty good and may see action in Warrior Stadium next season.

Yes, the tennis season is about here and interested parties have already begun practice. Coach Leatherwood says that matches will be arranged with other Junior Colleges on dates that the baseball team plays.

When asked about prospects for the State Tournament to be played in Summit next month Leatherwood did not make a statement about the boys' chances, he said definitely that he has a pair of

girls who will give any two a good race in the girls' doubles.

Two courts are being put in good condition and Mr. Leatherwood urges all who would like to try for the tennis team to begin practice right away during their spare time.

East Central's baseball team travels to Goodman Saturday for a return game. This is to be the third game played this season.

The local nine has games scheduled throughout April and part of May. The Junior College circuit is divided into the North and the South division. At the end of the season the top ranking North team plays the top team from the South for the state championship.

Although the Warriors lost their first game 11-3 to Ellisville, Coach Grace states that definite improvements have been made in the team and a fair if not good season is expected.



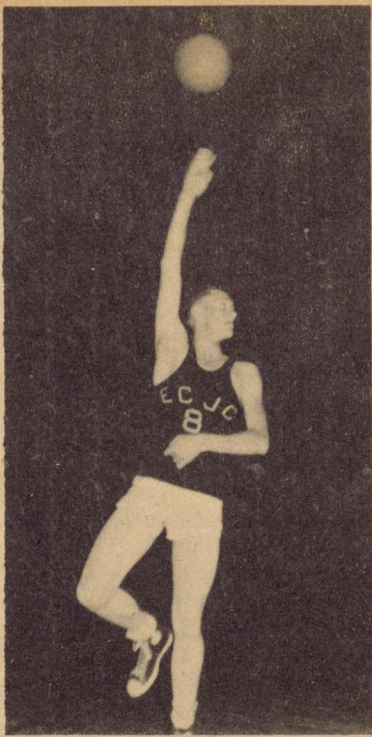
Baseball Gets Underway at East Central.

## Summer Session, Expanded Cur. Meet War Needs

Richmond, Ind. (II. P.)—"How will a small college such as Earlham adjust to the pressure of the present national and international situation?" This question was

discussed by President Thomas E. Jones at a recently held student-faculty assembly. A special summer school session, similar to that conducted during World War II, is one answer Dr. Jones declared.

Supplementing the year-round program will be an expansion of



Richard Harris leaps for fame, wins place on all-state basketball squad.

## Richard Harris On All-State Team

For the second straight year East Central has placed a man on the All-State basketball team. This year's man was Richard Harris.

Last season's men were Denver Bracken and Howard Sessums. It is interesting to note that two of the three men placed on the team in the history of the college are from Hickory.

Harris and Bracken both played on Frank Hodges' famous high school team and both made the high school All-State teams in 1948. Further, during both of the latter's Junior College career they played the pivot spot on the team.

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the present college curriculum which will place greater emphasis on practical training. "A liberal arts degree is not enough, we must tie the subject matter and learning to life purposes and vocations," Dr. Jones said. In line with this plan the college is embarking on a new program in the ministry and in training for world citizenship.

According to President Jones, we must serve in the following ways to adjust to current requirements: (1) Re-think and re-articulate our goals; (2) Unify faculty and student understanding and support of these ideals; (3) Embody their spirit and content in a revised curriculum; (4) Be more flexible in practical matters of size and in laboratory and field work; and (5) Experiment to improve educational methods by means of projects and community contacts.

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## B.S.U. Banquet To Be Held April 19

The B. S. U. Banquet will be held the night of April 19 at the Baptist Church.

The theme for the banquet will be Hawaii. An appropriate menu has been planned. Decorations, place cards and programs will carry out the theme. Several out of town guests have been invited. Tickets will be sold at the B.S.U. office and by members of the B. S. U. Council.

Miss Norma Jean John will be the speaker at the banquet. Miss John, sponsored by Baptist students, spent a summer in Hawaii. She was formerly from Missouri and graduated from Blue Mountain College. At the present time she is student secretary at Jones County Junior College, Ellisville, Miss.

Miss Gladys Bryant, B.S.U. secretary at East Central said, "Miss John has done outstanding work in B.S.U. She is recognized in Mississippi as being tops in her field. We are looking forward to her address."

## Here And There Among Colleges

Latest issue of the "Acka-Tech" from Russellville, Ark. in honor of the 18th Annual Engineers' Day was published by the Engineers Club under the editorship of Vance Davidson instead of the regular editor, Tom Wilson.

Native and resident composers of Monroe were represented in an open program by the Musical Colerle March 16 at Northeast Louisiana State College. With the exception of two compositions, all were written by persons associated with the college.

In an editorial in the "College Crier," an opinion was expressed concerning a recent controversy which arose in Baltimore over whether Dr. Owen Lattimore, Director of the Walter Hines Page School of International Relations at John Hopkins University, and an authority on Far Eastern affairs and problems, should be allowed to speak to public high-school students because he was an accused communist.

After much discussion Dr. Lattimore was allowed to speak. In the writer's opinion, to have prevented Dr. Lattimore from speaking would have made Baltimore the laughing stock of the world and would have played right into the Communist' hands.

Enid, Okla.—Phillips University reports that it now has the distinction of being the only school in this state operating on the Honor System. The plan was worked up by the Student Council Honor Committee, made up of half faculty and half students, representing all clubs, classes and departments of the university.

Faculty and students are under obligation to follow the rules stated in the code of Ethics, and the following seven points of the Bill of Responsibilities: (1) To become informed of aims, tradi-

tions, facilities, and regulations of the university; (2) To protect property of the university and of others; (3) To promote the educational process with good classroom manners and interest in studies; (4) To take exams according to rules—without giving or receiving aid; (5) To take action, upon knowledge of unfair behavior; (6) To promote student opinion in favor of honesty; and (7) To recognize that grades are secondary to obtaining an education.

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## Tom-Tom Banquet To Be April 13 In Palm Room

The Palm Room of Newton, will be the scene for the annual banquet of the Tom Tom Staff, its guests and Sponsors, Friday night, April 13, at seven o'clock.

The program will carry out the theme "Tom-Tom's Top Talent Jamboree," planned to present on parade talent hitherto undisplayed through the regular columns of the paper as well as to give public recognition to the best talent paraded during the year through the semi-monthly issues. The various numbers will be presented by the staff members, with two of the special guests, Dr. Todd, and Mr. W. A. Walker Jr., participating.

Students serving on committees of preparation were: Program, Walterine Herrington, Lamar Weems, Sara Craft, Charles Rigler, Nancy Dell Herrington and Janiece Smith. Decoration: Joella Chipley, Edna Hollingsworth, Elizabeth Buntyn, Grady Edwards, Nell Myatt, Murray Allen, Eva Nell Boggan and Margaret McKinney.

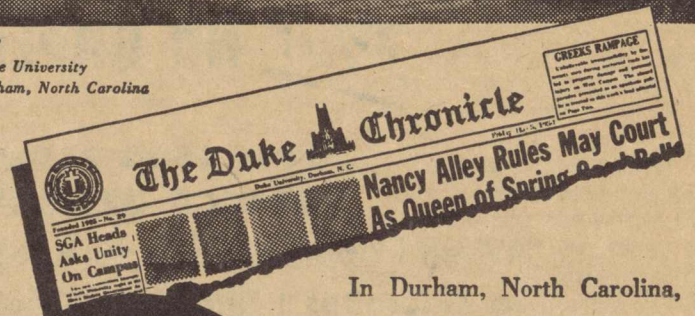
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## THESPIANS HONORED

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## Oddity Astounds East Centralers!

Almost everyone has heard about the two headed, or rather two-faced calf head in the Biology Department, but few know much about it. Being a rather curious person, I investigated this phenomenon to find out the facts concerning it. Knowing that you too are interested, I'll pass these facts on to you.

The calf, a female Jersey, was owned by Mr. S. R. Allgood of Conehatta. She was born on Friday, March 30. The amazing thing about her was that she had two mouths, two noses, only two ears, but four eyes, two of which were in the same socket in the middle of her forehead. She drank milk from a baby's bottle from either of her mouths. Besides her unusual head, she seemed normal in every other way except for a back injury which prevented her from standing. However, she lived only until Monday afternoon. Her owner thought she died of pneumonia.

Tuesday morning Rudolph Mayes brought the head to the Biology Department to be mounted as a museum specimen. Mr. Leatherwood has begun dissection of the head and has found many interesting things about it. He found that though there were two mouths, there was just one throat. She had a forked tongue coming



BOVINE PHENOMENON

from the throat, one-half branching into each mouth. The brain proved interesting in that the front part was really two brains joined together at the back part to a single cerebellum and spinal cord. The eye in the center of the forehead was two eyeballs grown together with separate nerves going to each half of the front part of the brain.

Since this oddity has attracted so much attention, Mr. Leatherwood is going to present a paper on it at the Mississippi Academy of Science Inc., to be held at Delta State Teachers College on April 27-28.

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### Voice-Piano Recital . .

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series of numbers by the Glee Club. The Glee Club will be followed by the Piano and Voice

students. Students participating from the Voice Department are: Eva Nell Boggan, Barbara Husbands, Elizabeth Nestor, Patsy Johnson, Sue Franklin, Jackie Young, Martha Milling, Sylvia Graham. Piano students in the recital are: Richard Mayo, Betty Mayo, June Addikson, Nancy Walton, James Breland, Martha Milling, Walterine, Moore and Elaine Spence.

### Homemaker Students Instigate Projects For Department

Home Economics students have inaugurated a series of projects both for the progress of the department and in the nature of community cooperation.

Thursday night, April 12, in the Little Auditorium at East Central, the Woman's Progressive Club of Decatur will present a style show on the utilization of cotton. Cotton dresses for different occasions in the spring and summer will be modeled. In order to make the show a community affair, the home economics girls and the Decatur Garden Club members have been invited by the sponsoring club to participate in what bids fair to be an interesting program.

Home Economics students will present a chapel program, April 17, on good manners. Scenes taken from actions on the campus will be pantomimed both in the

way they were done and in the way they should have been done.

The sophomore foods class in the college division is improving their working conditions in the foods lab. In order to get better ideas for improving the facilities, they visited Scooba's new home economics department. While there they were entertained by the tenth grade who served refreshments.

Those who visited Scooba were Mrs. Annie Clyburn, the home economics instructor at East Central, Sue Johnson, Barbara Nicholson, Rosemary Johnson, Margaret McKinney, Macie Massey, and Mary Ann Scoggins.

### Three Gay Comedies For Price Of One!

Is it possible to have an opportunity to see three exciting comedies just full of laughs for the price of one? The F.T.A. is making this unusual offer possible by presenting three one act comedies April 20, in the Little Auditorium.

Do all girls need a psychiatrist at the age of sixteen? That is, are all girls boy crazy at that age? This is the theme for discussion in "No More Boys" as Mr. Jones, Cary Livingston, employs a psychiatrist to psychoanalyze his daughter, Delia. What should happen when James Bradford, college boy studying to be a psychiatrist begins to study a sixteen

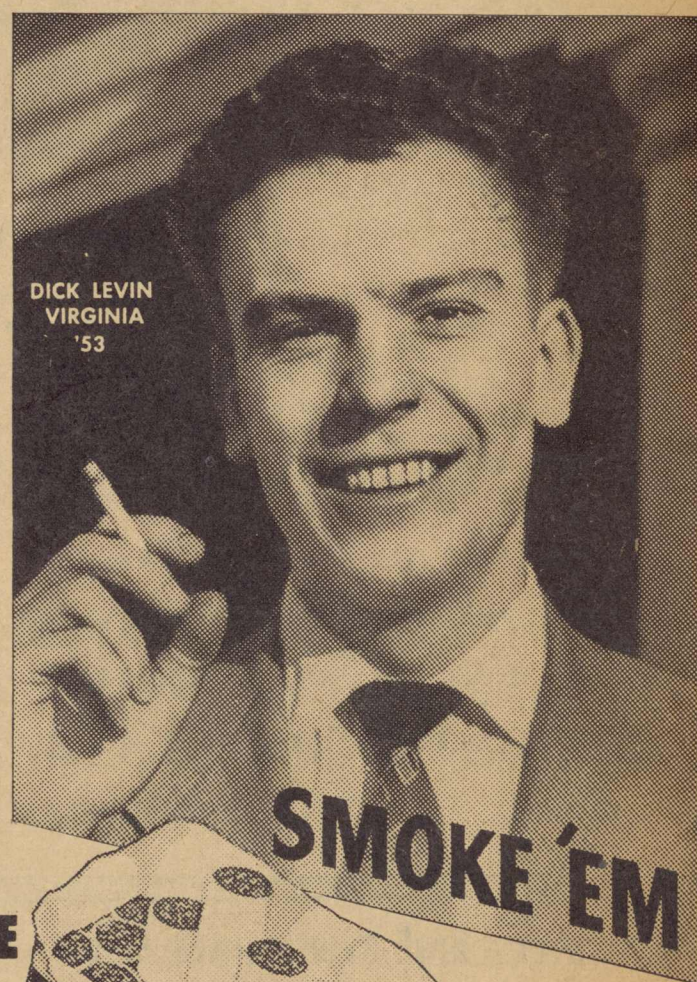
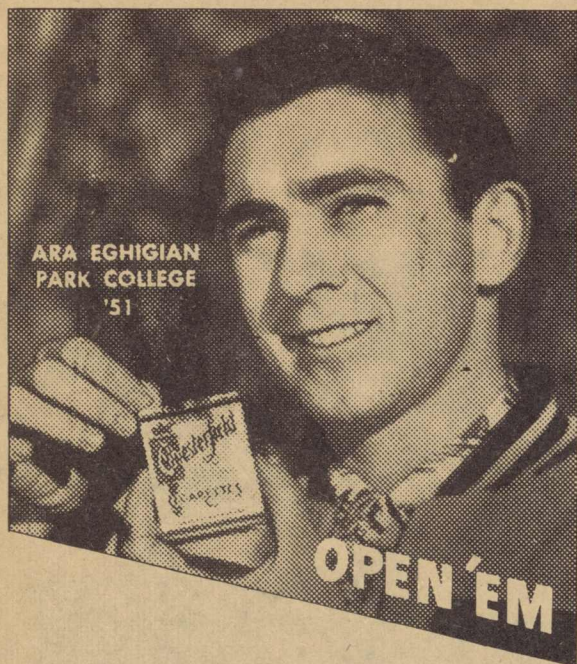
year old "boy-crazy" girl, Ella Mae Loper? This is only one of the three plays for the evening.

What would be the results if, by chance, Mrs. Bouncer rents the same apartment to both Mr. Box and Mr. Cox? It doesn't take long for Mr. Cox to discover that someone stays in his room during the day while he works for the hatting company and at the same time Mr. Box realizes that someone comes to his room each night while he is away. What will Mrs. Bouncer do in a situation like this? You will have to discover for yourself by seeing William Pogue, James Cardwell, and Maurice Smith present a comedy of real life, "Box and Cox".

"Uncle Bob's Bride" will be the last of the three plays. Uncle Bob's three nieces Adelle Russell, Bernice Dempsey and Louise Dixon are just fresh from boarding school and simply bored with country life. Like a thunderbolt comes a telegram from Uncle Bob, a confirmed old bachelor announcing his marriage! The girls, with the help of their Aunt Eldora, Joella Chipley, immediately declare war. What will happen when Uncle Bob, Bobby Caldwell, and his bride, Edna Hollingsworth, arrive?

For a night of plenty of laughs, entertainment and an intermission from your research themes see the F. T. A. members present "No More Boys," "Box and Cox" and "Uncle Bob's Bride."

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## Student Council Of East Central, In Process Of Being Established

Definite plans have been made and are being put into operation for the formation of a Student Council of East Central to correspond very closely with student government. The go-ahead has been given by the administration and the Student Activities Committee has taken up the project of setting up the organization.

No definite plan for the organization and constitution has been formulated, but a committee appointed by Joella Chipley, President of S. A. C., has begun compiling a list of possible purposes, functions, and rules from which the constitution will take form.

The members of this committee: Peggy Harrel, Shirley Hardy, Ann Graham, Joella Chipley, Sara Williams, Frances Cook and Lamar Weems will act merely in a suggestive capacity and are formulating basic ideas which will serve as a starting point for discussions by the larger official planning committee which will meet later.

The establishment of a student organization to take charge of student elections and social functions, and to perform many other important duties has been considered for several years by the administration. An editorial in the Tom-Tom precipitated action in the matter and prompted a letter to the Editor in which Dr. L. O. Todd stated that an effort by any group to establish such a student organization would be welcomed. In response to the statement in the editorial that "Some club has only to start the ball rolling to put student government within the realm of possibility," the Student Activities Committee has assumed the responsibility of "starting the ball rolling."

After the present committee has listed a number of possible rules, purposes, and plans, a committee of club presidents will meet to draw up a constitution. This constitution will then be submitted to the student body for its approval or disapproval.

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## Tom-Tom Delegates To Attend Meeting At Southwest

Delegates from the Tom-Tom Staff will attend the Spring Convention of the Mississippi Junior College Press Association which will be held April 27-28 on the campus of Southwest Mississippi Junior College, Summit, Miss.

The local representatives chosen by the staff are Lamar Weems, editor; Nancy Dell Herrington, associate editor; Walterine Herrington, Editor elect; and Murray Allen, an associate editor for next year, with Sara Warner Craft an associated editor for next year as alternate. Miss Una Harris will go as sponsor of the paper.

The theme of the program will be "Press for Freedom—Freedom for Press." The featured speaker will be Mary Dawson Cain, Mississippi's first lady of the press. The judges for the best paper of the year will be Conrad Smith, editor of the Hullabaloo at Tulane; W. F. Minor of the Times Picayune Staff; and Frank James Price, L. S. U. Journalism Professor.

The extras on the program will be Glen Jones, the editor of the Student Printz at Southern and Betty Boyles, editor of The Spectator from M.S.C.W. in "College Press for Freedom." The program will be rounded out with a formal tea, formal banquet, and a formal dance for the enjoyment of the delegates.

## Women Students Elect Officers

The officers of the Women Students' Organization for the 1951-52 winter term were elected following chapel on Tuesday, April 14.

Ruthine Ferguson was unanimously elected president for the summer session. Ruthine, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ferguson of Arlington community, was a popular student in high school, being secretary of her class for three consecutive years. At East Central she is enrolled in the Home Economic Curriculum and is a member of the Home Economics Club, Drama Club, and Y. M. and Y. W. Ruthine, who attended East Central last summer says of her election, "I feel it a great honor to have been elected president of the Women Students' Organization for the summer session and I will try to do my best to carry out my duties."

Barbara Husbands will be president for the winter term. In high school Barbara, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Husbands of Jackson, Mississippi, was an outstanding student. She served on the Student Council at Central High for two years, was a member of the Pegasus Staff and was President of her Home Room.

Barbara is enrolled in the Liberal Arts Curriculum at East Central and is active in extracurricular activities, being a reporter on the Tom-Tom Staff, a member of the Drama Club, Glee Club and BSU Council. She has done work in Women Students' Organization as Wing Chairman for a nine-week's term.

Concerning her election, Barbara says, "I have never been more honored or felt a keener sense of responsibility. I'll do the best I can to carry out what the girls want for the coming year."

Other summer officers elected were First Vice-President, Kay Thompson; Second Vice-President, Louise Rives; Third Vice-President, Carolyn Fulton; Secretary, Marlene Sigrest; Treasurer, Elinor Wood.

Additional officers for the winter term will be: First Vice-President, Barbara Bridges; Second Vice-President, Jane Johnson; Third Vice-President, Sara Craft; Fourth Vice-President, Patsy Cleveland; Secretary, Freda Gardner; Treasurer, Edna Hollingsworth.

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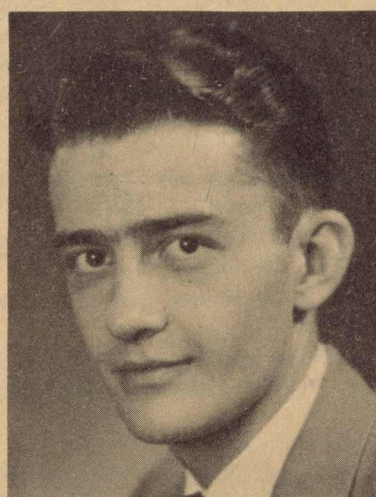
## Unknown Talent, Revealed In Plays Given By F.T.A.

Three one-act plays were presented by members of the F.T.A. Friday night, April 20, under the direction of Mrs. Janie Sullivan.

According to audience reaction, there has been undiscovered talent on our campus, which was clearly revealed to the world Friday Night as many of the F. T. A. members made their first appearance before the spotlight of the East Central stage. William Pogue and James Cardwell in their respective roles of Box and Cox received their share of audience attention.

Jackie Ethridge, with the help of his comic books, kept the spectators alive with his antics.

## Noted Educators Participate In Evaluation Of East Central Jr. College



MR. WILLIAM T. HAYWOOD

### William T. Haywood Assumes Position As Business Maager

Mr. William T. Haywood Jr. has been selected as the new business manager to replace Charles Carter, who resigned to enter the Armed Forces.

Mr. Haywood is a native of Jackson, Mississippi. He is a veteran, having served two years in the United States Navy.

After his discharge from the Navy he entered school at the University of Mississippi. In January of this year he received his degree from the University.

Since graduation and up until the time he was employed by East Central Junior College, Mr. Haywood worked for the United Gas Pipeline Company of Jackson.

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## Frederick Balazs Makes Smash Hit At East Central

Frederick Balazs, violinist and Ann Balazs, pianist and accompanist, were presented at East Central April 11.

The Balazs live in Texas, with their small son Stephen. Throughout the program a picture of Stephen, enclosed in a small silver frame, was resting on the piano. Frederic Balazs was a corporal in the U. S. Army several years ago when he visited East Central. He has conducted the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, but in his own words: "Stephen is my greatest accomplishment."

The program opened with "Ruralis Hungarica" by Dohnange. Mr. Balazs' second group selections were "Adagio" and "Presto" by Bach. Mr. Balazs told the audience two interesting facts about Bach in order that they might understand his music better. The first fact was that Bach (Continued On Page Four)

Clara Ann Hardy, as a maid, and Joella Chipley, as the old aunt, brought roars of laughter from the audience, as did Carey Livingston and his perpetual worrying about his flirtatious wife and daughters.

Bobby Caldwell was equally successful as he calmly interpreted the characterization of the old uncle while the nieces were in a state of severe shock as the result of mistaking the interior decorator for their uncle's bride. Edna Hollingsworth brought the play to a dramatic climax as she made her entrance as Uncle Bob's bride.

## Dr. J. W. Reynolds, Chief Consultant

The personnel chief consultant who make up the evaluation committee visiting on the campus of East Central this week include twenty-five leading educators from Mississippi and other parts of the South.

The overall directors consist of Dr. J. W. Reynolds, who is professor of education at the University of Texas and editor of the Junior College Journal, as chief consultant, and Mr. S. A. Brasfield, director of instruction in the State Department of Education, as co-ordinator.

The other members of the committee with the partial assignments as of April 20 are as follows.

The committees in the general group and their personnel are: Pupil Population and School Community—Needs of Youth—Dr. D. W. Aiken, State College, Mississippi; Pupil Activity Program—Mr. J. B. Pearson, Meridian Junior College, Meridian, Mississippi; Library Service—Miss Annabelle Koonce, State Department of Education, Jackson; Mrs. Gertrude Rouzee, Hinds Jr. College, Raymond, Miss.; Guidance Service—Miss Eleanor Zeis State Department of Education; Jackson and Superintendent Elzie Hinz Louisville.

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Completing this group are: Music—Mr. W. S. Haynie, State Department of Education, Jackson; Science—Mr. J. B. Pearson, Meridian Junior College, Meridian, and Mr. B. L. Fell, State Department of Education, Jackson; Social Studies—Dr. Jack Allen, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., and Mr. R. E. Hinz, Louisville.

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Of our 33 Presidents none was born in the month of June.



COACH ARNO VINCENT

## W. Arno Vincent Resigns Position

W. A. Vincent has offered his resignation to become effective sometime during the summer. Mr. Vincent is at present Registrar, Dean of Men, and Coach of men's basketball at East Central.

He has accepted a position as teacher in Meridian Junior College and basketball coach in Meridian High School. "I will really be returning home," states Vincent. His home is in Lauderdale County.

Coach Vincent came to East Central as a teacher in January of 1947. He has coached the basketball team for four years and he coached football two of his years at Decatur.

Dr. L. O. Todd states, "Vincent has made an outstanding contribution to the college and we regret very much to see him leave."

Besides being an outstanding athletic coach, Vincent was an outstanding athlete in his college days.

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### "A Stitch In Time . . ."

Four weeks from today we shall be toiling over our final examinations. I wonder just how many of us have stopped and really taken time to consider all the varied activities—parties, banquets, picnics, etc., which must be crowded into those four weeks—the same hectic weeks in which we must finish our term themes, literature reports, and botany collections.

And it might be well to remember that those examinations will also require some preparation on our part. Of course, we will be held responsible only for the knowledge which we have accumulated already. However, for most of us, a slight refreshing of our memory will probably be required if we are to excel. It is quite pathetic for a student who has consistently maintained a high average during the semester to become so entangled in social activities and term themes that there is simply no time left for a systematic review of his notes and textbooks. Consequently, in spite of his six weeks grades, his final grade is significantly lowered by lack of preparation for this ultimate testing of his knowledge.

Therefore, don't you think we should devise some type of schedule by which we may give first place to the things which occupy the more important place in our ambitions. Social achievements or academic achievements? It is quite obvious that many of us will be forced to make a choice. Let's do it now, while there's still time to profit from it.

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### Yes, East Central Should Be Advertised . . .

Decatur, Mississippi—Home of East Central Junior College—Wouldn't that look good on a big sign down near the highway for everyone who passed to see? Other information with an arrow pointing in the direction of the College would aid and impress visitors to our school and town.

Yes, we believe East Central needs to be advertised. We, the students in the college are proud of our school and proud of its location. We believe that the townspeople of Decatur share this pride with us, also, so let's let it be known.

Such a sign could be easily and inexpensively constructed; yet it would mean much to East Central and Decatur, for it would put the school and the town on the minds of all who came our way!

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### Baseball Struck Out!!

Baseball at East Central is no more. It has died the death of a lack of interest both on the part of the players and of the fans. It's really too bad that the sport has been discontinued. Baseball is a wonderful sport and affords a type of excitement and drama not found in basketball or football, but for a number of reasons, it's not surprising that it has faded from the sports scene at East Central.

In the first place baseball at any college is placed under a seasonal handicap. The real baseball season is just getting under way when the spring semester in most schools is closing. A great number of activities, social and otherwise, take place in the spring and detract from the enthusiasm for sports.

The withdrawal of a great number of boys from school following the first semester left barely enough athletes interested in baseball to constitute a team. The team that was assembled was a pretty good one, but the lack of competition for starting berths resulted in a lag of interest.

Baseball at East Central also had to bear the handicap endured by tennis, the handicap of a lack of proper facilities. Playing baseball meant to the player furnishing a great deal of his own equipment which in turn involved personal expense. Aside from the financial handicap, the failure of the school to take enough interest to provide equipment dealt a blow to team morale.

Yes, baseball, before considered one of our major sports, is "out" for this year, and it is not surprising. It was rather to be expected.

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### Let's Develop Our Best "Weapon"!

It seems that in reading the daily newspapers and in seeing all the disturbing and unnerving aspects of the Korean War and the world situation, there is almost visualized the unprinted words, "This world is certainly in a mess. The United States seems to be losing sight of the meaning of democracy herself. Something needs to be done and something must be done quickly." Although these words haven't actually been in print, they are, nevertheless, in the

hearts and minds of all people of the United States who are at all concerned about the conditions of the world.

With all these dark and gloomy thoughts, however, there is some ray of light, for, as Alfred Lord Tennyson said, "Tis not too late to seek a new world." Anyone who wants anything badly enough to fight with everything in him will be able to attain his goal, so it has been proved time and again. The question is, "Do we want to keep our freedom—are we willing to strive, honestly and unflinchingly, for our ideals of democracy? The answer to this question is left up to us. What are we, you and I, going to do?"

In this critical period more than mere courage and stamina is needed by the people of our country. Vision and leadership, as well, are essential, absolutely essential.

For the development of vision and leadership the schools of our land are the predominating agents. It is through the schools and by education that the citizenry of our country will be prepared to meet the challenges of tomorrow. The very nature of the task before us demands that we be educated. This war is to be fought primarily with brains.

Each of us has a responsibility to our country as well as to ourselves in this matter of education. It has been accepted for many years that an education made a person better able to meet the situations of the world. Now, it has been evidenced lately that we, the people making up a nation, need to be educated so that we might help "our world" to meet the trying situations of the world.

With the above thought in mind, it can be clearly seen that we, who are now here in school, should try to get as much as possible out of our schooling. We must make every effort and strive toward the goal of being the type of individual that might be of benefit to our country. Democracy can not survive unless the people are educated to an understanding of what our American way of life is, how to strengthen it and protect it when necessary. Uneducated people are those who fall for every bit of propaganda put out and who are so easily swayed by a little persuasion. They are the ones who do not understand the fundamental issues at stake. To repeat this task of saving democracy will take brains, and each of us individually will be responsible for the ultimate outcome.

So we, here in school, who are a part of the makeup of America, MUST make every effort to educate ourselves so that we might meet the challenge before us.

If we are not ready to meet this task, with every ounce of wit we possess, in the years to come, there may not be any liberty, there may not be any opportunity such as America offers today, and possibly there may be no posterity!

With brains, the best weapon that America has, it behooves each of us individually to work to develop that weapon so that kind of government of which Lincoln spoke "shall not perish from the earth."

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### Campus Christianity

By LOUISE WARE

"But the path of the Just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." (Proverbs 4:18). We may all walk on the same street or travel the same road but each of us leave a different path behind us. Though this path be different from all the rest, it is not hidden from the world; it is open for everyone to look at and examine.

Perhaps the poet, Longfellow, was thinking along this line when he wrote about leaving footprints on the sands of time. What kind of footprints are you leaving.

Are they clean, pure, Christ-like footprints, or are they sinful footprints of impurity and dishonesty? We are all familiar with the story of Jesus and the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well. Because Jesus traveled this route through Samaria by Jacob's well, hundreds of souls were saved.

Had he been hostile and indifferent as other people were concerning the Samaritans, these people would have been lost to destruction. Jesus left the kind of footprints at Jacob's well that he would have us leave all along our path.

The kind that gives light to a stumbling brother or help to a sinking soul. The footprints that lead to the harvest fields, carrying the word of God, or that lead a stray one back to the fold are the kind that the Christ is looking for today.

Can he find mine and yours there? We should all take time out to look behind us to see what kind of footprints we are leaving on the sands of time. Are they what we would have our children follow years later, or our friends look on when we are gone?

If they aren't, then we should seek the guidance of our Lord to know where he would have us go and the task he would have us do.

May we tread our path of life so that when people look upon it, they can say that those footprints lead to Christ.

### Roving Reporter on Evaluation

For the past week's evaluation has been the theme of the hour. In the light of this subject we talked to several East Centralers about their evaluation of their own school.

The first person I talked to on this subject was Adele Russell. Adele said, "The school has made many improvements during the two years that I have been here, but there is still room for many more and I believe with both students and teachers working together, much can be accomplished in the future."

Virginia Reagan commented, "In my estimation East Central is one of the best Junior Colleges in the State. A well-rounded program, including both curricula and extra-curricula activities, is offered to the students which all contribute toward character building and personality development."

"A fine school," says Grady Edwards, "it offers almost any Curriculum that a student would be interested in."

Seeing Jacqueline Adkins next, I asked her her evaluation of the school. After a minute of thought she says, "The new additions that have been added to the school make it very attractive and the wide variety of activities in which one may participate add much to the student's enjoyment of school life. These with the many other features of E.C.J.C. make it a wonderful place!"

Lamar Algood who is in the business department feels that ECJC offers just as much to the students as any other school. He says, "I believe that if each student will avail himself of the opportunities, he will achieve a lot."

In Elizabeth Buntyn's estimation the wide variety of courses is East Central's greatest asset.

Carolyn Fulton comments on the ideal location of the school. She feels that being located in the center of the district, it is more

### In My Opinion

By SARA CRAFT

As I sat listlessly gazing out the window trying to think of something to pass on to you readers, I suddenly realized that it was Tuesday afternoon, the deadline for having my articles in, and there I sat, paper and pencil before me, but no thoughts, no inspiration. The deadline was here.

A thought suddenly came to me—deadline—what a little word but what a significant one, what a profound meaning it has, and how vitally it affects everyone, even us students here at East Central.

As my mind wandered along this line with a deadline to meet myself, I thought, "Why, I'm not the only one has to meet a deadline." Everyone is faced with deadlines, whether large or small. Today in this fast moving world, we don't seem to realize the importance of deadlines, especially the small ones we have to meet, but in the future, many deadlines loom before us. Will we be ready to meet them?

One deadline that is facing everyone now is examinations in six more weeks. Looking back, I wonder if we have prepared ourselves adequately enough to be able to meet this deadline. To Sophomores it might be the determining factor as to whether or not they will graduate, and to Freshmen it will be a stepping stone toward their future graduation. A challenge to all of us, is to study more and be ready when the deadline comes.

This is just one deadline that we are faced with now, but when we take our places in the world, becoming just one face in a sea of faces, we will have numerous deadlines to meet—important ones that merit our utmost attention. How will we meet them? That is an individual problem, one that each of us will have to solve for ourselves. This can be made easier by cultivating the habit now. Don't be a procrastinator; don't shun responsibilities; don't overlook obligations, but form good qualities that will enable you to meet the deadlines, whenever and wherever they appear.

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### Frosh-Soph Banquet Planned For April 30

Plans have been made and preparations have begun for the annual Freshman - Sophomore Banquet to be held Monday night, April 30, in the cafeteria.

The following committees have been appointed to have charge: Program Committee—Jan Weems, Chairman; Walterine Herrington, Jerry Williamson and Sara Craft. Arrangements Committee—Pat-sy Cleveland, Chairman, Pat (Browning), Decoration Committee—Betty Payne, Chairman, Freda Gardener, Murray Allen, Connie Smith, Jacqueline Adkins, Albert Williamson and Charles McMullan.

easily available to everyone. Also she says, "The student center had aided much in my high rating of the school."

"I think it is the very best school in the state!" says Louise Rives. As an afterthought she says, "Surely everyone thinks so."

Donald Marshall when asked his opinion said, "I think it is a fine school with many high standards. To me one of its greatest assets is the fact that jobs are available to students to help finance their expenses. Also it is so conveniently accessible to all five counties."

By this student poll, one can readily see what the students themselves think of their school, and what a high rating is given it by them.



## Social Highlights

Miss Olive Doyle spent Friday night in the dormitory with Ellen Stokes, Maurice Smith, and Edwina Breazeale.

Miss Hila Burkes visited her sister Glenda in the dormitory last Saturday night.

Miss Janice McKinney was the week end guest of her sister, Margaret on the campus recently.

Miss Carolyn Fulton and Betty Ann Peoples were guests of Freda Gardner last Sunday.

Ralph Hurley visited Geneva Daniels on the campus Saturday.

Miss Jane Johnson spent Tuesday night with Eva Boggan at Hickory and together they attended the graduation exercises there.

Miss Sara Aycock had Sunday dinner with Mrs. W. A. Coursey of Decatur, April 15.

Miss Barbara Wright was a guest of Charlotte Bracken last week end.

Miss Barbara Husbands was recently a week end guest in the home of Frances Cook.

Miss Jan Weems visited in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Campbell of Jackson last week end.

Misses Ellen Stokes and Maurice Smith spent the week end in Meridian with Mrs. Hubert S. Langford and Mrs. T. C. Denmark.

Pvt. Larue Viverette and Cpl. Larry Cooper visited freinds on the campus last Saturday.

Miss Betty Haford visited her sister, Mrs. Don Dorsett of Jackson last week end.

Miss Sarah Blass of M.S.C.W., a former East Central student, was a visitor on the campus last Thursday.

### Elizabeth Buntyn To Be Wed In June To James Galloway

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Buntyn of Union have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth, to James Galloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Galloway of Union. The wedding will be solemnized June 9 in the First Presbyterian Church of Union.

Miss Buntyn is at the present a student at East Central and Mr. Galloway is employed in Memphis, Tenn., where the young couple plan to make their home.

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### Wells-Bracken, Unite In Marriage

Miss Charlotte Wells was married to Cpl. Denver Bracken April 7 in the home of Rev. J. W. Cook, the officiating minister.

Mrs. Bracken is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Wells of Union and is at the present a sophomore at East Central.

Cpl. Bracken is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bracken of Hickory and was enrolled at ECJC until he was called to duty with the National Guard Unit. He is now serving at Fort Jackson, S. C.

At the close of the school year the bride plans to join her husband in South Carolina.

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### Ware Engagement To James Rawson Is Made Public

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ware of Harpersville are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Louise, to James Willis Rawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Raw-

### Jan Laverge Weems James C. Campbell To Exchange Vows

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Weems of Forest announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jan Laverge, to James C. Campbell, son of Rev. and Mrs. James F. Campbell of Jackson.

The wedding vows will be said in the Forest Methodist church in late May with the father of the bridegroom elect officiating.

Miss Weems is a student at East Central while Mr. Campbell is a senior at Millsaps.

The couple plan to make their home at Atlanta, Georgia where Mr. Campbell will continue his studies at Emory University.

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### 'Activities' Committee Sponsor Dance-Party Honoring C. A. Carter

Saturday night a farewell party was given by the Student Activities Committee for Charles A. Carter, who has resigned his position as business manager to take up active duty in the army.

Members of the student body and the faculty with their guests were entertained with social dancing to the music of a phonograph and refreshments served by the S.A.C. members.

son of Dossville. The vows will be exchanged in a late summer wedding.

Miss Ware is a sophomore at ECJC. Mr. Rawson is a graduate of East Central and is now attending Mississippi State College.

After the wedding the couple plan to make their home at Mississippi State where Mr. Rawson will continue his studies.

### Faculty Facts And Falderal

Mr. R. C. Roberts and Mr. G. L. Palmer served on the evaluative criteria committee at Ellisville the past week.

Mrs. Janie Sullivan visited in the home of her son, Mr. Walter Huff, at Collins Sunday.

Mr. T. R. McCann attended a special session of the MEA April 7. He spent Saturday night in Meridian and attended the Pilgrimage at Columbus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Vincent had as guests Friday and Saturday of last week, Mr. Vincent's brother, Mr. Melbourne Vincent.

Miss Virginia Melvin spent the week end with her parents in Laurel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Terrell went to Meridian Saturday of last week.

Miss Helen Sparks attended the wedding of her cousin, Miss Maxine Kern to Mr. James Dorman in the home of the bride's parents in Hillsboro last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cross have had as recent guests Mrs. Cross's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Neill of Philadelphia. Mrs. Neill has been spending a few days with her daughter and visiting her sister-in-law who is in the hospital at Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Vincent visited with General Wilson in Meridian Sunday. General Wilson is the former coach and dean of men at East Central.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Keahey had as recent guests Cpl. and Mrs. Wallace Bourgeois of Ft. Knox, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Abe Keahey of West Enterprise and Mr. W. P. Keahey of Pachuta.

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### Hawaiian Banquet Enjoyed by BSU'ers

Members of the BSU were entertained at a banquet on April 19 at the Decatur Baptist Church, with Miss Norma Jean John as guest speaker.

The theme of the banquet was "Echoes of Hawaii." Each person received a bright colored lei as he passed into the room. The tables were decorated with fruit and flower centerpieces. The programs were cut into the shape of pineapples, and the place cards were figures of Hawaiian boys and girls.

Miss Johns spoke of "My Heart's Desire," in which she recalled some of her memories from the Hawaiian trip she took. She told of the Buddhist worshippers and the staunch Christians who lived on the islands, and presented a challenge to the young people to take Christ to Hawaii.

Sara Aycock acted as mistress of ceremonies, keeping the group entertained by well-chosen jokes at the expense of various people who were there. James Breland and Martha Milling provided piano music. Mr. and Mrs. Terrell sang an Hawaiian folk song, and Rev. Cook and Mr. Palmer sang "The More We Get Together."

Two Hawaiian costumes were designed from pins and paper in a contest between Jim Howard, a local student, and a guest from Clarke College. The contest was followed by a song "Jesus Calls Us" by Martha Milling, Barbara Husbands and Nancy Walton.

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The Cullinan diamond was cut into nine large diamonds, the largest weighing 316 carats.

The first Nobel Prize for literature won in the U.S. was awarded to Sinclair Lewis in 1930.

### Soph Class Party To Be Held April 28 At Roosevelt Park

Sophomores are going to have their annual class party at Roosevelt State Park just outside Morton, April 28.

They will leave about one o'clock in the afternoon and stay until a little after supper. Recreation will be in the form of games, dancing and just having a lot of fun.

Guests may be invited, but those who invite them will have to pay one dollar each for their guests.

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### 'Activities' Committee Enjoy Gala Affair

Tuesday afternoon, April 17, the ECJC bus loaded with Student Activity Committee members, their guests and sponsors sped to Roosevelt Lake, Morton, Miss., for a picnic.

The energetic group arrived at the lake at four-forty-five and prepared the meal of barbecued chicken, green salad, French fried potatoes, cake, peaches and punch.

The evening was made complete with recreation after the meal was finished. Aerial tennis, fishing, canasta, and dancing furnished fun for everyone.

Those who attended this gala affair were: Mrs. Grace Gardner, Mr. Frank Leach, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Vincent, Mr. Thomas McCann, Mrs. L. O. Todd, Joella Chipley, Eugene Adyette, Sara Williams, Lamar Weems, Joan Meador, Johnny Jones, Bonnie Morrow, Bobbie Shaw, Janiece Smith, Peggy Harrell, Horace McCown, Freda Gardner, Philip Hutton, Sara Aycock, James Breland, Shirley Hardy, Charles Carter, Barbara Husbands, Caster Elliott, Ella Mae Loper, Rudolph Mayes, Jane Todd, Cecil Murray, Betty Payne, Jackie Ethridge, Billie Wright, Bobbie Caldwell, Sue Franklin, Connie Smith and Jack Taylor.

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### Two East Central Coeds Represent School At M.S.C.W.

Two East Central coeds participated Friday through Sunday, April 19-22 in a Circus Play Day which was held at MSCW.

The local school was represented by Joan Meador and Marjorie Meton. Miss Ellau took the girls to MSCW Friday afternoon, where they remained until Sunday.

All colleges in Mississippi were invited to participate in the event. The following accepted: University of Mississippi, Millsaps, Gulfport, Delta State and East Central Junior College.

The play day events included

### Tom-Tom Staffers Celebrate Jamboree

The Palm Room of Newton was the scene of the annual Tom-Tom staff banquet with its guests and sponsors, Friday night, April 13.

The theme, "Tom-Tom's Top Talent Jamboree," was carried out throughout the program with each department displaying its talent in song. To arouse the spirit of the crew, everyone joined in singing. "Hail, Hail the Staff's All Here," led by Mrs. Carrie Lee Madden. Afterwards Eva Nell Boggan and Jan Weems sang "Hoopeddoo" and "That Lucky Ole Editor." A toast to the three editors was given by Sarah Craft followed by a response from Nancy Dell Herrington, after which Eva Nell Boggan sang, "Birth Of the Blues."

Lamar Weems, master of ceremony, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. L. O. Todd, who sounded the keynote from the "Karnival Krew" with the crew of course, being the staff. After a merry tune from the typists, Nell Myatt gave a toast to Miss Harris, the "Queen of Discord", followed by a response from the "Queen".

A critic's chant of praise for the choicest Hullabaloo Raisers was given by Mr. W. A. Walker Jr. As the best talent paraded during the year through the semi-monthly issues of the Tom-Tom, Mr. Walker recognized Lamar Weems' article, "Strictly Personal to a Freshman," as the best editorial and "Just Who is Responsible" by Nell Myatt as second. For the best news article, "Walterine Herrington Wins Chemistry Award," by Pat Browning was placed first and "Student Center, Now A Reality," by Nancy Dell Herrington as second. "Outstanding 4-H Club Girl is Student At East Central Junior College," by Walterine Herrington claimed first place as a feature article while "The Score Was Close, But All Took A Beating," by Lamar Weems was placed second.

Lamar Weems introduced the new editorial staff for the coming year 1951-52 and the jamboree was ended with the entire group singing, "We've Been Working on the Tom-Tom."

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activities in softball, tennis, volleyball, swimming, ping pong, badminton and shuffle board. Teams, not always made up of girls from the same school, competed in these activities.

Saturday the visitors were entertained at a lunch given by the school. Saturday afternoon there was a student-faculty volley ball game and Saturday night a banquet was given in honor of the visitors.

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MAY 9 and 10

AN AMERICAN GUERRILLA IN THE PHILIPPINES





Women's Student Government Organization Officers who will serve during Winter Session. Left to right—Patsy Cleveland, Fourth Vice-President; Edna Hollingsworth, Treasurer; Sarah Warner Craft, Third Vice-President; Barbara Husbands, President; Barbara Dean Bridges, First Vice-President; Freda Gardner, Secretary; Jane Johnson, Second Vice-President.

**Frederick Balazs . . .**  
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was an organist, and second, that he was a deeply religious man. The "Devils' Laughter" by Paganini was the second selection. Paganini was an ugly man and had an almost inhuman touch when he played the violin. The story was told that in order to reach a wider distance on the violin strings, he cut the tissues between his fingers; consequently some of his music is almost impossible to play. Following "The Devils' Laughter", "Introduction Et Rando Apricciasso" by Saen Saens, a French selection was played.

Following the intermission Ann

Balazs played "Petrarca Sonnet No. 104" by Lizst and "Fire-Works" by Debussy.

"The Londonery Air", arranged by Kreisler was dedicated by Mr. Balazs to all loyal Scotchmen in the house. Following the "Habenera" by Rand, "The Flight of the Bumble Bee" by Rimsky Karsakov was played. The "Guillarde Waltz" by Donath was followed by "Here Kate," written by Hubay. "Here Kate" is a Hungarian dance written by a violin teacher. Translated literally, "Hejre Kate" would mean something like, "Get Hep, Katy."

When the couple was called back for an encore, Schubert's "Ava Maria" and a Spanish dance

**Marlene Bedwell-Hit In Comedy Tish**

The Senior class of Newton County Agricultural High School presented "Tish" on the nights of April 16 and 17.

The curtain was pulled at 8 o'clock to reveal the combination lunch room and lobby of the Eagle Hotel, located in a remote section of the southwest, near the Mexican border.

The three acts of the play centered around the outlandish activities of Letita Carberry, better known as Tish, who was played by Marlene Bedwell. Her two companions, Lizzie and Aggie, who did not always fit in with her plans were played by Eddie Rae Loper and Patsy Williamson. Ellen Leighton, owner of the Eagle Hotel, played by Mary Frances Eason, and Charlie Sands, Tish's charming young nephew, played by Jerry Harris, provided the love interest for the play. Luther Hopkins, a hard-headed hard-hearted creditor played by Buner Griffin, is trying to put Ellen Leighton out of business. Callie Hopkins, a friend of Ellen's and Luther's daughter, played by Shirley Cardwell, tries to help Ellen out of her difficulty. The money saved to pay off the debt for the hotel was stolen by Denby Grimes, posing as a moving picture director, played by Johnnie Graham, and Dorice Gaylord, a movie Actress, played by Sammie Jean Harbourn.

Tish's attempt to conceal the fact that the money is stolen results in a near disaster, but Tish, a capable woman, can always take care of matters. Not only does she straighten the debt, but reveals the fact that Mr. Hopkins is a crook. Tish succeeds also in straightening-out two young writers who have quarreled, Bettina Trent, played by Clara Hollingsworth and Wesley Andrews, played by Gerald Cook.

Sheriff Leon Pike, a sheriff who has romantic tendencies, was played by Edward Gordon. Between Sheriff Pike and Tish, aided by Lizzie and Aggie, the play provides many chuckles and much hearty laughter. Charita, Ellen's Mexican maid, played by Quen Duffey, was always on hand to say her line, "Ugh!"

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**Officers Are Elected For F.T.A. Group; Marshall Is Prexy**

FTA officers for 1951-52 were elected in the regular meeting Thursday, April 19. Donald Marshall was elected president, Casey Livingston, vice-president; Edna Hollingsworth, secretary; Gwendolyn Pilgrim, treasurer and Catherine Williams, librarian.

New officers were nominated by the nominating committee, Bill Scott, Clara Annie Hardy, Ella Mae Loper, Adele Russell and Peggy Hunt.

These officers will be installed at the next regular meeting. Officers for this year were James Bradford, president; Edna Hollingsworth, vice president; Rosemary Johnson, secretary; Bobby Caldwell, treasurer, and Ella Mae Loper, librarian.

were played.

After the program Ann and Frederic Balazs were crowded onto the stage by eager autograph seekers. In the course of the program, Mr. Balazs had removed some loose horsehair from his bow and thrown it to the floor. Students rushed onto the stage following the program and looked for the horsehair to keep as a souvenir. Only a few students left the auditorium with the horsehair, but many students left with the autographs of Frederic and Ann Balazs.



Women's Student Government Organization Officers—Summer Session. Left to right—Ruthine Ferguson, President; Kay Thompson, First Vice-President; Marlene Sigrest, Secretary; Elinor Wood, Treasurer; Carolyn Fulton, Third Vice-President; Louise Rives, Second Vice-President.

**Here And There Among Colleges**

Arkansas Polytechnic College has been recognized by the North Central Association as a fully accredited four-year school, and a degree granting institution.

Tech was examined by the North Central examiners early in January, following a three-year program to make the transformation from the junior college to the senior college. The first bachelor degrees were awarded at Tech in June, 1950. This filled the requirement that a school must graduate at least one class before being considered by the accrediting association.

Sponsored by the Physical Education Club and Women's Athletic Association at MSCW, a college play day was presented April 20-21. Entrants from University of Mississippi, Mississippi Southern College, Delta State Teachers College, Millsaps, Gulfport and East Central Junior College took part in the games of softball, volleyball, tennis, badminton, ping pong, shuffleboard and an amateur swimming meet.

Recent opinions at Pearl River Junior College on, "what's your opinion of a person who steps out on their steady?" Went something like this. "If one can get by with it it's all right." "If you

**Wesley Foundation Sponsors Party**

Wesley Foundation sponsored a weiner roast for the Methodist students on the campus, and their guests, Thursday night at the Methodist Church.

Jerry Williamson had charge of the devotion. After this the group adjourned to the yard for recreation and refreshments.

Those present were: Rev. Ellison, Beryle Womble, Betty Ann Peoples, Frances Cook, Margaret Germany, Jerry Williamson, Jane Todd, Jan Weems, Louise Ware, Lecressa Henry, Carolyn Waggoner and Peggy Harrell.

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**High School Seniors To Tour Florida**

Decatur High School seniors along with their sponsors, Miss Helen Sparks and Mr. John Grace plan to go to St. Augustine, Fla., for a tour of that section which is to be both an educational and a pleasure trip.

The group plans to leave Saturday morning April 28 and return Wednesday of the following week. They plan to go by Montgomery, Alabama and, on the way back, to tour the Gulf Coast.

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can't trust him before, you probably couldn't afterwards." "If your steady doesn't mind and it's just a casual date, O. K."



Scene from Baptist Student Union's "Hawaiian" Banquet.

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Miss Mary Ellen Richards and Mr. Thomas McCann joyously pose for photographer after place-card announcement of their "engagement" at Tom-Tom Jamboree.

### Liberal Education, Instituted In College

Atlanta, Ga. (I. P.)—A program that liberalizes liberal education is found in the expanded division of the humanities at Emory University. The new program, which went into effect as the fall quarter opened, makes possible a general culture major without specialization.

According to Dr. Robert Scranton, chairman of the division, the humanities program is designed for non-professional students, and can be a substitute for the demands of department "majors" and "minors" as found in the usual A. B. subject matter sched-

ule. "In the study we trace the growth of Western ideals and culture, include art, music, history, literature, language, Bible, speech philosophy," explained Dr. Scranton. "Such a background is the ideal 'liberal' education."

One feature of this year's program will be a course in Greek Tragedy taught by Sir Richard Livingstone, president of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, England, who will be a visiting professor here during the winter quarter.

Climax of the new division is the humanities colloquium, a class that will be taught like no other on the campus. Modeled on "Great Books" courses, the colloquium will be an informal read-

### EC Ties Goodman In Baseball Game

East Central and Holmes Junior College battled to a 7-7 tie before the game was called because of darkness last Tuesday on the Warrior diamond. Decatur travelled over to Goodman the following Friday only to go down 11-0.

Monroe pitched almost shut-out ball until pitchers were changed and the Bulldogs began to walk around the bases. As the game was called for darkness, it was decided that the winner of the game played the following Friday should be declared winner of both games. Goodman won the tilt 11-0.

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### Annual FTA Party To Be At Leg. Hut

Members of the FTA will have their annual spring party May 2 at the Legion Hut. The group will be entertained with square dancing and a hamburger supper.

Committees were appointed by president James Bradford at the regular meeting April 19. Members of the foods committee are Ella Mae Loper, Joella Chipley, Rosemary Johnson, Edna Hollingsworth and Bobby Caldwell. Transfiguration Committee consists of Donald Marshall and Carey Livingston.

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### W. Arno Vincent . . .

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lege years. After finishing high school at Martin in Lauderdale County, he enrolled at East Central when he was a student during 1935-36 and 1936-37. While at Decatur he played on the first team in football; he played in the first game he ever saw, he remarked. Het was also an outstanding basketball player here.

After graduating from East Central, Vincent was one of four who received athletic scholarships to Mississippi Southern from this college that year. He served as captain of the football and basketball teams at that college.

Vincent received his B. S. degree from Southern in 1939 after which he became teacher and coach of football and basketball at Picayune High School. After one year at Picayune he went to Pass Christian where he was teacher and coach during the 1940-41 and 1941-42 seasons.

In October of 1942 Vincent went into the Navy and attended Officer's Training Course at Northwestern University, Chicago. After one semester at Northwestern he was commissioned Ensign.

Vincent went to sea for three years and before being discharged in 1946, was elevated to Lieutenant. He served as communications officer, navigator and commanding officer in anti-submarine warfare in the Pacific during World War II. He served in the Aleutian Islands, the Hawaiian area, the Philippine Islands, and Okinawa. He went into Tokyo with the occupation forces.

After the war, Vincent attended the University of Mississippi when he received a Master's Degree in education and mathematics.

ing and discussion group. Dr. Joseph Conant, who left the Columbia University faculty to augment the Emory program, declares that students will read novels, drama, philosophy, in typical great works of the ages—Homer, Dante, Shakespeare, Goethe, Proust—covering about twenty books each quarter. The colloquium will meet one or two afternoons a week, and examinations will be oral.

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## RIGLER RITES ON SPORTS

By CHARLES RIGLER

Well, it's baseball season again (as of last Monday in the major leagues), and, as usual, fans everywhere cheer the beginning of the nation's most popular sport.

Walk down the halls of the boys' dormitories just after dinner, and everybody's radio is tuned to Liberty or to other networks broadcasting the best games of the day, or look over the shoulder of anyone reading a daily paper and you won't be surprised if you don't see before your eyes, results of yesterday's games.

### Season Opens For All But Southeastern

Everybody has his opinion on who has the best team in every league, for after all, baseball is a favorite sport. It should be too, for the National League is now in its seventy-fifth year and the American League begins for its fiftieth year.

With the Southeastern League out of commission, more fans around Mississippi, Alabama and Florida will be looking to the major leagues and the Southern As-

sociation for entertainment.

In some people's opinion the Southeastern could have succeeded if it had had more effective organization. Larger cities in the loop, such as Jackson, Montgomery and Meridian were doing all right as far as gathering crowds was concerned. But smaller cities such as Selma, Anniston and Gadsden and the out-of-the-way Pensacola were having a time making ends meet.

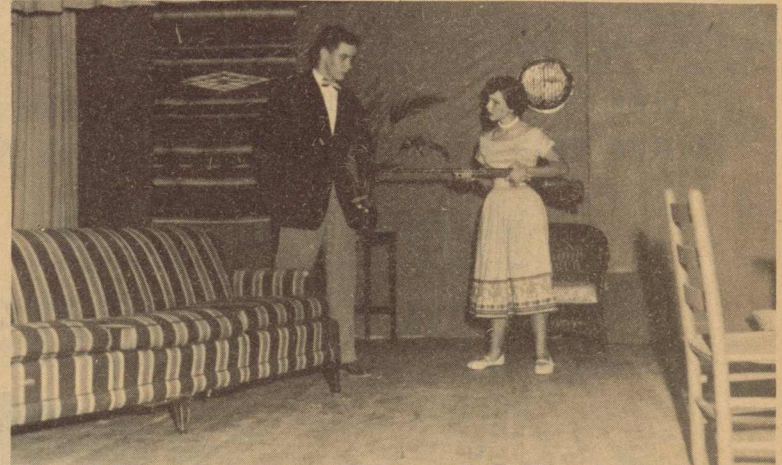
Why couldn't these smaller towns (or rather, not-so-good baseball towns) be eliminated and replaced by better towns? Laurel and Hattiesburg are good sized cities and are good baseball cities as witnessed by semi-pro fans. Both have had applications in for inclusion in the Southeastern.

### Newton Looks Good

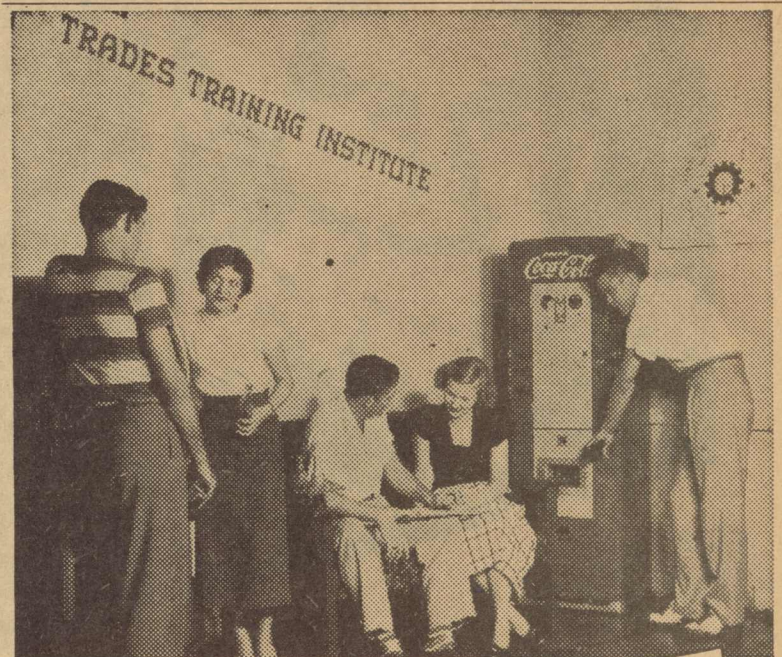
As has been the case for the past few years, Newton High School has a good baseball team. The Tiger nine won their first four games with little effort. Two players who have been looking really good are Thomas on the mound and Wall at catcher.



Left to right—Patsy Williamson, Eddie Ray Loper, and Marlene Bedwell as Aggie, Lizzie, and Tish respectively, discuss "murderous plot" which they have overheard—a high spot in Senior play.



"Dramatic" Scenes from Tish. Mary Frances Eason, as Ellen Leighton repulses advances of presumptuous suitor, Jerry Harris as Charlie Sands.



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Colorful Gypsy Orchestra Relax After Smash-hit Performance on April 10.

## Music, Music, Music Brought to Campus By Gypsy Orchestra

"All we want is music, music, music," and music is what we had when the Gypsy Orchestra invaded the campus April 10th and performed to the audience's delight and enjoyment during the assembly hour.

This Gypsy Orchestra, the only one in the world that does not have a real gypsy in it, is composed of seven instruments. Vocal renditions were given by one of the "Gypsy" girls and by the Gypsy trio.

The Master of Ceremonies, in traditional gypsy dress, entertain-

ed the audience with his subtle wit and very informative knowledge as he introduced each member. The East Centralers, were brought up to date on the history of Russian, Hungarian, Rumanian, and even "Hollywood" gypsy music and, even though many of the selections were unfamiliar, the audience was held spellbound as the melodious strands filled the auditorium. The ardent music lovers thrilled to "Little Gypsy Sweetheart" and "Begin the Beguine," while to those who couldn't distinguish one number from another, all the selections were beautifully rendered and helped to transform the Little Auditorium into the "land of the Gypsies."

All the Gypsies were beautifully

dressed in bright, colorful costumes, which were trimmed in luminous materia that glower in the dark. The lighting system that was used astonished everyone and exclamations such as these were heard, "aren't they pretty!" "Where are they coming from?" "How do they work?" Well, the problem wasn't altogether solved as to how they were operated but the color given to the program through the arrangement added greatly to its effectiveness.

All in all, the program was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone as was indicated by the expressions of pleasure and appreciation which were audible at its conclusion.

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## New Safety Program, Recently Launched

Columbus, O. (I. P.)—The first known safety program of its kind, aimed at protecting research workers in campus laboratories from the hazards of radiation, is being launched at Ohio State University. The pioneering venture was established to help solve the problem created by the steadily mounting use of radiation-generating machines and radioactive materials in the University's many research projects.

The new program will undoubtedly serve as a guide for other similar research centers at universities and colleges throughout the

## PRESS CONVENTION DELEGATES



Staff members chosen to attend journalistic conference. Left to right—Murray Allen, Nancy Herrington, Lamar Weems and Walterine Herrington.

nation, according to Prof. E. E. Dreese, chairman of the department of electrical engineering, who heads a faculty Radiation Laboratory Committee. In this atomic age, he points out, education must include training in radiation safety.

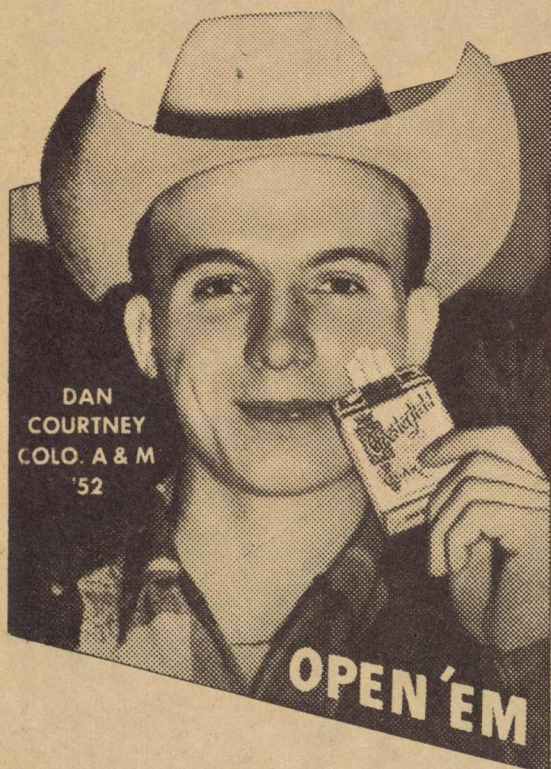
Superintendent of the new safety program is Lester R. Rogers, a graduate of Mississippi Southern College, who has been specially trained in radiological (health) physics. He has recently completed graduate courses in this subject given at the Oak Ridge,

Tenn., National Laboratory, where he held an Atomic Energy Commission fellowship.

To safeguard health and property, Rogers will be responsible for establishing safety measures in all areas of research and study in which radiation generating machines and radioisotopes are used. A primary objective will be "to instill a healthy respect for radiation" among the faculty members, advanced students and others who are concerned with such research.

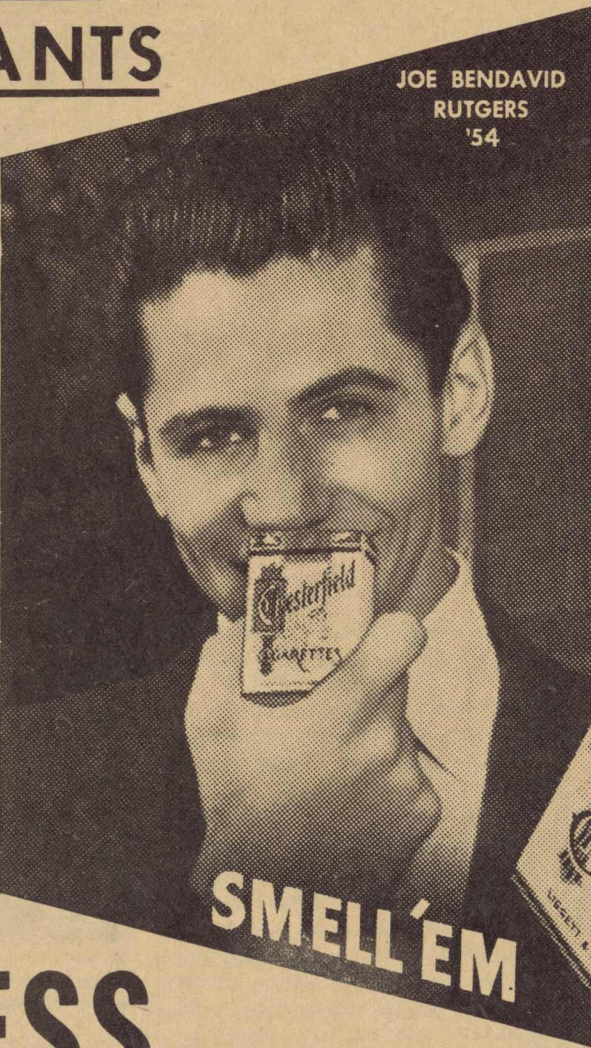
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## Commencement Activities To Begin On May 20th

### Thirty-Seventh Graduation Programs Begin With Baccalaureate By Leggett

Graduating activities begin Sunday evening, May 20 at 7:30 P. M. with the baccalaureate sermon in the gymnasium by Rev. J. W. Leggett, Jr., and conclude at 8:00 on May 25 with the com-

mencement exercises in the gymnasium.

Reverend J. W. Leggett, Jr., is District Superintendent of the Meridian District of the Methodist Church. He is a graduate of Copiah-Lincoln Junior College and Millsaps. He was the leader of delegations from Mississippi Conference to the General Conference of the Methodist Church and to Jurisdictional Conference in Columbia, South Carolina in 1948. Though a young man, according to Dr. L. O. Todd, who selected the speaker, he is an outstanding leader in his denomination, his most recent pastorate being Capital Street Church in Jackson.

Musical numbers for the service will consist of: Processional—Triumphal March (Aida), Veidi; God So Loved the World (From the Crucifixion), Staener; Hear Our Prayer, Rubinstein Wilson—all by Girl's Ensemble with Clara Hollingsworth as accompanist.

On Friday afternoon, May 25, will be presented the final program, May Day and graduation. At 4:30 P. M. the college will be host to all graduates and their families for supper. May Day program will begin at 5:45 on the front campus. This is a traditional program and for seventeen years has come in the afternoon of graduation day. The program as usual will feature high school and college Who's Who and Girls' Physical Education Department. The program will be in general charge of Miss Eunice Eliau.

Graduation program will begin at 7:45 in the gymnasium. During this program honor graduates will be announced by Mr. W. A. Vincent, acting registrar. Continued on Page Three

### Mary Louise Ware, In May Program As Miss E. C. J. C.

Louise Ware will be featured as Miss ECJC in the May Day Program as a result of the Who's Who Election.

Louise is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ware of Harpersville. She finished high school with honors, being salutatorian of her graduating class. She was president of her class her junior year and was Assistant Editor of the annual her senior year.

She is enrolled in the Liberal Arts Curriculum at East Central. Louise takes part in extra-curricular activities as president of Y-Council, a member of the Tom-Tom Staff, Wesley Foundation, S. A. C. and Y. M. and Y. W.

The favorites who were elected and will take part in the May Day Program are Edwina Breazeale, Connie Smith, Lucille Wood, Donald Rawson (who has graduated), Denver Bracken (who is in service), Olive Doyle and Jerry Williamson.

The beauties elected were Joan Johnson (who has graduated), Sue Franklin, Doris Humphries, Barbara Husbands, Jan Weems, Ruthline Ferguson and Charlotte Bracken.

James Madden who was selected Mr. E.C.J.C. in the Who's Who election is no longer enrolled in school and will not participate in the May Day Program.

### Nell Myatt To Reign As May Queen On May 25th Twelve Students Are Named To Participate



NELL MYATT

Nell Myatt will be crowned May Queen at the annual May Day Program to be held May 23. Nell won this honor in the annual Who's Who this year.

Nell, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Myatt of Shady Grove, was an outstanding student in high school, being president of her class for three years and graduating with the honor of Valedictorian.

In addition to being an honor student at East Central, she is active in extra-curricular activities. She holds the position of associate editor of the TOM-TOM, is a member of the Drama Club, having participated in two plays taking outstanding roles in each. As a result of her dramatic performances she was selected to be a member of the Delta Psi Omega fraternity and is also a member of Wesley Foundation. She is in the liberal arts curriculum.

Nell has announced the following people as members of her Continued on Page Five

### EC Art Instructor Wins High Honors In Water Color Work

A painting, Boat Dock, by Lawrence W. Becker was selected as one of the sixteen best out of 175 at the National Water Color Show being held in Jackson throughout the month of May.

The show was a nation-wide contest for professional artists. One hundred and seventy-five paintings were submitted for the contest of which eighty-one were hung in the gallery. Artists from Texas, New York, Alabama, Mississippi, Illinois, New Jersey, Oklahoma, California, Louisiana, and others submitted paintings to be judged. Mr. Becker's paintings was one of fourteen to receive a rating of honorable mention.

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### Summer Session To Begin June 4

After a week of vacation, summer school will open on June 4 and there will be two five week terms and an extra three week term if there is a sufficient number of people interested in it.

The vocational courses will be in operation as usual. There are openings in all departments to anyone who wishes to enter. All veterans taking vocational training must actually be in training on July 25 and be continuously in training thereafter until they have finished the course.

There will be a number of courses in business, secretarial training, science, English, social science and mathematics offered.

All students who plan to enter summer school are urged to contact Dean Roberts of East Central Junior College, indicating the course which they would like to take.

Students expecting to take high school work are especially urged to express their choice of courses for the summer right away.

### Plans Are Suggested For Student Gov't.; Constitution, Set Up

Presidents of all the clubs, classes and organizations met with the Student Activities Committee in their meeting to discuss plans for the Student Body Association.

The Constitution Committee submitted a rough draft of the constitution to the group who received it and suggested changes. The committee is now in the process of revising the constitution in view of these recommendations.

Purposes of the Organization as stated in the Constitution are:

1. To conduct and promote interest in certain student elections.
2. To promote order and suitable conditions for the intellectual.

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### Last Performance, Shakespeare Drama To Be Held Tonight

The last performance of Shakespeare's comedy "A Midsummer Night's Dream" will take place tonight on the front campus at 8:20.

"Blondie" Johnson, featured as Puck, and Cecil Murray, as Bottom, are the two characters who furnish the audience with the laughs.

The play centers around the activities of a group of amateur players who are preparing a play for the Duke, Theseus, played by Lamar Weems. Bottom carries the hero's part in the "lamentable comedy" and Flute the zellows Bender played by Leonard Brownning, the heroine.

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### Evaluators Laud EC College Spirit; Further Plant Expansion Recommended

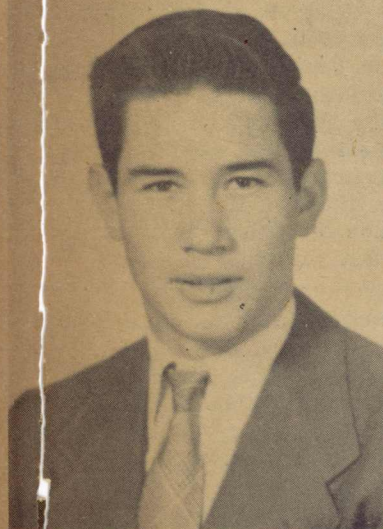
The genuine and warm hospitality and friendly spirit on the campus and the remarkable improvement in the physical plant were cited by Dr. J. W. Reynolds as the most outstanding things about East Central Junior College in his preface to the committee reports of the Evaluation Committee.

In his introductory remarks to the group that assembled to hear the findings of the Evaluating Committee, Dr. Reynolds, chairman of that committee, stated that the attitude exhibited by the student body of East Central was

the best he has encountered on any college campus. He also commended the school for the efficient utilization of the old Newton County Agricultural High School building plant as well as for the construction of new and modern buildings.

The committee reports read at the meeting were generally complimentary of East Central, although recommendations as to needed improvements were many.

The committee on administration and staff reported that the administrative head showed leadership. Continued on Page Four



JERRY HARRIS

### Two Decatur Seniors To Be Featured In May Day Event

Martha Mayes and Jerry Harris will be featured as Miss and Mr. Decatur High in the High School's Who's Who to be presented on May Day.

Other students elected were: Best all-round boy, Joe Todd; best all-round girl, Sylvia Graham; most athletic boy, Johnny Graham; most athletic girl, Edie Ray Loper; friendliest boy,



MARTHA MAYES

Clifton Thornton; friendliest girl, Shirley Cardwell; most intellectual boy, Durward Vance; most intellectual girl, Euner Griffin; cutest boy, Charles Wansley; cutest girl, Mary Frances Eason; most talented boy, William McMullan, who is now in the Navy, and most talented girl, Clara Hollingsworth.

The favorites chosen were Patsy Johnson, Buner Lee Griffin, Patsy Williamson, Ernest Thorne, Elaine Spence, Albert Williamson, Marlene Bedwell, and Carl Lee Hollingsworth.



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## Thirty

It is customary, I am told, for an outgoing editor to sign "thirty" to the year's work in the last issue with a last editorial. This is mine.

It's been an exciting year both for the Tom-Tom and for East Central Junior College as a whole. We started the year in a big way with a record enrollment; we continued the progress by the great expansion of the school plant, and we made a tremendous stride toward still further and even greater improvement through the evaluation. During all this time we continued to uphold a high scholastic standard and to foster and maintain a fine school spirit and student-faculty relationship. We staggered but certainly did not succumb to the blow dealt the school by the draft and fear of the draft. Events and achievements of note have been rife and have added greatly to the making of 1950-51 a good school year. All of this has made news and the Tom-Tom staff has had a difficult but interesting and educational job in assembling the news into a school paper.

Having been editor of the Tom-Tom for the past year, I see cause for appreciation to several groups who have greatly facilitated the publishing of a TOM-TOM. The TOM-TOM has enjoyed during the past year the greatest freedom from censorship of perhaps any other Junior College paper in the state. To the administration I would like to say that we of the Tom-Tom have greatly appreciated this trust and we wish to offer our apologies if we have on any occasion unwittingly betrayed it.

The student body and faculty have our thanks for their support in turning in news.

I personally want to thank heartily the Tom-Tom staff for the remarkable job they have managed to do; especially in view of the handicap of inexperience on the part of the editor as well as themselves. A talent laden staff has been chosen for next year and it is my prediction that the TOM-TOM will be better than it has ever been before.

The service performed by our sponsor, Miss Harris, this year would be impossible to overstate in its importance to the Tom-Tom. To find another, who would perform the duties she has undertaken would be a futile search. "Thanks" seems awfully trite in conveying the feeling of gratitude of myself and the staff for her efforts in behalf of a good paper, but it will have to suffice.

Whether the TOM-TOM has done any good this year is not for me to say; it is for you to decide. We have put forth an honest effort to publish an entertaining and constructive paper and I don't think our motto "Toward a Bigger and Better E. C. J. C." has gone altogether unfilled.

Being Editor-in-Chief has been a great experience and I have appreciated the opportunity.

Lamar

ECJC

## Hail To You, Faculty Members!

This is the part of the academic year which is customarily the accepted time for the bestowing of commendations upon the deserving in all institutions of learning.

But, quite unfairly, it seems to us these compliments are usually reserved for students. We take the spotlight while the people without whose help we could have accomplished little, quietly step aside. We feel that the small group of people who are responsible for the proper functioning of our school and they who so persistently and earnestly endeavor to instill at least a few iotas of knowledge into our complacent heads should also merit public commendation.

According to a recent survey conducted by the United States Department of Labor, most College teachers are getting second rate salaries. For example, scientists employed in industry receive the largest salaries in the field of science and next highest incomes go to government employed scientists, and the lowest salary of all goes to the college professor.

Obviously, our teachers are not here for material reasons. They are here for the sole purpose of helping mankind-trying to help us build an adequate foundation for our perpetual education.

Without sentimentality and the aid of flowery phrase, we wish to let you, the members of the administration and faculty, know that we do feel a profound sense of gratitude toward you for all you have done in our behalf this year. We shall never forget you and your unselfish labor.

## Can "Spring" Be Far Behind?

"If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?"

This quotation can be taken and applied to various things and be fitting, but I would like to apply this to the situation existing in the world today.

Now, in this time of distress and turmoil, everything seems to be going wrong for the people of the world. Truly this is the most critical period of life—it is a time when people wonder if they will exist another day. Everything is so uncertain that there seems to be little security in anything. Restlessness of the people is evident everywhere we turn—and why not? Surely people should be concerned about the disturbing conditions that exist in the world—conditions which threaten the security of our country.

However, the too-distressed attitude and the too-disturbed feeling of the people as a whole help prepare the grounds for the seeds that we wish to eliminate. It has been proved true, time and again that when people become too discouraged, it is easy to lose that which they wish to keep.

We must realize the fact that if we can be made to see the brighter side of things as they exist, everything would be simpler for all, in a sense. People should believe in Shelley's prophecy. "If winter comes can Spring be far behind?" and learn to look for brighter days ahead—for days that are sure to come.

We, as individuals, should be content in the state of life in which we are now living and make the most of it even though an ominous cloud seems to float before us. We shouldn't be reactionaries and long for days that are gone, for better days are always ahead even if they are hidden from view. Let's disprove Shelley's theory which was so fittingly put into the words, "We look before and after and pine for what is not."

Disproving this theory, I believe, will be the only way we can be assured of happiness as we live day by day in this period of life.

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## Campus Christianity

By LOUISE WARE

The scene of the last chapter of the fourth gospel is on the shore of the Sea of Galilee after the events of Passion Week. The apostles had returned to Galilee and some of them had resumed their old occupation of fishing. The first night was a fruitless one. When at dawn their master called out to them from the shore, "Lads, have you got anything to eat?" they had to confess that they had failed to get their daily food by their night of toil.

The incident is typical of many spiritual emergencies. Normally food for our daily living comes from our daily occupations. This is true for the spiritual as well as the physical life. Out of our daily communion and worship, by the aid of great souls, through books or personal contact, we get food for our spirits and strength for our daily tasks. There are times, however, like this fruitless night of the fishermen on Galilee's lake, when the daily occupations fail to bring daily bread. For such emergencies there is need of a reserve supply of food for body and soul. Living things need stored up energy at the beginning of life.

A reserve of spiritual food is needed still more for the strain of life's crises when the daily occupation does not supply the needs of the day. The disciples in the story were not only worn out and hungry from the fruitless night's toil as they faced the day before them; they were bruised and exhausted spirits. They had been through the strain of Passion Week. They had lost their Master. They had lost confidence in themselves. They had all forsaken him. One had denied him. Judas was lost to them. In spite of the resurrection appearances, Jesus had not returned to resume the old life with them. They needed that sense of abiding fellowship with Jesus which came again as they sat around the fire by the lake that morning and partook of the food that he provided. They needed to hear Peter undo his denial, profess his love and receive his commission.

We all need some reserves for emergencies in life some savings for the soul's rainy day; for temptation or for bereavements.

Such a reserve the apostle Paul had, who knew how to be hungry and to be filled, to be abased and to abound. He could do all things through the reserve supply of strength and the riches in glory which were his in Christ Jesus.

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An ounce of prevention is still worth a pound of cure!

## Roving Reporter

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### MacArthur Situation

For our last "student opinion" column we have chosen a topic of vital interest in the world today—a topic that is calling forth reactions from the people of this great commonwealth—The MacArthur-Truman situation. The story is known to all and by elaborate parades and homecoming celebrations the return of this great general will go down in history as a dramatic event in the shaping of the modern world's policies.

People everywhere are expressing their opinion about the matter—some sympathizing with MacArthur and some with Truman. We here at East Central have varying opinions also and after talking to some of the students and teachers, I shall pass their comments on to you. Margaret Ramsay sums up the entire situation in one statement, "It is a mess!" Margaret feels that President Truman has made a bad mistake in calling General MacArthur home and relieving him of his command. She says, "MacArthur was in a position, more so than any other person, to know what was needed and what should be done in Korea and in Communist China and he certainly should have been left in command."

Wade Morris believes MacArthur's policies are definitely the ones that will bring peace even though he did exercise his authority too much. He says, "Considering the present world situation, Truman should not have been quite so hasty in calling MacArthur home."

"I believe it will cause more dissension among the leaders," says Eva Nell Boggan, "and will distract from the war in Korea and from Russia, since so much emphasis is being placed on it."

To June Addkinson the big question is, "Is Ridgway as competent and does he know the situation as well as MacArthur does?" In her opinion the "best man" should be in command and that "best man" is MacArthur.

Carl Durr believes that this action exhibited by President Truman will result in eventual war with China and the rapid spread of Communism to all corners of the earth. He does admit that President Truman had the authority to relieve MacArthur of his command but he exclaimed, "What a time to do it!"

"I think Truman made the

## In My Opinion

By MURRAY ALLEN

College students form opinions too quickly. This is the opinion of some people. I would like to ask is this true of the pupils of East Central Junior College.

As an example of forming a quick opinion, let us consider the MacArthur-Truman controversy. On the day after the history-making announcement of General MacArthur's dismissal, many conflicting opinions could be heard around the campus and in the classrooms. One group would say, "MacArthur is right", another would say, "Truman knows what he is doing."

The question I would like to ask is "How could any of us know who was right in such a short time after the unexpected announcement?" We had only the facts the news commentators chose to tell us. We did not and probably still do not have a clear picture of the situation.

College students should be interested in world affairs, but we should not form an opinion so quickly without considering all the facts involved in the matter. This should be true in school affairs as well as international developments.

A school or government cannot be strong if it depends on uninformed people, who think they are the only ones who know what is right, for its support. Constructive criticism is good, but criticising without being informed can cause trouble.

In my opinion, if we practice learning all the facts before forming an opinion now, we will have gained a valuable habit to use in later life.

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## Plans Are Suggested

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tual, religious, and social life of the college by establishing a pattern for the conduct of the students of the college.

3. To stimulate college, class, and student loyalty.

4. To maintain the cordial relations between faculty and students.

5. To promote the responsibilities of hospitality on the campus.

6. To promote the awareness of rights and responsibilities as citizens of a democratic society.

The Association is so designed as to reach all phases of student life. Representatives from all classes—11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th, dormitory students, commuting students, and vocational training students will be on the council.

When the Constitution is completed an approved by the overall committee, composed of the Student Activity Committee and the Presidents of the organizations on the campus, it will be presented to the student body for ratification. If it is ratified, election of student body officers for next year will take place.

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biggest mistake since Margaret was born!" says Bill Scott. Seriously though, Bill does feel that Truman did make a mistake and that it will result in disaster to the entire world.

Mr. Bedwell comments, "MacArthur's policies are probably right. Even though the bombing of Manchuria is debatable. I don't understand why the Chinese Nationalists are not being used. Of course Russia might have entered the picture directly, but I do believe that the rights MacArthur wanted should have been granted."

One can readily see by these varying opinions that the results of Truman's actions will be momentous. World War or peace—will one be the answer? Time alone will tell.

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## Social Highlights

Misses Peggy Harrell and Edna Hollingsworth spent Tuesday night with Nancy Dell Herring-ton at Union.

Miss Ruth Turner visited Peggy Hunt on the campus Friday and went home with Peggy to Lobutchia.

Pvt. Dwight Webb of Wichita Falls, Texas visited Doris Humphries on the campus Wednesday morning.

Miss LaNell Atkinson spent last week end in Jackson visiting Bobbie Jo Thrash and Gene Sparks.

Lamar, "Foots", Chamblee visited on the campus last Friday. He is now serving in the Air Corps.

Miss Ruby Croxton spent the past week end with LaNell Atkinson at her home.

Miss Ester Alderman and Stewart Howell were united in marriage April 28 in Union, Miss. Mrs. Howell is a freshman at East Central and Mr. Howell is serving in the U. S. Navy. When the semester is over, Mrs. Howell will join her husband at San Diego, California.

Miss Ruth Warren was the guest of Nell Myatt last week-end.

### Frosh-Soph Banquet, Climaxed with Dance

The annual Freshman-Sophomore banquet, attended by members of the classes, their sponsors and other members of the faculty, was held in the College Cafeteria Monday night, April 29.

Jerry Williamson, President of the Freshman class, extended a welcome to the sophomores, with Ann Graham, Sophomore class President, responding. The welcome address to the faculty was made by Patsy Cleveland, the response being given by Mrs. W. W. Newsome.

The group was entertained by local talent. Vocal selections were given by Connie Smith, Eva Nell Boggan, Barbara Husbands, Jane Johnson and Sue Franklin. Also featured on the program was the "Barber Shop Quartet," composed of Charles McNair, Jerry Williamson, Murray Germany and Connie Smith, and an accordion solo by Martha Milling. Readings were given by Betty Freeny and Glenn Pennington.

Fried chicken, potato salad, lima beans, tomatoes, deviled eggs, pear salad, cake, ice cream and iced tea were served to the group.

The evening was climaxed with dancing.

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### Fifty FTA Members Enjoy Annual Picnic

Approximately fifty F. T. A. members, and guests enjoyed a picnic at the Legion Hut, Wednesday afternoon, May 2.

For recreation the group participated in various activities,

### 'Rose Festival', Featured As Theme In Jr.-Sr. Banquet

The Junior-Senior Banquet of Decatur High School was held Friday night, April 27, in Mabry Memorial Dining Hall.

The program was based on the "Rose Festival" theme. After the invocation by Mr. G. L. Palmer followed by Jiggs Barham's welcome to the seniors with Gerald Cook responding, Henry Killer extended a welcome to the parents, honored guests of the evening. The response was given by Mrs. Hollingsworth. The faculty was toasted by Sylvia Graham, the response being given by Coach John Grace. The group was briefly addressed by Dr. L. O. Todd.

Entertainment was provided by the Girls' Quartet composed of Patsy Johnson, Sylvia Graham, Eddie Ray Loper, and Marlene Bedwell. A tap dance number was given by Little Marion Francis. Jean Hollingsworth was featured in several acrobatic numbers. A vocal number was rendered by Patsy Johnson. The Senior Class Prophecy was given by Charlene Amis.

A menu consisting of tomato juice cocktail and pretzels, chicken, potato salad, green butter beans, cucumber pickles, pineapple and cream cheese salad, hot rolls and strawberry shortcake with whipped cream was served to the group.

fishing, hiking and playing games, especially a soft-ball game. Hamburgers and cokes were served for refreshments.

### EC Women Grads, Honored With Tea In Jackson Hall

East Central's women graduates were honored with a seated tea in the lobby of Jackson Hall from 4:30 to 5:30 on Tuesday afternoon, May 1 by the freshmen girls.

The guests, faculty members and faculty wives congratulated the graduates. Misses Jane Johnson and Barbara Husbands greeted the guests at the door. Freda Gardner, Patsy Cleveland, Sara Craft, Barbara Bridges, and Edna Hollingsworth served the guests.

The program opened with a duet, "Moonbeams" by Eva Nell Boggan and Barbara Husbands. A piano solo "Indian Summer" was rendered by Nancy Walton, Jackie Young sang "Deep In My Heart, Dear." Another piano solo was given by Martha Milling. "All For You" was sung by Patsy Johnson.

Sara Williams, retiring president of the Women Students Organizations, was presented a tea spoon in her chosen pattern by Barbara Husbands as a gift from the girls.

To conclude the program, Martha Milling played "Always" and "Tea For Two."

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### Faculty Facts And Falderal

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Terrell had as recent visitors Mrs. Terrell's brother and his wife, Lt. and Mrs. I. M. Hamilton of Craig Field, Selma, Alabama.

Mr. J. W. Bedwell attended an accounting association held at L. S. U. last week end.

Flight Lt. Jack Mayo and his roommate Ray Lindbloom who are stationed at Sherman, Texas, are spending a few days with Lt. Mayo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mayo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker, Jr. plan to spend the summer at the University of Texas, Austin, where Mr. Walker will pursue his studies toward his Ph. D.

Miss Ethel Burton plans to spend the summer with her mother at Montgomery, Ala.

For her summer vacation, Mrs. Carrie Lee Madden plans to visit in Louisiana, Arkansas and North Carolina.

Miss Mary Ellen Richards is going to Ole Miss next week end to attend the installation of a chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, a national business education fraternity.

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### Sophomore Party, Followed By Dance At Roosevelt Park

The annual sophomore party was held at Roosevelt Park near Morton, Saturday, April 28.

The sophomores, their guests, and their sponsor, Mr. E. W. Terrell engaged in various forms of entertainment such as swimming, boating, fishing and hiking.

A picnic supper, prepared by Mrs. Gordon, the dietitian, was served. After supper the group participated in such games as soft ball and badminton.

The party ended with a dance in the lodge.

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### Thirty-seventh Grad'n

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Dean R. C. Roberts will present the classes and Dr. L. O. Todd will present diplomas to more than a hundred graduates.

Hon. Walter Spiva, state director of Civil Defense, will speak to the graduates.

### Thirty Decatur Seniors Tour Florida Historical Spots Visited By Group

The Decatur seniors returned on Wednesday, May 2, from their senior trip.

Leaving on Friday, April 27, after the Junior-Senior banquet and the dance which followed, the thirty seniors and their sponsors, Mr. Grace and Miss Sparks, were on their way to Florida.

One of the first stops the group made was at St. Augustine, the oldest city in the U. S., where they had reservations at resort cabins right off the main highway.

There in the historical city they saw numerous sights of historical and human interest. Among these sights were Ripley's Believe It Or Not Museum where were displayed the thousands of the phenomena for which Ripley is famous. One of these strange objects which impressed several of the seniors tremendously was a letter to Mr. Ripley written on a single strand of blond hair.

A visit was made to the city fort, Castillo de San Marcos. Built by the Spaniards in the years following 1672, the fort is now the oldest existing fortification in the United States. Over it have flown the flags of Spain, Great Britain, the Confederacy and the United States.

Of great interest was the Fountain of Youth for which Ponce De Leon searched diligently and the Indian Burial Grounds. A highlight of the trip was the group's attendance on Sunday at Flagler Memorial Church, a Presbyterian church in St. Augustine. This great example of Venetian Renaissance architecture was built in 1889 by Henry M. Flagler, great "empire builder" of Florida, as a memorial to his daughter.

In this, the oldest of cities, were seen the oldest house and the oldest school house in the United States. The Oldest house, an authentic relic of St. Augustine's long and colorful past, is famous throughout the nation as a landmark rich in history. The Oldest school house, under three flags, stands on quaint old St. George Street, just inside the City Gates. A Spanish map of 1788 shows this house of wood "in fair condition." It is made entirely of red cedar. "Surely" remarked the guide, "in these relics is found the Old World preserved amid the New."

A visit which the group will never forget was to Marine Studies, the world's only aquarium, in Marineland, Fla. Here is presented the most amazing display of live marine life ever assembled. In these great oceanariums, the mysterious, colorful undersea world can be viewed through more than two hundred

portholes living under conditions comparable to that of the open sea. Especially featured are the giant porpoises which are fed by hand every morning and afternoon. These porpoises, the first to be successfully kept in captivity, provide a climax of excitement as they jump from the water to snatch food from the hands of attendants and visitors alike.

Wakulla Springs, near Tallahassee was another of the beautiful places visited by the seniors. The eighteen-mile long spring reaches to the ocean. Enough water flows into it every minute to supply New York for three days. The water is 94.4% pure, and stays between 70 degrees and 72 degrees all year around. It has been the scene of many underwater motion pictures.

The seniors viewed the springs through glass bottomed boats and their description of it was something like this:

The water, which is 185 feet deep, is crystal clear—so clear that you can drop a penny into it and watch it descend until it hits the lime, sparkling white bottom. There is a huge tree down under the water which fell years ago and became petrified. In this tree you can see a hole where the Indians had chopped for honey. There is also a fish named "Harvey" who jumps out of the water when the captain of the boat calls his name.

Perhaps fascinating is the best adjective to describe the St. Augustine Alligator Farm, the home of over 7,000 alligators. One male alligator is seven hundred years old. The seventy-five year old keeper has not only named all the alligators, but he also has a favorite among them. From their skins he styles gator wallets, bags, and shoes which he ships and sells.

Last but not least, of the attractions according to the report, visited by the seniors is Potter's Wax Museum. This "World in Wax" portrays figures of history's greatest men and women, almost as alike as to their personal appearance as well as attire as they were when they were living, as well as some of today's world figures.

These figures include such persons as Joan of Arc, Christopher Columbus, William Shakespeare, Oliver Cromwell, John Milton, Sir Isaac Newton, William Penn, Daniel Defoe, Winston Churchill, and Harry S. Truman, also many others. The figures are created and imported from England at the rate of about six every six months. It takes six months to make one figure, and they cost \$1500 apiece. The collection is constantly being increased and

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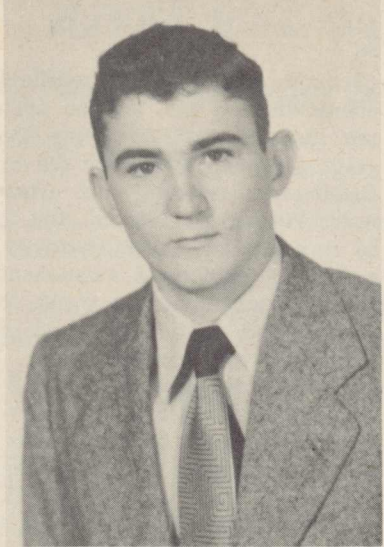
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Carey Livingston, freshman at East Central, was elected First Vice-President of the state YM-YW organization at the conference held at Camp Blake M. Godfrey April 27-29.

Y Council Officers,  
Chosen For 1951-52

Y-Council officers for the 1951-52 school year were elected at a recent meeting of the council.

Cary Livingston was elected to serve as president; for vice president, Jerry Williamson was elected, and for treasurer, James Breland. The offices of secretary and co-treasurer will remain open until next year to be filled by freshmen.

Cary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Livingston of Louisville. He completed the requirements for his high school diploma in three years, graduating with honors from Louisville High School. He entered East Central Junior College in the fall of 1950 as an Education major and after completing his work here, he plans to continue his study at Mississippi Southern College. At a recent Y.M.-Y.W.C.A. Conference Cary was elected first vice-president of the state Y.M.C.A.

Jerry Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Williamson of Philadelphia, graduated from Bloomo High School where he was

Approximately A Hundred To Graduate  
In May 25th Ceremony In Gymnasium

A total of 103 students will graduate from East Central on Friday night, May 25, 1951.

Of this total, seventy-three are college graduates and thirty are high school students. Among the college graduates, eleven curricula are represented.

There are thirty-two students in the Liberal Arts curriculum, sixteen in Education, five in Secretarial Science, five in Agriculture, three in Business, three in Home Economics, three in Engineering, three in Industrial Education, one in Music, one in Pharmacy, and one in Medical Services.

Of the seventy-three graduates, sixty-eight are from the five counties in this college district. There are twenty students from Neshoba county, twenty from Newton, seven from Leake, ten from Winston, and seven from Scott.

Those college students Neshoba county who are graduating are: Jane Marvene Adcock, Willie Frances Burt, Emma Louise Dixon, Marzine Dove, Clara Annie Hardy, Phillip Rudolph Hutton, Joe Welborn Lewis, Ella Mae Loper.

editor of the school annual and valedictorian of his class. Since entering East Central Junior College in September 1950 as a ministerial student, Jerry has served as president of the Freshman Class as well as being active in a number of clubs and campus activities. He plans to continue his education at Millsops College.

James Breland, son of Mr. J. W. Breland and the late Mrs. J. W. Breland of Philadelphia, is a graduate of Philadelphia High School. During his high school years, James participated in quite a number of music festivals and recitals. He is continuing his music major and after completing his studies here he plans to attend Mississippi Southern and later the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

per, Homer Horace McCown, Henry Vension McKinion, Marporie Bell Melton, Ina Nell Myatt, Barbara Ann Nicholson, Ruth Elizabeth Richie, Charles Mays Rigler, Janiece Smith, Norman Thomas, Jimmy N. Young, Billy Claude Breazeale, and William Henry Dees, Jr.

From Newton county are: Sara Emma Aycock, Johnnie Baxter Barfoot, Robert K. Caldwell, Jackie Ethridge, Annie Ola Graham, Shirley Irene Hardy, Nancy Dell Herrington, Randolph David Kelly, Margaret McKinney, Grayson Eugene McMullan, Joan Faith Meador, Curtis Monroe, Warren McMullan Moseley, Frances Adell Russell, Mary Ann Bailey Scoggins, Billie Jewel Thrash, Jane Todd, Charlotte Wells Bracken, Sara Aletha Williams, and Carl Durwood Loper.

Those from Leake county graduating are: Ruby Gene Ballinger, Tiny Joella Chipley, Peggy Gay Harrell, Mary Lecressa Henry, Rosemary Johnson, Johnny R. Jones, Joe Dodson Massey, Troyce Macie Massey, Bill Scott, Carolyn Waggoner, and Mattie Fay Wooten.

Graduates from Winston county consist of: June Etheridge Addikson, Bernice Jean Dempsey, Wilmer Fulton, Doris Humphries, Peggy Ann Hunt, Frances Hutton, Nancy H. Kirkpatrick, Bobby Dean Shaw, Lucille Wood, and Henry Grady Langley.

Scott county graduates are: William Fred Jones, James Curtis Bradford, McCoy Gunn, Mary Louise Ware, William Lamar Weems, Rufus DeLee White, and William Henry Wooten.

The five remaining college graduates are: Pete Evans Kemp from Centerville, Miss.; Charles Raymond Williams and James Roy Cardwell from Sylacouga, Ala.; Milton H. Johnson from Panama City, Fla.; and Daniel Allison Wallace from Jacksonville, Fla.

The high school graduates include: Howard Addy, James Harris Addy, Mary Linette Vaughn Bane, Marlene Bedwell, Shirley Brand Cardwell, Marion Henton Bufkin, Cline Gerald Cook, Charles Roland Duffee, Quintella Elizabeth Duffee, Mary Frances Eason, Edward F. Gordon, Johnny Graham, Buner Lee Griffin, Eunor Lee Griffin, Joe Franklin Hall, Sammie Jean Harbour, and James Jerry Harris.

Others are: Clara Ruth Hollingsworth, Patricia Ruth Johnson, Stephen Jerome Krase, Lloyd Little, Eddie Ray Loper, Robert McNair, Martha Abbeline Mayes, Elizabeth Elaine Spence, Willice Henton Thorne, William Clifton Thornton, Clarence Durward Vance, and Patricia Carolyn Williamson.

Evaluators Laud . . .

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ership in administering the functions of the junior college and foresight and leadership in campus building improvements. East Central was complimented for having the only administrative head in the state who holds a Ph. D. degree. The Board of Trustees was commended for its high ethical standards and for its policy of adhering to the sphere of policy making and delegating the executive of the administrative functions to the President. A monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, further expansion of the school plant, and in-service-training for the administrative staff and faculty were recommended.

Concerning the school staff, the committee said "In general the committee feels that the staff, including both administrative and instructional personnel, of East Central is good. They have been



At the conclusion of the Evaluation Program held here last week, committee reports were given by noted educators, presenting their findings. Present at this meeting were: Front row, left to right: Mr. E. W. Young, Jones County Junior College; Dr. Russel Cooper, University of Minnesota; Mrs. Gertrude M. Rowzee, Copiah-Lincoln; Mrs. E. T. Harvey, Copiah-Lincoln; Mr. J. B. Pearson, Meridian Junior College. Back Row—Dr. Alton Aiken, Mississippi State; Mr. J. F. Grogan, Mississippi State; Dr. L. O. Todd, President of East Central Junior College; and Dr. J. W. Reynolds, University of Texas.

carefully selected as to training and experience and they are functioning in a very satisfactory manner." It was recommended that a curriculum committee be established and a study of teaching loads be made.

The Committee on Pupil Population and School Community Needs of Youth reported a wide and varied program on the campus that is resulting in a superior type of public college which is rendering a service to students in this area that could not be rendered by any other educational institution. East Central was commended for its sound philosophy, its cooperation with high schools this area, for encouraging its students to continue their education and for the fine attitude on the part of students and faculty. It was recommended that improvements be made in the physical health, physical education and guidance programs. Development of leisure time activities which would carry over into adult life was also suggested.

The Pupil Activity Program committee brought a report which

said that East Central has a program that meets many of the leisure, recreational, and social needs of students and is outstanding in many areas. The Student Center, school publications, school assemblies, campus clubs, dramatic and speech activities, the Women's Student organization, and Student Activity Committee received commendation. The needs for a student council, a band, more physical activities for the boys, and ways and means of entertainment and activity for the students who do not attend dances were brought out in the recommendations. It was also suggested that vocational students should be included in more activities of the school.

The Library Service Committee had this to say, "The basic purpose of the library should be to reflect and promote the basic purposes of the school itself. It is evident that the library is striving diligently to contribute its part toward the realization of the purposes of the school. The library building, management, and content were commended. Addi-

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## Orchids To . . .

As the school year draws to a close, do we not all agree that the slogan of the TOM-TOM, "Toward a bigger and better E. C. J. C." has been fulfilled?

As we observe our school closely, we can see many changes and improvements that have been made—made by persons and organizations that have given their time and effort with a willing and unselfish spirit toward the betterment of our school. Because of this we are proud to present orchids to:

Those who were responsible for the Student Center, the cafeteria, and the new additions to Jackson Hall.

The Assembly Program Committee for so efficiently providing entertaining and informative chapel program during the year.

Mrs. Sullivan and her co-horts in keeping the stage attractively decorated for the assembly programs.

The Freshman Class for making possible the Freshman-Sophomore banquet.

The Student Activity committee which so willingly did all the tasks that help to make life at East Central more enjoyable.

Everyone who put "their best foot forward" and made the evaluation the success it was.

Mrs. Gordon for the untiring service that she and her staff have rendered during the year.

The faculty for their patience and for often "going the second mile" with the students.

The students, who by their participation in the activities and by their diligent studying, have helped in making possible the high rating that is given E.C.J.C.

To everyone in general who has contributed even the smallest mite toward making this school year profitable and enjoyable.

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It is estimated that today there is a skilled labor force of 8,000,000 men and women in our country.

## Carey Livingston Chosen As Officer, Y.M.-Y.W. Conf.

Carey Livingston, a freshman from East Central, was elected first vice-president of the state organization of Y. M. and Y. W. meeting in conference at Camp Blake M. Godfrey, April 27-29.

Other members attending the conference from the local college were Ellen Stokes, Louise Rives, Freda Gardner, Billie Thrash, Donald Marshall and Elinor Wood with Mrs. Janie Sullivan as sponsor.

The students attending the conference had an opportunity to meet other students from over the state, from both junior and senior colleges, and share with them in fellowship, recreation, worship, and a series of discussions. They also participated in student workshops.

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## Nell Myatt To Reign . .

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court: Frances Burt, Lamar Weems, Nancy Dell Herrington, Johnnie Ray, Sam Thomas, Jane Todd, Bobby Caldwell, Ruth Richie, Murray Allen, Betty Katherine Roberts and Cecil Murray.

Marion Francis and Jane Ellison will be flower girls, and Ann Douglas, Lyla Myatt, and Sandra Peck will be the train bearers.

The crown bearer will be little Wayne Terrell.

Nell will wear a dress of white chantilly lace over organdy, fashioned with a fitted bodice, draped neckline, and long train.

The girls of the court will wear rainbow colors, consisting of pastel shades of pink, blue, yellow, green, orchid, and aqua. Their dresses will be made of organdy fashioned with scalloped bertha and overskirt. They will wear coronets of fresh flowers.

The flower girls will wear blue dresses of the same style as the girls of the court. The trainbearers' dresses will be the same in pink.

The crown bearer will wear a suit of white linen.

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World's largest refractor telescope is in the Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Wisc.

## Lawrence Becker, To Stage Art Show At Wolfe Gallery

Lawrence W. Becker, art instructor at East Central, is staging a one-man art show in the Wolfe Gallery in Jackson, May 1-30.

His water color paintings, consisting of sixteen pieces of work, will be hung at the same time as the National Water Color Show paintings are hung in the main galleries. Mr. Becker's works are made up of floral subjects, old buildings, and industrial scenes.

When asked his reaction to the invitations to participate in this showing, Mr. Becker stated, "I consider it an honor to be able to stage a one-man show at this time."

Titles of the paintings shown are: Magnolias, Gladiolus, Roses with Blue Drape, Yellow Iris, Section House, November Section Houses, Blast Furnace, Close Quarters, Waiting for the Cotton Gin, Five Thirteen Shanty Hill, Tenant House, Cresol Vat, Make-shift Still Life, The Lovely Acre, Newton, Mississippi, and Depot.

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## 2 Faculty Members Attend Science Meet At Delta College

F. E. Leatherwood and R. C. Roberts of the Science Department of East Central, attended the Mississippi Academy of Sciences meeting at Delta State Teachers College, April 27 and 28.

The program for Friday included a general session, business session, sectional meetings, a tea in the home of President and Mrs. W. M. Kethley and a banquet.

During the general session the welcome address was made by W. M. Kethley, president of the Delta State and an address, "Several Sciences But a Single Purpose," by Richard R. Priddy, president of the academy. Several general papers were given by representatives of industrial companies and laboratories. Specially prepared papers were also presented at the sectional meetings which included Biological Science, Earth Science Section and the Psychological Section. At the Biological Science Section meeting Leatherwood presented, with illustrations, a paper entitled, "Anatomical Studies of a Two-Headed Calf."

At the banquet, a panel discussion led by Hendrix Dawson, was given on "Mississippi Game and Fish Research Program."

Saturday's program included a tour of the Delta Branch Experiment Station at Stoneville, a tour of the Baxter Laboratories at Cleveland and a joint session of the Academy and the Pre-medical Honor Society, the Alpha Epsilon Delta.

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## The E. C. Students Attend BSU Retreat At Co-Lin College

A group of East Central students attended the annual Baptist Student Union Retreat at Co-piah-Lincoln Junior College, Weston, April 20-21.

The pupils attending were Duane Burgess, Barbara Bridges, Patsy Cleveland, Carolyn Fulton, Ruth Richardson, Jany Ming, Glenn Eaves, James Breland, and Miss Bryant, B. S. U. worker.

The purpose of this convention was to give information and inspiration to the newly elected council members. Messages were given both to inform and inspire. The outstanding event was the Campfire Service led by Alex Harbor of Mississippi College, of Clinton. Students from all Mississippi colleges were present.



Betty Payne of Newton will serve as FBLA President during the school year of 1951-52.

## Officers Are Chosen For FBLA Group: Betty Payne Prexy

F. B. L. A. has elected as officers for the next school year: Betty Payne, Dot Smith, Sara Warner Craft, and Carolyn Fulton.

Betty, elected president, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Payne of Newton. Betty was cheerleader at Newton in her high school days. She has been elected assistant Business Manager for the TOM-TOM for next year. During the football season she was a cheerleader.

The office of vice president has been left open for a Freshman.

Dot Smith was elected secretary. Dot is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Smith of Houlika. She was salutatorian of her class. She is active in Y.M.Y.W., Y.W.A. is a member of the advertising staff on The TOM-TOM, and is a member of the B. S. U. Council.

Carolyn Fulton, treasurer, daughter of Lige Fulton, graduated from Bond High school in Neshoba county. She received the Citizenship award that year. Carolyn is a member of Y.M.-Y.W. and B.S.U. Council, Home Economics Club, and is 3rd vice-president of the Women's Student Government for the summer session.

Sarah Warner Craft, program chairman, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Craft of Union. Sarah graduated from Union High with honors and was editor of the Union Hi-lites. She is a member of Y.M.Y.W., Wesley, is associate editor for The TOM-TOM for '52 and is third vice-president of the Women's Student Government for the Fall session.

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The finale of the ballet contains the entire ballet cast and is called "Woodland Sketches."

Preceding and following the play Clera Hollingsworth plays "Claire de Lune" by Debussy.



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**On Being Evaluated!**

What happened on the East Central campus recently? The students and faculty were all smiles, everything was clean and shining, and subdued whisper went around "The evaluators are here."

Yes, the leading educators snooped all around, pulled the skeletons out of East Central's closets, uncovered all the dirt, discovered that a lot of paint was new—yet, they found good things to say about us! (I believe that picnic had something to do with their decision.)

In thinking back over their visit, it seems they knew mighty little to be such leading educators, why, one even asked me in chemistry what was the hottest part of the bunsen burner flame. Imagine his not knowing when we learned that the first week in school!

And the other questions they asked—(they said they were investigating pupil activities, but I think they were just plain nosy.) Why they asked me everything from the embarrassing question, "How often do you have a date?" to "Do you like to dance?"!

Now evaluation is over—know what—things haven't changed a bit!

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**Evaluators Laud . . .**

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tional shelving, some new books,

and weeding of old books were thought to be needed. More extensive use of the library was encouraged.

The committee on Guidance Services submitted a report based on how well guidance services of this institution are enabling: (1) The student to become a well adjusted individual capable of being self-directive in his choices and plans; (2) The teacher to individualize instruction and better meet the needs of individual students; and (3) The administrator to take leadership in curriculum development based on discovered needs of both the students and community. The principal commendation was that East Central is "an institution which provides students with adequate opportunities to develop well-rounded lives—mentally, spiritually, socially, aesthetically, and vocationally—and to become satisfactorily adjusted in the school situation." Also commended was the fact that East Central was among the leaders in setting up a qualified counselor to aid in the guidance of students. Several improvements were suggested which would help the students in planning for the future.

The School Plant Committee commended the utilization of old buildings and the "phenomenal" expansion and development of the plant in recent years without increased taxes on the people of

**Tom-Tom Is Awarded Third Position At Jr. College Press Association; EC Student Elected Vice-President**

The TOM-TOM won third place in the judging contest of the nine papers entered in the Mississippi Junior College Press Association at the annual convention, at which Walterine Herrington of East Central was elected vice president.

First place award went to "The Pine Burr" of Summit and second to "The Hindsonian" of Hinds Jr. College. In addition to Miss

this area. The need was recognized for a new auditorium, more dormitory space for girls, health service facilities and audio-visual facilities.

**Thirty Decatur . . .**

Continued from Page Three will certainly prove to be a lasting contribution to education in America.

"History doesn't happen between the covers of books, it is merely recorded there. History happens to people—and it happens on the land. Seeing where history happened makes it more intimate and meaningful to us." So spoke John W. Griffin and from their remarks made on their return from their trip, the seniors seem to agree with Mr. Griffin.

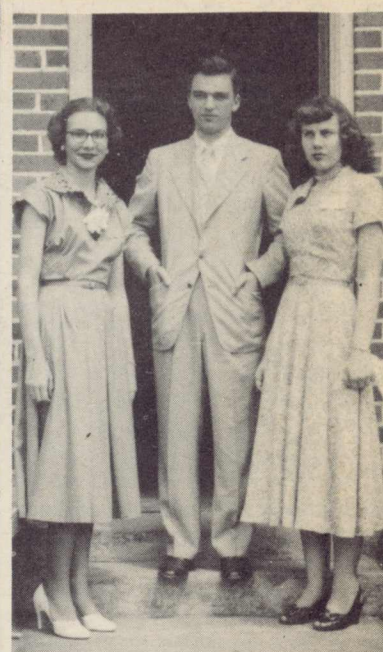
Herrington, other officers of the Association for the coming year are Robert Ferguson of Raymond's Hindsonian staff who will be president, and Patsy Lorraine of Holmes' "The Growl" who will serve as secretary.

Lamar Weems, Nancy Herrington, Murray Allen, Walterine Herrington, and Miss Una Harris, represented the TOM-TOM at the meeting which was held at Southwest Junior College on April 27-28.

The program for Friday included, in addition to the business session, a garden party on the front campus, a formal banquet with an address by Mrs. Mary D. Cain, and the Spring Formal of the school, to which all conventioners had a special invitation.

A part of the program for Saturday was a symposium, by Betty Boyls, editor of M. S. C. W.'s "Spectator," and Glen Jones, editor of Southern's "The Student Printz."

Criticism of the papers was given by the judges who consisted of Conrad Smith, editor of "Tulane Hullabaloo," Frank Jas. Price, sponsor of L. S. U.'s "Daily Reveille," and W. F. Minor from the Mississippi Bureau of the



Mississippi Junior College Press Association officers were elected at the convention held at SMJC 28-29. Left to right above are Patsy Lorraine, Holmes Junior College, Secretary; Robert Ferguson, Hinds Junior College, President; and Walterine Herrington, East Central Junior College, Vice-President. Photo by Pete Norman Pine Burr

"Times Picayune." The trophy was presented to Betty Boyd, editor of "The Pine Burr," of Southwest, by Mr. B. L. Hill, Junior College advisor for the state.

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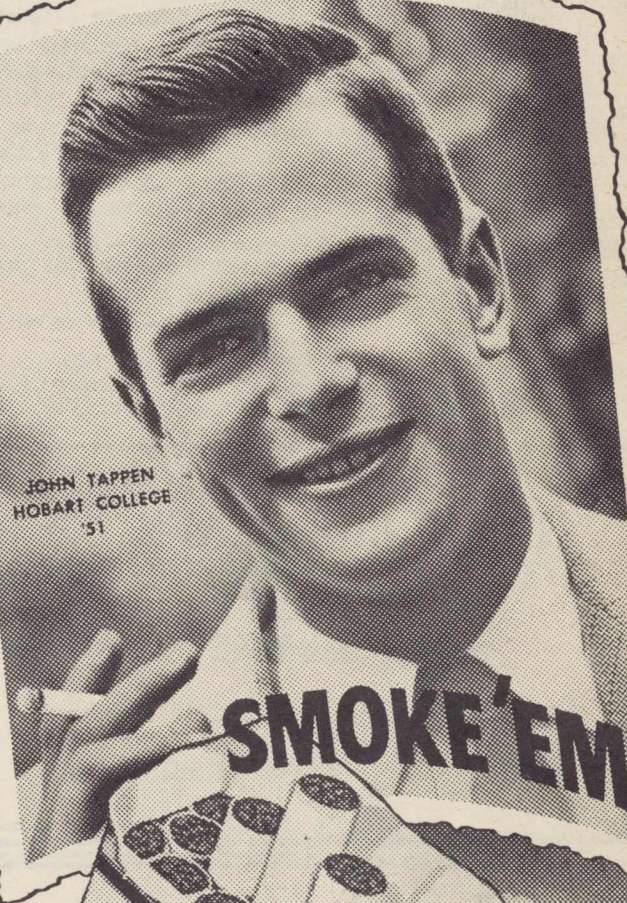
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