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Biology Group Newly Organized

One of the newest campus organizations is the Biology club which replaces the Pre-Med club that has functioned for several years at N. J. C. All students who have had a science or are enrolled in one at the present time are eligible for membership. The organized group hopes to promote and further discussions of interesting topics in the fields of zoology and botany.

Officers who were elected at the first meeting include Kathryn Worley, sophomore, president; Joy Michael, freshman, vice-president; Flora Boles, freshman, secretary, and Ernest Gray, freshman, treasurer.

Meetings are held on second and fourth Tuesdays at 4 p.m. in Brown hall. Dues are 25 cents monthly.

The second meeting, which was held on November 27, consisted of a program dealing with genetics and heredity, under the direction of Anna Lee Bedwell, program chairman.

Ag. Clubs Plan Barbecue Dec. 18

Plans are being formulated jointly by the social committees of the Home Economics and the Agricultural clubs for a banquet which is to be given in the sewing room of the home economics department on December 18 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Fryers, raised by agricultural students, will provide the main course. They will be barbecued in a demonstration by L. L. Price, faculty sponsor of the Ag club. Other dishes will be prepared by the Home Economics club.

A social hour will follow. Tentative plans call for clever games of a question and answer nature.

This type of social has taken place annually since the organization of the department in 1940. Maj J. G. Lee, Jr., dean of the college of agriculture of L.S.U., was guest speaker at the initial affair. At this time the two clubs consisted of 106 members.

The sewing room has been the scene of all these activities, as well as others not relating directly to the department. The most recent was a coffee hour enjoyed by members of the faculty and the staff with Miss Frances Kelso, faculty sponsor, and the Home Economics clubs as hostesses. On December 4 Mr. Price will be host to the board of directors, Monroe Kiwanis club, comprising 28 businessmen. Home Ec. girls will assist on this occasion.

Home Ec. Group Sells Fruit Cake

It's great fun! Yes, when the Home Economics club girls put their heads together and discuss food they're cooking with gas on the front burner. And this time it's a fruit cake.

Chances will be sold on the ten-pound confection, and the person who draws the winning number will receive the big cake filled with all kinds of tantalizing fruits, spices and nuts. A chance will cost only a dime, so when the time comes don't forget to buy one. Yours might be the lucky number.

Winner of Prize Song Discovered

At last the first prize winner of the yell and song contest held in October has been discovered. Mrs. Florence Z. Allbritton, assistant professor in piano, has admitted that she entered the song, "Spirit of N. J. C.," anonymously so that there would be no partiality in judging because of her being on the faculty.

This was not her first experience in writing songs which have won recognition. Two of her compositions, "Magnolias" and "The Duel," have been sung before audiences. Other music which she has collaborated in writing has been performed publicly.

Since she was five years old, Mrs. Allbritton has taken piano lessons, and after graduating from Clarks High school, she studied at Lindenwood college, St. Charles, Mo., where she received a diploma in piano. At Chicago Musical college she completed work for the bachelor of music and master of music degrees. She also studied piano at Louisiana State university.

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"It Covers the Campus"

Noel Coward's 'Blithe Spirit' Is First Major Production

By Beverly Bogan



Cast in the leading roles of "Blithe Spirit," presented last night in Brown hall auditorium under sponsorship of the Wig and Mask club, were, left to right: Yvonne Lusk as Ruth, second wife of Charles Condomine; Malcolm Steen as Charles, and Bonnie Holloway as Elvira, the blithe spirit and first wife.

Promising to be one of the best Wig and Mask club productions, the first performance was given last night when "Blithe Spirit," Noel Coward's forceful comedy, was presented in Brown hall auditorium at 8 o'clock. The play was directed by Miss Sarah Helen Word, instructor in speech.

A masterpiece of hilarity and entanglement, "Blithe Spirit" was guaranteed to tease provocatively your sense of humor and at the same time make you shudder with apprehension. Crammed full of mystery and intrigue, the plot is so unusual that only an artist like Noel Coward could have conjured it. Its satire inspires its comedy sparkles.

"Blithe Spirit" has received laurels wherever it has played and its enthusiastic praises still echo across Broadway and London stages. Its chills and thrills leave you shaken and breathless. It is a comedy of merry mixups that brought a gay evening as you watched Charles Condomine, played by Malcolm Steen, try to unravel the laughable situation in which he found himself, suddenly a man with two wives.

But before you condemn Charles too harshly, you should know that one of his wives, Elvira, the blithe spirit, with Bonnie Holloway in the part, (Continued on page four)

Instructors Go To L. T. A. Meet

Eight members of our faculty attended the fifty-first annual meeting of the Louisiana Teachers association in Alexandria, November 28-30. Delegates from N.J.C. were B. S. Hamner and W. L. Perkins. Others attending were Dean Rodney Cline, Mrs. Fannie Pippin Davis, Miss Hazel Mitchell, W. C. Honeycutt, Fred G. Thatcher and William P. Grant.

Miss Mitchell, president of the modern languages section, presided at the group meeting. Mrs. Judith Major of L.S.U. spoke on "The Learning of French through the Reading and Spoken Approach." Dr. W. C. Zellars of Louisiana college spoke on the "Values of Languages in the Future and Methods of Teaching." Miss Mitchell was elected to serve as vice-president of this section in the coming year.

In addition to attending L. T. A. meetings, Mr. Grant was present at the meetings of the Louisiana Music Educators association. One of the speakers in the orchestra division was John Shenaut of Northwestern State college who will be remembered by the sophomore students when he gave a concert on the campus last spring.

Dean Cline attended the George Peabody college alumni banquet and was elected president of the Louisiana section of the organization.

Delegates applauded a report by H. R. Reeves of Albany in which he asserted that teachers with four years college training were paid initial salaries between \$900 and \$1,300 annually compared with \$1,425 paid annually to untrained railroad section (Continued on page three)

Rosalind Nadell Will Give Concert On Campus Dec. 12

Winner of the Marion Anderson prize for 1943 and one of the most promising of this country's singers in opera, concert and radio is Philadelphia-born Rosalind Nadell, who will appear in Brown hall auditorium Wednesday, December 12, at 8:15 p.m. The concert is being sponsored by the Monroe Civic Music association.

Still in her early twenties, Miss Nadell has won laurels in almost every vocal artistic medium. Scarcely



out of her teens in 1942, she sang leading mezza-soprano roles with the Philadelphia opera company in that city and in Boston.

Winning the Marion Anderson prize in 1943, featured singing with the New York Center Opera company in 1944, and Broadway stardom later that year as Juno in "Helen Goes to Troy" and a Metropolitan audition of the air in 1945 are only a few of the activities which have left the comely singer breathless.

This young artist looks more like a college beauty queen than the serious musician she really is. She confesses that her one weakness is clothes.

Rosalind Nadell has two dreams at present—one is to become the finest mezzo-soprano in America and the other is to have a retreat high in the White mountains. Both press and public agree that she is well on her way toward realization of the first.

Student Council Brings Cossacks

Students were given an opportunity last week to hear the famous General Platoff Don Cossack chorus when it was brought to Monroe under the sponsorship of the Student council of N. J. C.

Money derived from the concert will be applied to a fund which will be used to erect a war memorial to students of Northeast Junior College who gave their lives in the service of their country during World War II.

The Don Cossacks gave a splendid show, with their inspired singing of Russian church music, folk melodies, Cossack war songs and the latest songs to come out of Soviet Russia. There also were the Cossack dances for which the chorus is famous, especially the "Leskinka." The spectacle of a dancer juggling 12 knives from forehead, shoulders and clenched teeth is startling enough to hold any audience breathless.

While the Don Cossack chorus was not organized as a chapel choir, the composition of its personnel is distinctly so. Most of the singers, emigres from Russia living in Prague after the first World War, received their early training in the cathedrals of pre-Soviet Russia, and their approach to all of their church music has a religious note which impressed the audience.

Although most of the songs presented were of a religious or serious nature, a humorous one entitled, (Continued on page four)

Martha Carroll Made B.S.U. Head

Martha Carroll, Monroe freshman, was named president of the Baptist Student union, campus organization.

Other officers include Betty Lou Kirk, Rayville, membership vice-president; Kathryn Harrington, Graymont, Georgia, director of social and recreational play; Mattie Frances Gilmore, devotional director; Janet Craun, West Monroe, secretary; Alice Jones, West Monroe, treasurer. Jo Layne Jarrell, West Monroe, was chosen publicity chairman.

Rev. C. S. Cadwallader, pastor of the College Pace Baptist church serves as pastor adviser of the organization, and A. L. Tatum assists as faculty sponsor.

At the meeting on Tuesday, November 27, plans were made for a banquet which is to be held in the near future. Hostesses for the occasion will be members of the Women's Missionary society of the First Baptist church.

Meetings are held in room 100, Fine Arts building on the second and fourth Tuesdays. The organization is open for memberships.

E. H. S. Discusses Current Affairs

Current topics featured at the regular meeting of the E.H.S. club December 3, resulted in one of the best programs in the history of the organization, according to Dr. W. R. Hammond, sponsor.

"United States aid to China in the Civil War" was discussed by Fred Higginbotham, who pointed out that the aid is in the form of supplies, not armed forces. James Perry reviewed the book, *One World in the Making*, by Ralph Perry.

The subject of compulsory military training was introduced by Alice Jones, who debated the negative side of the question. She stressed education as a solution, suggesting that money spent for military training could be spent wisely for education. Opposition was offered by Marvin DuBos who declared that compulsory training is necessary, and supported his theory by emphasizing self defense. A general discussion of the subject followed.

In the absence of the president and vice-president, Helen Harris, secretary, was in charge of the business section of the meeting. It was decided to have a party in the gymnasium on January 16. Plans for the event are in the tentative stage.

Jane Miller Is W. A. A. Prexy

Jane Miller has been elected president of the Women's Athletic association for this school year. Other officers chosen at the organization meeting November 28 are Sybil Livingston, vice-president; Elizabeth Adkins, secretary-treasurer, and Elizabeth Nick, reporter.

This organization was inaugurated in the fall of 1936 under the sponsorship of Miss Ada Beas Hart, instructor in health and physical education for women. The purpose of the W.A.A. is to provide a medium for the practical training and development of the health of women students.

Not only do the members of the association take part in conducting the gym class intramurals, but they also sponsor the annual Northeast Louisiana basketball tournament, Play Day and tournaments in which high schools of this section participate.

Indians Named Southern Junior College Champs

Tribe Scores Win Over Champions

Sparked by the offensive runs of Walter Johnson and Andrew Craft, plus the sparkling defensive play of the entire Indian line, the Malonemen scored their season's sixth victory at the expense of the previously unbeaten Holmes Junior college of Goodman, Miss.

Climaxing a first quarter drive, Walter Johnson flashed 30 yards behind superb blocking and deception to the initial tally. Allsworth's try for extra point went wide.

Played to a standstill throughout most of the second quarter, Walter Johnson was again inserted into the lineup and on the last play of the second quarter, shot around left end, picked up speed and raced over for the second touchdown. Allsworth made it 13 with a dropkick.

Coming back strong in the third quarter, Holmes opened up with their vaunted passing attack and scored, making the score 13-6.

But not to be outdone, the Redmen, sparked by Seafort and Craft, scored their third touchdown with Seafort hitting pay dirt.

Craft, who had been gaining consistently throughout the contest, got away for a fourth Indian touchdown

Wails And Wahoos

By Michael M. Evans

With the curtain rung down on the 1945 grid season, several Indian gridsters closed their football careers at N.J.C.

Scheduled to graduate in the spring are Gordon Grant, Floyd Temple, Cecil J. Johnson, Meade Evans, Mal Young, Fred Higginbotham, Stanley Passman and Thomas Sands.

With football at an end this season, Coach James L. Malone has issued a call for all cage aspirants. Practice is being held daily in the local gym, and Malone has expressed hope for a successful season.

In the last regular N.J.C. cage season, which was in 1942, the Indians won 21 games and dropped only one. Thrice the N.J.C. team ran up scores over the century mark.

midway in the last quarter to make the score 25-6.

Again the Holmes team opened up with a barrage of passes and scored on the last play of the game.

The Indian line played brilliantly with Moore, Van, Sands, Perry, Temple and Young leading the way.

Selman Defeats Indians, 12 to 0

The Selman Field Cyclones, crowned Louisiana Service champions, invaded Brown stadium with the idea of trouncing the James L. Malone Indians. But it took the Cyclone fliers several plays to realize they were in for a tough time.

Selman dominated the first quarter but stalled on the goal line twice by virtue of the stout Northeast defense.

In the second quarter the Indians dominated the action on offensive thrusts of Andy Craft. "Johnny" Johnson, Bernie Seafort, James Macbeth and Michael Evans. As the half ended, the Tribesmen were on Selman's five yard line after a 30 yard gallop by Walter Johnson.

Superior reserves began to tell as the third quarter rolled on, and Bob Sandberg, ex-Minnesota ace, romped over from the 21 yard line. The extra point went wide.

The Indians fought back savagely throughout the remainder of the contest, but the highly touted and much heavier Selman eleven scored again on a 30 yard pass from Ensminger to Anderson with two minutes to play.

The entire N.J.C. team played inspired ball throughout the rough contest but succumbed to superior forces.

Standouts for the Indians were Andy Craft, "Johnny" Johnson, Clyde Patton and the entire line with Bernie Van replacing C. P. Moore, Floyd Van, Tommy Sands, Floyd Temple, James Perry, Bob Robinson and Mal Young.

The Indians were without the services of Charles Moore, standout end all season, who was down with the flu.

Erskine Currie Is Chess Champ

Erskine Currie has emerged from the battles of this year's chess tournament as victor and new N.J.C. champion. The contest, directed by Mrs. Gertrude M. Brown, is an annual affair.

Finals were played off between Erskine and Ansel Smith. After two of the games, with one victory for each, Ansel conceded the third game and the championship to Erskine.

Homer Cook, with three losses and five gains, shoved George Mallet and Edward Brown into a tie for fourth place. Fifth place is also a tie, between Leo Miles and Ernest Gray. Paul Brooks, who got off to a flying start but ended with four losses, claims sixth place.

One of the features of the tournament was that June Wright, sister of Dorothy Wright who was champ of '43, entered the contest.

Others participating included Donald Logan, Roy Wilson and Ed Clark.

By defeating all junior college foes this season, Coach James L. Malone was notified last week that the N.J.C. tribesmen were declared Southern Junior college champions.

Hanging up a record of six wins against two losses, the Indians defeated all junior college teams faced and lost only to Arkansas Tech, a four-year school and Selman field, Louisiana service champs.

Opening the season against the Henderson State Reddies of Arkansas, the Indians pushed across two touchdowns and came away with a 12-0 win.

Cage Practice Gets Underway

Coach James L. Malone was greeted by 35 cage aspirants Monday evening. He declared that the loopsters would be rapidly rounded into shape and a squad of from 12-15 players would dress for games.

Returning from the 1942-43 team are Meade Evans, Tom Sands and Mal Young. Max Morgan was a letterman on last year's informal five.

Striving for places on the squad are: John King, Cecil Johnson, Jesse York, Walter Johnson, Harry Allsworth, Glenn Gossett, Charles Tillman, Gene Roberts and James Macbeth.

The Indians will play a twenty-game schedule which will open in late December.

Instructors Go

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hands. The average salary for all teachers in the 1944-45 session was \$1,683, Reeves said, but "real" salary computed on the basis of four years unpaid college work followed by 35 years employment was only \$1,486.

Take Second Win

In quest of their second triumph, N.J.C. played host to the Merchant Marine Midshipmen school of Pass Christian, Miss., and only after a bruising battle did the Malonemen emerge victorious.

Traveling to Arkansas Tech, a gallant local team battled the Wonder Boys on even terms through the first half, but fell victim to a score on a pass and a pass interception in the third and fourth quarter respectively.

Defeat McNeese Cowboys

On the rebound of their Arkansas Tech defeat, the Indians ran roughshod over a highly touted John McNeese Junior college team, Lake Charles, to enhance their reputation in junior college circles.

Copiah-Lincoln Junior college of Mississippi, always a tough Indian foe, invaded Brown stadium with the idea of romping off to a win. But the Malone coached squad had other ideas and trounced the Wolves by a score of 20-0, to chalk up their fourth win.

Traveling to Lake Charles for the John McNeese homecoming, the Indians found a revamped Cowboy eleven facing them. With their prestige at stake and still humiliated by their previous trouncing, the McNeese men were out for an upset win. Only after a hard battle did the Indians emerge the winner by a score of 12-0.

It was then announced that the winner of the forthcoming N.J.C.-Holmes contest would be seriously contended as Southern Junior college champs.

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Indians Named

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Beat Miss. Champs

Holmes came from their lair in Mississippi with the idea of returning with the Indians' scalp, but the Malonemen also had ideas and went on to cement their convictions. Breaking up a devastating passing attack, and completely stalling their ground game, the fleet Indian backs scored four touchdowns through gaping holes opened by their hard blocking teammates. When the smoke had cleared, the final count was N. J. C. 26—Holmes 12.

After this impressive win, the Indians had to wait for the outcome of the Holmes-Hinds Junior college contest to decide the southern title holders.

In the meantime, Malone was busy whipping his charges into shape for what loomed as the year's toughest encounter.

Lose to Selman

The powerful, star-laden Selman field Cyclones, sparked by ex-college aces, invaded the N.J.C. campus with the idea of trouncing the Indian eleven.

But again the tribe, sparked by a hard charging line and group of fast backs, showed their tenacity by completely outplaying the much heavier Cyclones throughout the first half by making two serious touchdown threats.

In the second half the college boys succumbed to sheer weight and numbers and were counted on twice by virtue of these odds.

With Holmes already defeated by Northeast Junior college, only Hinc's stood in the Indians' way for claimant of the Southern Junior college toga. They were automatically eliminated in their scoreless tie with Holmes last week.

Home Ec. Majors Give Coffee Hour

Students majoring in home economics recently played hostesses to the faculty and staff at an informal coffee hour in the department in Brown Hall.

The refreshment table, covered with a lace curtain, was centered with a bowl of yellow chrysanthemums. At one end coffee was served from a handsome silver service by Violet Tullos, president of the Home Economics club. The other end held a large silver tray containing a variety of confections.

Serving as hostesses were: Kate Parham, Lindie Russell, Ruby Mae Gurthie, Lillie Marie Norwood, Zilpha Copes, Walterine Brewton, Violet Tullos, Doris Braswell, Daisie Belle Terral, Kathryn Gregory, Edith Bott, Nettigene Williams, Katherine Doles, Dorothy Dillon, Jeanette Reynolds, Mattie Lee Hixon and Jessie Verrett.

Student Council

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"Song of the Flea" proved a favorite with the audience. This number was accompanied by several strange "sound effects" from members of the chorus.

The program was concluded by a Russian tribute to Americans—the singing of our national anthem.

Back stage after the performance the Russian singers proved very friendly, and eagerly engaged in conversation. One member of the group complained of Louisiana weather to an N.J.C. coed, and questioned her concerning the amount of snow fall here. He seemed disappointed when he learned there wasn't enough snow to permit the use of ice skates.



This quartet of student journalists from four colleges was named to head the Louisiana Collegiate Press association for the 1945-46 session at the first postwar meeting of the organization held recently on the campus of Northwestern State college, Natchitoches. New officers of the press group are, left to right, Lois Smith, Louisiana college, president; Richard L. Dean, Northwestern State, first vice-president; Mildred Wehrli, Southeastern Louisiana college, secretary-treasurer, and Beverly Bogan, Northeast Junior college, second vice-president.

Noel Coward's

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title role, exists in the spiritual world and is summoned back to earth by the mysterious seance-holder, Madam Arcati, portrayed by Juanita Ferguson. Elvira, the spiritual spouse, who is the cause of all the trouble, can only be seen and heard by Charles. Since Elvira is invisible or nonexistent to everyone but Charles, all the retorts made by Charles to Elvira seem as direct insults to his second wife, Ruth, played by Yvonne Lusk. Fred Rinehart and Launa Volk appeared as Dr. and Mrs. Bradman. Gene Smith was excellent as Edith, the maid.

The play also proved that the process of adaptation is definitely important since Malcolm as Charles, must resign himself to the fact that he is a bigamist. "Possessing two wives may be all right," Malcolm grinned, "but I can't help admitting I felt a distinct relief to be rid of both of them. Two wives make a fellow's life kinda' hectic."

Bonnie Holloway took a different view, however. She declared that heckling poor Charles was great fun, especially since nobody but Charles could see the ghostly part of the eternal triangle, Elvira. "Why, I could get away with murder. Brrrr! Did I say murder?" Bonnie shivered, "Oh, well, I'm a ghost anyway, and you know, I find the spirit world very entertaining."

Wig and Maskers Have Social Meet

A social program keynoted the regular bi-weekly meeting of the Wig and Mask club on November 28.

James McBeth, accompanied by Miss Gertrude Sandrock, voice instructor, rendered "Without a Song" and "Smilin' Through." Juanita Ferguson, speech major, read two poems "Invictus" by Henley and "Sea Fever" by John Masefield. Malcolm Steen read the ever-popular "Annabelle Lee" by Poe.

The business part of the program included a discussion of meeting time. It was decided to change the hour from 7 to 6:30 p.m. for the benefit of dormitory girls.

New Church Holds Service on Campus

Northeast Junior college is presently serving as a meeting place for the congregation of the College Place Baptist church, and will continue to do so until the erection of the permanent building on Sherrouse avenue is accomplished.

Sunday services, in addition to the regular morning worship hour, which begins at 10:50 a.m., are Bible school at 9:45 a.m., Training union at 6:15 p.m., and evening worship at 7 p.m. The holding of these services on the campus makes it very convenient for Baptist students living in the dormitory to attend.

Anna Lee Bedwell was appointed social committee chairman.

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