H. B. Wilder Wins District Debate

Hubert Boone Wilder, representative of the Institute in the annual intercollegiate debate contest sponsored by the American Economic Foundation, has been announced as the winner in the district elimination finals which were held at San Antonio on March 14. Four students were chosen and among them was Wilder who received first prize of $50 for his constructive speech. Participating with him was Mary Frances Wilder, B.C.C.W., whom he defeated. Those representing the negative were Harold Rutz, of Van- derbilt University, and Carpent Beav- er, from Rollin College in Florida, who was eliminated.

Thirty-six students, two of whom were chosen to present the effec- tive and two for the negative, participated in this manner throughout the nation in the district debate. The 18 winners have filled complete manuscript of the addresses of seven and one-half minutes with the American Economic Foundation in New York City.

Winning Speech

The winning speech will be: "Social Security Legislation as a Challenge to the American College Student." The speech will be written by a group of ten students and submitted to the American Economic Foundation for publication.

Victory Garden

Fresh Vegetables Will Be Provided For Dormitory Boys in the Fall

A giant victory garden, already plowed on the hill campus and ready for seed will provide the Dining Halls with fresh vegetables next fall, W. C. Hardy, manager of the dormitories, announced recently.

Since the recent shortage of can- did, frozen, well-hydrated products, the OPA regulations have cut the dillling ration of processed food to twenty-five percent of the amount formerly used. The produce raised on Rice Bowl south of Chemistry building, is intended to supply the needed seven-five percent of the crop and will be available first to the Hill Campus and other campuses where records were made of the addresses. These will be used in the fall when the crops are ready along with the debates in New York."
What’s Wrong With School Spirit?

My association with students of the Institute since the opening of this year has led me to believe that there are a number of things wrong with our school spirit and school pride. As the year passes, it seems there are more indications toward the same fact. First of all, there seems to be no help given by the majority of students to the campus publications. A good instance of this is the Thresher itself. Students are eager to volunteer criticisms of the Thresher, yet in spite of the fact that bond and stamp sales are still lagging, and the fact that a number of the Institute's high school students have made a much better showing at some of these lectures than our own students, it seems that we must be too close to true interest in campus life. As a matter of fact, polls in the primary elections and less than half turned in their vote in the campus elections. There are two pieces of evidence for this statement that might as well be swept out the old ones as well as the new. The apparent lack of interest by the students is the Thresher itself. Students are eager to volunteer criticisms of the Thresher, yet in spite of the fact that a number of the Institute’s high school students have made a much better showing at some of these lectures, and in spite of the fact that a number of the Institute’s students are making more of an effort to attend these lectures, the Thresher itself is the least informed and interesting piece of literature that would make the Thresher an ideal publication to their eyes.

Second complaint I have is the relative lack of interest by the students in campus elections. There are two pieces of evidence for this statement that cannot be refuted. In the first place, there are a number of positions which should be filled this spring for which one or no persons have submitted their nominations. Some of the most important positions in school, including several of the major offices, have no candidates in the coming election. The other factor in this lack of interest is the light vote forecast for the general elections by the freshmen elections. Out of some 400 first-yearmen on the campus who were eligible to vote, only slightly over half appeared at the polls in the primary elections and less than half turned in their vote in the run-offs.

The third matter which the writer feels should be dealt with is that of the Sunday Afternoon Lecture Series which will terminate this coming Sunday and other lectures which are held on the campus. Interesting as these lectures have been, and in spite of the fact that a number of the Institute's most informed and interesting speakers have taken a great deal of time and trouble to present talks that would be intelligible to the layman, a very few students have taken the opportunity of enjoying them. As a matter of fact, high school students have made a much better showing at some of these lectures than we ourselves have. It seems that we must be too close to true learning and culture to really appreciate it.

It is said that one of the purposes of editorials is to point out evils with an eye toward CORRECTING them. With that endeavor in view, I shall continue.

It probably sounds silly, I fear, to raise the axe again to mention the fact that bond and stamp sales are still lagging, yet in spite of the fact that the Houstonians have been operating every school day through rain and snow weather, however, as long as we are stepping evils out of the corners, we might as well sweep out the old ones as well as the new. The apparent lack of interest in the Red Cross Drive, divestment of the campus in the March of Dimes drive two months ago, which, incidentally, operates the whole year, leaves but a few of the failings of the Institute student body as a whole.

S.D.K.

ELECT

BILL SKIPWITH
SEC.-TREAS.
STUDENT ASSOCIATION
JR. REP. TO STUD. COUNCIL

ELECT

VOTE FOR
Beth Hummel
Virginia Arnold
Estelle Lindsey
for
STUDENT COUNCIL

ELECT

MOLLIE ALEXANDER
JR. REP. STUDENT COUNCIL

ELECT

VOTE FOR
TOM BROWNLEE
SEC.-TREAS.
STUDENT COUNCIL

The campus is wondering whose Mudge file is in the Kiki Bullock-Bryant office. Mudge was said to have streaked to陡ick headquarters to visit Dick Jones—he bulb! Bill has found time in the last week—"exam" she claims—"Can't read them any more."—S.D.K.

Among Those celebrating Sunday Winter's birthday day at the Empire Room last Tuesday night were Nippy Powell, Tommy Brown, Pat Cody, Jane Hill, Betty Smith, Betty Whitten, and Beauty Brown.

EIGHTWATER

ELECT

JANE LINDSEY
SR. REP.
JR. ASOC.

ELECT

VOTE FOR
LEONARD HARRIS
SEC.-TREAS.
JR. ASOC.

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ELECT

JUNE BILLS
VICE-PRES.
SR. CLASS

ELECT

MARGIE STROUP
VICE-PRES.
SO. CLASS

ELECT

JOHN LIGON
for
COUNCILMAN AT LARGE

ELECT

MARGARET MURPHY
VICE-PRES.
JUNIORS

ELECT

BETTY LEE SECOR
VICE-PRES.
JR. CLASS

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CHARGE: ACCOUNTS INVITED
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The Texas A&M series, originally scheduled for March 28 and 27, has been postponed until April 6 and 7. Several of the Aggie players were called up by the army for a few days so Coach Grigg nominal to re-set the series till the 6th and 7th to allow the Aggies to regain their strength.

The series starting April 2 will be the circuit for Texas and Rice. The Longhorns have played practice games but the Owls have not. Coach Grigg seems to like the way his outfield is looking but several positions in the infield have been weak spots.

With Bobby Trench on third base that position is well set. Vincent "Prexy" Buckley is looking like a million dollars and second base are the weak spots so far. Grigg has been using J. W. Mauro, junior, Reiling and John Notting in second base and it's a wide open race for the position.

Fred Jacob, Billy Willard, and John Fox have been working at the first base job as yet Grigg has not setched at starter. The Owls will have in the outfield three boys capable of doing a good job in any sort of competition. Bill Sheehan, a long ball hitter with lots of power, is in left field. Team Captain Elwood Yarb is in center. Yarb is a fielder anyone can handle the stick against all sorts of bunting. He is the only left hander in the starting lineup. Pete Sluitt rounds out the outfield and holds up the outfield average both at bat and field.

Byron Ryan, a curve ball right hander, John Plumley, and John Fox compose the mound corps and with some warm weather they should develop into three pretty fair club hitters.
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Elect

LARRY MILLS
SEC-TREAS.
JUNIOR CLASS

Why is the malnourished so important in Martha Shaw Bailey's life?

The letter wouldn't come from a boy whose last name begins with Glid-

Hanes; it would? . . . Edwina Novauss the need went voicing when Pattee asked her if she liked all her grown up... .

Recent and future voyages of the true loves, Justine to Kerrville, Flesh to Austin, and Whiting to see her Jack and who inspired Bob McCoo's jump to Dallas (Watch out Dottie)... .

Betsy Ann has finally given up on Nowlin and is starting in on Noble. . . . Mary Joe is singing because dwell came back for awhile unhappy about Puckhman, pleased about Flett, and confused about Stanley... . As always there remains

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CHARLES
ATKINSON
SEC-TREAS.
SOPH. CLASS

EDWIN
BRYAN
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SOPH. CLASS

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BUCKLEY
PRESIDENT
JUNIOR CLASS

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