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A Visitor from the Land of India October 23rd

Boone J. C. is fortunate in obtaining a very interesting personality for a speaking engagement for our United Nations festivities October 23rd.

Mr. Bhagwat Prasad Singh, from India, and recently from the United States, has accepted an invitation to visit our school and talk on "India-American Relations."

Mr. Singh received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Patna University, Patna, Bihar, India (1930), and the Master of Arts degree in Journalism from Iowa University in 1949. He has taught in junior and senior high schools in his native India, and also worked with several newspapers prior to his departure to the U. S. A. in 1947.

Mr. Singh has written for several Indian newspapers since arriving and was later a research assistant at the Information Service of the Embassy of India in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Singh is presently doing graduate work at Iowa U. and teaches classes on India while collecting material for a book entitled, "What We Can Learn from Americans."

We are all looking forward to his visit and know we will hear some interesting information on India.

Student Organizations

One of several fine student organizations in B. J. C. is the liberal arts group which was started last semester to promote an interest among the students pursuing the 'Artes Liberales' and to help all students understand and appreciate the values and creative principles of our cultural heritage.

In co-operation with the Adult Evening School this group sponsors a classic film series which will be starting soon. Don't fail to attend.

Another group organized last year was the pre-engineering students' association. The purpose of this group is to promote interest and appreciation of the potentials of an engineering career.

Last year this group had many ambitious students who helped make this a worthwhile project. This year, however, does not show the promise of last year. A meeting was scheduled several weeks ago and absolutely no one attended. As you can see, this attendance can be improved.

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.

—Lord Brougham.

Birth of a Newspaper

After days of locked doors, brainstorming, policy-making, Madison Avenue sessions, a towering accomplishment looms over B. J. C.—the new, glossy, 'Bear Facts' is born.

The fledgling staff emerges from the journalistic delivery room mopping rivers of perspiration from the visors of their green eye-shades. The decision they've just made has drained the energy from their once virile bodies. The question was, "Shall we continue our faintly duplicated and hastily stamped news sheet or shall we begin a commercially printed newspaper supported by advertising?" Hours of debate and hand-to-hand combat followed the statement of this question and finally a scholarly shout arose from every throat, "Uh, huh. We should oughta print our paper."



Elite Staff

Our staff was selected with great care. Dick Duncan was the biggest and strongest, so he became the editor-in-chief. Norman Manges possessed the cunning of a fox, so he was a natural for business manager. It was rumored that Dan Corrick once peddled Frigidaires among the igloos—hence, he became advertising manager. Nancy McCambridge held the august distinction of being the only staff member who had ever worked on a newspaper or even read one. She was directed to spy on the college administration. After Dick Byerly pledged never to mention his own accomplishments on the basketball court he was appointed sports editor. John Jacobson, elderly sports editor of the old, purple, non-glossy 'Bear Facts,' was thrown into collaboration with Sherwood (Pete) Selim to report activity news. John was also put in charge of our entire circulation staff (himself). Elna Reedholm (special advisor to the sports editor) was named co-ordinator from the education department and sneaky, prying, roving reporter. Larry Bergloff was directed to stand by and handle anything no one else could manage.

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Progressives Crush Opposition Party

Several weeks ago you might have noticed a great deal of wallpapering being done in the halls of the J. C. building. This work done by student candidates and their friends was the biggest share of campaigning done for this year's student body offices.

If you have studied the designs on this wallpaper you might have distinguished figures such as: Edna Pritchard and Rich Byerly for president; Don Smith and Dave Dearing for vice-president; Vesta Jo Woodvine and Jay Peterson for secretary; and Mervin Eastberg and Jack Robertson as candidates for the office of treasurer.

This paperhanging and hornblowing contest culminated (ended) in an election on Wednesday, September 25th.

The winners, all of the Progressive Collegiate Party, were Edna, Dave, Vesta, and Jack.

In a statement to the student body Mrs. Pritchard thanked them for their support and promised to try to effect better parking facilities and improved social events for Boone J. C.

Edna also wanted to thank her campaign managers and Bill Ross Motors for the use of their 1957 convertible for the campaign.

With the co-operation of the students we feel sure that our new president will make this an enjoyable year in Boone J. C.

A pessimist is one who makes difficulties of his opportunities; an optimist is one who makes opportunities of his difficulties.

—Vice-Admiral Mansell, R. N.

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Quiet Please! Editor Speaks

We of the staff of the new glossy 'Bear Facts' hope you will derive some enjoyment from our new glossy paper.

It is written by and for the student body and our policy is that while the paper should be informative, it should also be entertaining.

I would like also to state here, for future clarification, that any similarity in any of our articles to any persons, living or dead, is purely intentional. All complaints should be filed neatly in the box provided for this purpose which is conveniently located next to the education building between the engineering annex and the chemistry building. Absolutely no malice will be held by the staff toward these above mentioned soreheads.

We hope also that you will pass this paper on to other members of your family and students of other colleges.

We feel sure that it will make people think twice about our school!... After thinking it over maybe you'd just better burn your copy before it gets out of the building. A box of matches will be placed in the press building for this purpose.

Until next month then, hang by your thumbs.

The Editor.

"I shall now illustrate what I have on my mind," said the professor as he erased the blackboard.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
I have just finished visiting your fine J. C. and I wish to tell you how much I enjoyed it.

I think it's a novel idea to have water flowing from your drinking fountains at just the right temperature for shaving. I have not heard of any other J. C. with this much imagination.

I also thought your knee-high blackboards are a good idea in case anyone gets tired of standing he can sit down and write.

I hope I will be able to return soon.
Percival Titius Sebastian.

Enrollment Facts

Hey, girls! Here's your chance. The freshman boys outnumber the girls three to one with eight left over. Seventy-two is the total number of freshmen. Statistics show that of this number there are 11 women in the elementary education courses, five women and 40 men in liberal arts, and 16 men in pre-engineering.

The sophomore class is made up of 16 women and 17 men; 15 women and one man are in the elementary education course; one woman and six men are in the liberal arts course; and 10 men are in the pre-engineering course. This makes a total of 33 sophomeres.

Of the 105 Boone J. C. students, 61 are new this year. Thirty-one of the new students are Boone High graduates.

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- Name?
- Name used in last school attended?
- What was salary at last school attended?
- What have you been offered from other schools?
- Shall you expect more than you received last year?
- Less?
- How often do you expect new pictures and feature stories of yourself?
- Do you have your own press agent?
- Do you photograph well?
- Can you write your own autograph?
- What time will it be convenient for you to attend school?
- Will you be in school after the basketball season? If not, where should we send your weekly check?

Plan Improvements for J. C. Library

It won't be too long before the students of Boone J. C. will be seeing the college library get a major overhaul.

One plan, to be carried out later, calls for the hall adjacent to the library to be divided into three separate study enclosures. There is also to be shelving installed along the west wall and northeast corner which will provide space for approximately 1,550 books and periodicals.

Three rectangular tables are to be located parallel to the book shelves and a circular table will be placed in the northeast corner of the library. Four additional lounge chairs will also be installed.

A new charge desk, card catalog, and a book truck complete the major improvements.

With these improvements everyone can better enjoy the multitudinous bliss found only in a library, as we all know (SIGH).

Progressive business men advertise in the 'Bear Facts.'

History of a Joke

Birth: A freshman thinks it up and chuckles with glee, waking up two fraternity men in back row.

Age five minutes: Freshman tells senior who answers, "Yeah, it's funny, but I've already heard it."

Age one day: Senior turns it in to college humor mag.

Age 10 days: Editor has to fill mag., prints joke.

Age one month: Thirteen college comics reprint joke.

Age three years: 'Bear Facts' reprints joke as original.

Age three years, one month: College humor mag. reprints joke crediting it to 'Bear Facts.'

Age 10 years: Seventy-three radio comedians discover joke simultaneously, tell it accompanied by howls of mirth from boys in the orchestra.

Age 20 years: Joke reprinted in 'Readers' Digest.'

Age about 100 years: Professor starts telling it to class.

The exchange of Christmas gifts ought to be reciprocal rather than retaliatory.

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Harmonizing Tones

On Tuesday nights, in the speech room at Boone Junior College, it is quite possible to hear four very lovely, harmonious voices emanating (coming) from four enthusiastic students. The voices belong to Pat Saylor (star of the performance), Vesta Jo Woodvine, Dean Dittmer, and Dan Corrick. Incidentally (meaning by the way) for all and any future performances, the mixed quartet plans to have Dan Siegler, student of Boone High School, act as the accompanist.

On Tuesday nights these students hold a short meeting, not to practice, but to simply blend their voices in wonderful tones; pleasurable to all.

Open Letter to Roy Acuff

Dear Roy,

Alas and alack, I have bad news for you. Your fine hillbilly band has long been the best, but I'm afraid you will be seriously challenged this year by the B. J. C. Hillbilly Band.

Their leader, Lawrence Frederick, says there are seven or eight members already clamoring to play their first engagement (as yet unannounced). Mr. Frederick is also leaving the door open for anyone who can beg, borrow, or invent an instrument, to join his esteemed orchestral group.

So, Roy, if you decide to turn in your musician's card, I don't blame you, for after all there is room for only one at the top.

'Hank' Snow.

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Money Needed

After our organization was complete, Sunstrom-Miller Press informed the staff that it would be necessary to pay money for printing the glossy 'Bear Facts.' Still reeling from this revelation, the advertising manager appointed a high-powered sales force of B. J. C.'s best: Vesta Jo Woodvine, Enid Anderson, 'Sandy' Chance, Dave Dearing, Reuben Kristianson, and Sherwood Selim. Their motto is: "You don't wanta buy an ad, do you?"

A Toast

That completes the story of the birth of a newspaper and although we are swept away by grandiose visions of 'Bear Facts' in the future, we are still cognizant that if it weren't for Joyce Larson, Pat Saylor, and the other students responsible for the old 'Bear Facts,' this paper wouldn't be here today. To these founders of our newspaper, the college administration, faculty members, student body, and advertisers who have faith in us, we dedicate this issue of 'Bear Facts.'

Both Pritchards Hold

F. T. A. Offices

Last spring at the Southwest Regional F. T. A. meeting at Simpson College, Edna Pritchard was elected president for this year.

Edna, our newly elected student body president, will have charge of all the regional meetings this year. The first meeting coming up is the fall conference at Creston College, Monday, October 21st. All the Delta Tau members are going to the conference to let Edna know they're behind her all the way.

In the election for the presidency for the local chapter of the Delta Tau, Don Pritchard was elected.

Both Edna and Don are very capable people, and we wish them success in their new positions.

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