

# THE BEAR FACTS

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## "THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION"

More than three centuries ago, the Pilgrims, after a year of hardship and peril, humbly and reverently set aside a special day upon which to give thanks to God for their preservation and for the good harvest from the virgin soil upon which they had labored. Grave and unknown dangers remained. Yet by their faith and by their toil they had survived the rigors of the harsh New England winter. Hence they paused in their labors to give thanks for the blessing that had been bestowed upon them by Divine Providence.

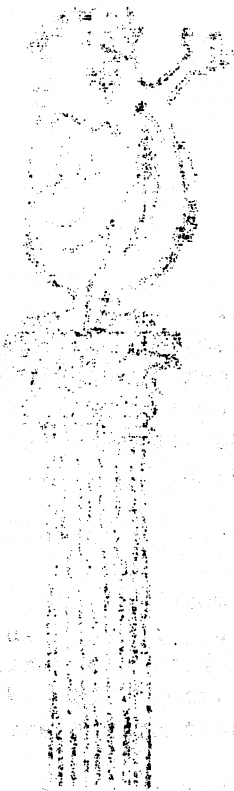
This year, as the harvest draws near its close and the year approaches its end, awesome perils again remain to be faced. Yet we have, as in the past, ample reason to be thankful for the abundance of our blessings. We are grateful for the blessings of faith and health and strength and for the imperishable spiritual gifts of love and hope. We give thanks, too, for our freedom as a nation; for the strength of our arms and the faith of our friends; for the beliefs and confidence we share; for our determination to stand firmly for what we believe

to be right and to resist mightily what we believe to be base; and for the heritage of liberty bequeathed by our ancestors which we are privileged to preserve for our children and our children's children.

I urge all citizens to make this Thanksgiving not merely a holiday from their labors, but rather a day of contemplation. I ask the head of each family to recount to his children the story of the first New England Thanksgiving, thus to impress upon future generations the heritage of this nation born in toil, in danger, in purpose, and in the conviction that right and justice and freedom can through man's efforts preserve and come to fruition with the blessing of God.

Let us observe this day with reverence and with prayer that will re-ignite in us the will and show us the way not only to preserve our blessings, but also to extend them to the four corners of the earth. Let us by our example, as well as by our material aid, assist all peoples of all nations who are striving to achieve a better life in freedom.

JOHN F. KENNEDY



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As your Dean, my greatest concern is that you will continue in your education. Do not make education a continuous sacrifice, then an insurmountable shallowness will inevitably result which spells only doom for our society. As Goethe stated many years ago: "There is nothing more terrifying than inaction."

Three dimensions constitute the vehicle in which we make this educational journey. They are, in the order of their importance, hard work, study and sacrifice. To my knowledge, there are no substitutes in this mission you have set for yourselves.

It is my sincere hope that in your experiences in B.S.T. you will transcend your minds from the confinement of little-mindedness and that the eye of your soul will be turned toward light.

Clair E. Abbott  
Dean

EDITOR'S NOTE: A motion was made and carried at the student council meeting of November 19 concerning the Dean's admit policy. Council members urged the retraction of the policy. Since the meeting, the Dean has lifted the temporary policy and returned the matter to the discretion of the individual instructors.

# TALKING IT OVER

Upon posing this question, "Now that you have been at Boone Junior College for nine weeks, has your opinion of BJC or college in general changed from any ideas you might have had before entering last August?" this reporter found that of the ten freshmen answering, 70% have changed their ideas about BJC and college in general.

Responses to the question follow:

Charlie Hammond: "I thought it would be a lot rougher. I could stand to study harder, though. I like BJC better than high school, there's more freedom."

Sheila Anondson: "It's not as bad as everybody said it would be. Improvements have been made on the building in the last year which have helped a great deal."

Keene Pickrel: "I thought BJC would be easy, so I decided to get a job. However, I found that it isn't as easy to hold the job and keep my studies up as I thought. From this I got a higher opinion of the college."

Jane McCaskey: "It's easier than I thought it would be. I like it better than high school."

Bill Weir: "I didn't have any opinions before coming to BJC because I'm from out-of-state (Illinois). But first impressions of the building didn't impress me too much. However, I had a good recommendation of BJC from the admission's director at ISU saying that the building was not good but the quality of education that comes from these facilities was outstanding."

Diane Deane: "I like BJC. It's harder than I thought it would be. I think they need to improve the building more, but we're here to gain an education."

Connie Moritz: "No, my opinion has not changed. I knew that junior college wouldn't be like a four year institution and of course it would not be like high school."

Rene Poyzer: "No, my opinion has not changed. I had anticipated that much studying would be involved. Students last year told me there was a friendly atmosphere among the students and teachers. One thing I'm disappointed about is the lack of interest among the student body to support our college."

Carolyn McDermott: "Yes, my opinion has changed. It's more fun than I thought. I have to do more studying though, than I thought I would."

Alan Schroeder: "Yes, my attitude has changed. At first I thought it was a small insignificant college until I went down to Drake and they told me that BJC was the best two-year college in central Iowa. There is a real homey atmosphere and you are not just a number, but an individual."

## CAMPUS COMEDY



"...Well, that's my opinion. I won't expect you to remember it for the test, but you can take it for what it's worth."

## BITS AND PIECES

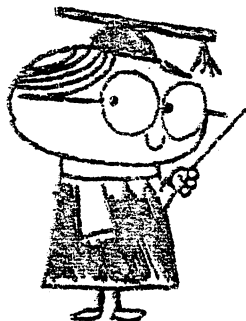
Dean Abbott is receiving therapy treatments at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines. He will be a patient at least through Wednesday, November 25.

Five members of Mr. Hartley's accounting class attended the tax seminar at the Savery Hotel in Des Moines this past week.

Any student interested in talking with a representative from Upper Iowa University may check with the office as to when the representative will be here.

Mr. Tillson attended a meeting of the executive board of the Iowa Library Association of which he is treasurer. He flew to Cedar Falls

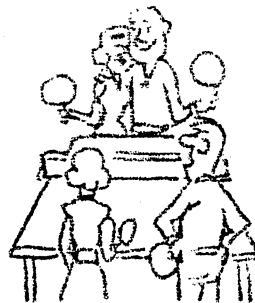
## GETTING WITH THE FACULTY



"Mon Dieu" exclaims one of the teachers when a student makes an inexcusable faux-pas. He is Lyle McCargar, JC's new French instructor.

Mr. McCargar attended Oskaloosa High School as a freshman and sophomore and Newton High as a junior and senior. After graduation his education was furthered at William Penn. College where he received his B. A. degree. His M. A. was attained from the University of Wyoming. He has also taken additional graduate work at Central Connecticut State College at New Britain, Connecticut.

in the governor's plane with Miss Ernestine Grafton, librarian of the State Traveling Library.



"Would you two rather do something else?"

He taught at <sup>\*</sup><sup>\*</sup><sup>\*</sup><sup>\*</sup><sup>\*</sup><sup>\*</sup> Dayton High School for seven years. For the past nine years he taught at Boone High School in the English department and French for six years.

For recreation Mr. McCargar enjoys golf, bowling, eating out, and traveling. His hobbies include reading and writing.

One of his beliefs is: "Anyone who has had no French should learn it in the same way, regardless of whether he is nine years old or ninety. College students as a rule are more mature and in general respond better to the learning situation. However, there are college students who are no more mature than the average high school students. These present problems the same as those presented by anyone who has no self-direction."

Mr. McCargar would like to see Boone Junior College grow and grow, as he knows it will. He is looking forward to seeing the rec room remodeled. He has noted fine improvements already. He feels the greatest JC assets are the student body and the faculty.

## STUDENT COUNCIL DOIN'S

The Student Council, with the help of Dean Abbott and Mrs. Blake, have held regular meetings to plan JC activities as well as JC improvements.

The Council sponsored an informal sweatshirt dance November 6. The dance was held in the recreation room with refreshments served to everyone.

Mr. O'Neill purchased the paint for the snack bar and the council organized work groups to paint the room.

Work day proceeds did not reach the expected goal, however, 60 students turned in a total of \$248. Mahogany wall paneling has been purchased and changes will begin in the rec room soon.

BJC pins are being sold for \$1 by the council and can be purchased in the office.

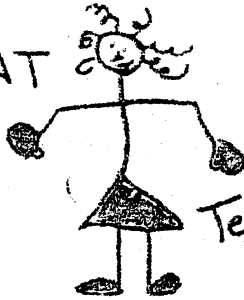
It should be noted by the student body that the council meets at 11:30 on Thursday and if anyone has comments that should be discussed at a meeting they should contact one of the officers or representatives.

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Delta Tau, the BJC chapter of the student Iowa State Education Association has sponsored several recent activities. The group is now looking forward to their Christmas party which will be held in the lounge. The College Christmas tree will be decorated at this time.

Fifty-six high school seniors were guests of Delta Tau at the Prospective Teachers' Day held in the JC on November 9.

During the morning session the students heard ten junior college faculty members speak about career opportunities in their respective fields. Special interest groups met later in the morning.

During the afternoon session the group was entertained by a small program and speeches given by two JC students.

The afternoon also included addresses by Chair Abbott, BJC Representative and Dean, Director of Elementary Education for the Boone Community School District; Gerald Seaton, Assistant, BJC, Des Moines, Administrative Director for Boone County Schools; and by BJC publicity consultant Margaret Blake.

Sixteen Delta Tau members and the group's sponsor, Mrs. Birquist, attended the southwest regional meeting of the Student Iowa State Education Association at Central College, Pella, on November 12. Sponsored by that college's education department and by its students interested in education careers, the conference featured an address given by State Representative Leroy Peterson of Grimes. Entitled "Your government and you", the speech described the various activities of the Iowa legislators.

Many Delta Tau members attended the local meeting held at Boone Junior College Monday evening November 16, when Arthur Blue spoke on "Creativity." Mr. Blue is the psychologist for the Boone Intermediate School District.

All that mankind has  
done, thought, gained or been  
it is lying as in magic  
preservation in the pages of  
books. They are the  
chosen possession of  
MEN.  
- Carlyle

profession, its requirements, jobs to take and those to refuse.

In general it helps the graduate understand his own desires and aims so that he can put himself in the position with the most potential.

The Privacy Invaders by Myron Brenton.

Your privacy is being deliberately and systematically destroyed today. The intimate details of your life are secretly bought, sold, manipulated and exploited by a growing army of private inquirers. They mine your hidden depths, unearthing rich pockets of fact about your job, finances, health, sexual habits and desires, tastes, prejudices and interests. What they discover, how the information is used against us, and how we can fight back are revealed in this disturbing report on one of the most insidious and dangerous phenomena of the twentieth century.

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The Presidents On The Presidency by Arthur Beron Tourtelot.

The Presidents On The Presidency can be read as a brilliant exposition of the development of American political philosophy from Washington to Kennedy, and it is equally useful as a reference work since the book is indexed both by subject and author.

Mr. Tourtelot has provided easy access to valuable material that until the publication of this book, has only been available to those willing and able to read through the voluminous writings of the Presidents.

The following are a few of the many books which are recent additions in our school library:

From College to Career by Adele Lewis and Edith Bobroff.

The book provides guidance for the college graduate who is either undecided about a profession, disillusioned with his opportunities, or disappointed in his present position.

From College to Career particularly emphasizes the communications professions. It gives complete information on the nature of each pro-

What is Poetry? by John Hall Wheelock.

John H. Wheelock, one of the established figures in American poetry and the recipient of many honors, considers the poetry of our time and of other times, the nature of poetry, and our inborn resistance to it. He discovered the relationship between poetry and science as twin forms of knowledge dealing with different aspects of reality. The questions he raises and answers about the special characteristics of contemporary poetry gives an understanding of why it is so often baffling for the untrained reader.

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Speaker's Encyclopedia of Humor collected and edited by Judge Jacob M. Braude.

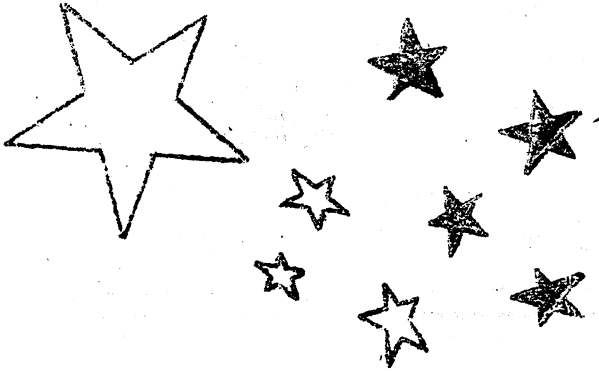
This giant new anthology of humor from the collection of Judge Braude is a goldmine of material for the speech maker, the writer, and the reader who appreciates a genuinely funny story.

Ranging the gamut of topics from absent-mindedness to youth this big volume covers every type of humor from acid epigram to gentle irony, from biting satire to the irreverent "rib".

As Judge Braude's biggest and best collection yet, it supplies vital words and sniffs to use in every conceivable situation.

# STARRY EYED

(Sagittarius: November 23 - December 21; a fire sign ruled by Jupiter. Symbol is the Archer.)



I wish I may  
I wish I might,  
Have the wish  
I wish tonight.

Tell me, star,  
And let me know  
Will I travel far?  
What are the seeds for Fate to sow?

I'll answer you, small mortal,  
For I know all there is  
Since I keep watch from my high  
portal,  
I make your life my biz.

If you were born today,  
You have a tendency to rule.  
Perhaps your life may not be gay,  
But you'll never be another's fool.

Apart from others you will sit,  
But those you love will stay near by  
And never leave you in the thin or  
thick  
To mumble, bumble, moan or cry.

Your love affairs may tumble;  
Your picket may not jingle,  
But your attitude is humble  
And other fortunes will make men  
tingle.

## LIVE YR'S

Boone Junior College experienced one of the latest collegiate fads when the Young Republicans sponsored a car smash in the school's parking lot on October 23. The club received about \$18 from the car smash, but \$3 was spent to replace sledge hammer handles broken by over-enthusiastic participants.

The YR's also sponsored a car wash on October 24, which netted about \$35. The money will be used to finance the sending of local delegates to the state Young Republican's meeting next spring.

Prior to the November 3 election the club helped distribute Republican campaign material in Boone.

On November 14 about 225 youth attended the Elephant Stomp sponsored by the group which was held in the old armory building. The TTal-stars from Boone High School provided the music.

The club is now tentatively planning a sleigh ride this winter.

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## YD'S

The BJC Young Democrats are discussing the possibility of sponsoring a fund-raising exhibition basketball game. The group met in the lounge November 17.

## CAMPUS COMEDY



"There's more between us than mere physical attraction... there has to be."

# — DATES TO REMEMBER —



Nov. 25, Wed.....Classes suspended, 3:30 pm  
Nov. 30, Mon.....Classes resumed  
Dec. 6, Sun.....Delta Tau Christmas Party  
Dec. 22, Tues.....Holiday coffee; classes  
suspended 3:30 pm  
Dec. 23, Wed. through  
Dec. 31, Thurs.....College holidays, office  
closed  
Jan. 4, 1965, Mon.....Classes resumed

## THE FOOTPATH TO PEACE

To be glad of life because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends, and much time as you can with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors....these are the little guide posts on the footpath to peace.

By: Henry van Dyke

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