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English Club Gazette

Western Kentucky State Teachers College

Bowling Green, Kentucky Saturday, May 6, 1939

English Club Holds Banquet Tonight

MINUTE BIOGRAPHY OF OUR SPONSOR

Dr. Gordon Wilson, head of the English Department and sponsor of the English Club, was born in Calloway County. He received his Life Certificate

from Western in 1913 his A. B. from Indiana University in 1915; A. M. from Indiana University in 1924 and his Ph. D. in 1930. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity.



Dr. Wilson began teaching at Western in 1915, has been head of the English Department since 1926 in addition to his work as a teacher of English, Dr. Wilson is nationally known as a student of birds. As an author, he has written "Alexander Wilson: Poet-Essayist-Ornithologist," and editor of "Forward Steps in Writing and Thinking English Series," and is co-editor of "A New English Grammar." At present Dr. Wilson writes a folklore column that appears in many newspapers in Kentucky.

STONECIPHER SPEAKS ON PEGASUS IN KENTUCKY

This evening the members of the English Club and their guests are assembled in the main dining room of the Helm Hotel for their annual banquet. Mr. J. Reid Sterrett, teacher of dramatics and speech, is the toastmaster for the occasion.

Miss Sibyl Stonecipher, of the Latin Department, is the featured speaker of the evening. Miss Stonecipher will speak to the club on "Pegasus in Kentucky," based on mythological references taken from old Kentucky newspapers.

Miss Virginia Strehman will sing "Moon Marketing", by Ben Jonson. Miss Strohman will be accompanied by Miss Ida Mitchell Claypool.

The banquet tonight terminates the activity of the English Club for the 1938-39 season.

"They swayed about upon a Rocking Horse and thought it Pegasus"—Keats.

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The study of grammar increases your "Voculabority."

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Pope had a "uniformed" style.

PEGASUS LOST

By Elinor Wylie

And there I found a gray and ancient ass,
With dull glazed stare, and stubborn wrinkled smile,
Sardonic, mocking my wide-eyed amaze.
A clumsy hulking form in the white place
At odds with the small stable, cleanly, Greek,
The marble manger and the golden oats.
With loathing hands I felt the ass's side,
Solidly real and hairy to the touch.
Then knew I that I dreamed not, but saw truth;
And knowing, wished I still might hope I dreamed.
The door stood wide, I went into the air.
The day was blue and filled with rushing wind,
A day to ride high in the heavens and taste
The glory of the gods who tread the stars.
Up in the mighty purity I saw
A flashing shape that gladly sprang aloft—
My little Pegasus, like a fair white bird
Seeking sun-regions, never to return.
Silently then I turned my steps about,
Entered the stable, saddled the slow ass;
Then on its back I journey dustily
Between sun-wilted hedgerows into town.

The Story Of Pegasus

Pegasus was a winged steed of ancient Greek mythology. The earliest legend connects his birth with Medusa, the hideous Gorgon whose head was cut off by Perseus. As the blood from the head trickled into the earth, it produced the winged horse. Minerva caught and tamed him, according to one story, and brought him bridled to Bellerophon. Another story says that the horse often came to drink at the fountain of Pirene, in Corinth, and here Bellerophon, bearing the golden bridle given him by Minerva, found the animal grazing. At the sight of the bridle, Pegasus yielded himself captive and bore his master away to his successful battle with the Chimaera. After throwing the conceited Bellerophon, who aspired to fly to heaven, Pegasus flew away to the skies and was made the constellation that bears his name. Later legends connect Pegasus with Mount Helicon, which started to rise to heaven when charmed by the song of the Muses. Pegasus stopped its ascent by a blow of his hoof, and where he struck the ground, there gushed forth the fountain Hippocrene, sacred to the Muses. The Muses were the goddesses who presided over art and science. In addition to the Muses of dance, comedy, tragedy, there were the Muses of epic poetry, lyric poetry, love poetry, and sacred poetry.

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It Don't Make Sense

Why is it professors can wear purple ties
Haphazard haircuts and coats the wrong size.
Trousers too long and the color scheme vile,
Then, flunk me in English because of my style.—Student.

Anonymous — the man who helped Shakespeare write "Paradise Lost."

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Shelly wrote "Adenoids."

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An Antidote is a short story.

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"Pilgrim's Progress" shows the life of the colonies during colonial times.

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A simile is a pleasant expression on the countenance.

The modern application is that because of the incident of Hippocrene, this winged steed has become associated with poetic inspiration because he was the horse of the Muses, and hence a symbol of poetry. Thus, when a poet begins to write, it is said that "he mounts his Pegasus," the steed on which the poet is carried into the realms of poetic fancy.

62 English Majors To Graduate In 1939

Sixty-two English majors will be in the two graduating classes of 1939. Out of this number, thirty-nine will be in the June class, and twenty-three will be in the August class.

The list of English major, who are graduating seniors, is as follows:

June Graduates

Bock, Nancy Hargis; Basham, Mrs. Jeanette; Bell, Eunice Slone; Blaine, Sibyl; Boggs, Imogene Preston; Boyle, Mary Theresa; Carrol, Anna Mae.

Cox, William G.; Dawson, Marie Louise; Dingus, Blanche; Dryman, Delzy; Fulcher, Albertine; Harlan, Ezekiel P.; Havalson, Mrs. D. B.

Harrison, Jimmie; Hayden, Frances; Hurtt, James M.; Jones, Dorothy L.; Kinnaird, Louie; Lamkin, Martha; Loving, Mrs. Frances; Lowry, Rachel; Lyle, Margaret; McDaniel, Loraine; McElroy, H. A.; Murphy, Samuel; O'Daniel, Philip B.; Omer, Thomas Ray.

Ramsey, Gladys; Saddle, Harry; Shipp, Sarah Hayden; Sledge, Julia A.; Smith, Charles W.; Smith, Harold C.; Smith, Mae W.; Spillman, Camilla; Turk, Frances; Winchester, Emily L.; Wright, Walter.

August Graduates

Baughm, Lee; Calvert, Verna;

Menu Features Chicken With Accessories

English Club members and guests at the annual English Club banquet tonight are feasting on a typical southern dinner. The feature attraction of the banquet table is **Unjointed Country Style Chicken**. Accompanying the chicken in the effort to appease the appetites of the students and faculty members are **Stuffed Baked Potatoes, New Green Beans, Lettuce and Thousand Island Dressing, Hot Biscuits and Whole Wheat Muffins**.

The delicacies of the menu are **Strawberry Ice Cream and Home Made Cake**. The beverage for the occasion is **time-honored Coffee**.

Canary, Dorothy E.; Chapman, Rollie; Gore, Mary K.; Koon, Eleanor Griffin; Lindsey, Mrs. Leonard L.; Meisel, Anna; Mitchell, Edwin O.; Montague, Mary Elizabeth; Orr, Jewell, J.

Russell, Bessie K.; Schafer, Henry William; Schockley, Deleah Nell; Skinner, Jas. T.; Steen, Sada; Stien, Virginia; Stien, Zada; St. Clair, Corinne; Stone, Amos; Taylor, Mrs. A. A.; Vance, Margaret; Winchel, Beulah Rhea.