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Jackie Allen Norseland Royalty



Jackie Allen, Afton sophomore, was crowned 1970 Homecoming Queen by Student Senate President, Doug Cooper, during halftime ceremonies of the NEO-McCook game.

by Pauline Hale

Northeastern A&M Homecoming Queen for 1970 is Miss Jackie Allen, Afton sophomore sponsored by the Industrial Technologies Society. The dark-eyed beauty was also honored by her fellow contestants by being voted "Miss Congeniality."

Crowned by Doug Cooper, Student Senate president, during halftime of the NEO vs. McCook football game, Jackie's reign was begun in gusty cold weather before a less than capacity crowd at Robertson field.

First runner-up in the balloting for queen was Barbara Foust, Miami representative of the Newman Club, and second runner-up was Sharon Graham, Wyandotte, sponsored by Chi Alpha.

The contestants chose Doris Vann as "Miss NEO Spirit," reflecting that the enthusiasm and friendliness of the Tulsa sophomore cheerleader best typified the campus student attitude.

For the candidates the big day began Saturday, Nov. 14, with a photograph at 9:30 a.m. in the administration building. All looking lovely in formals, they arrived through bitter rainy weather, under dripping umbrellas and streaming raincoats.

But they smiled.

Just little nervous, the girls waited for the judges to arrive and begin the interviewing. Facing

the difficult task of choosing just one of these lovely ladies were judges Dorothy Barnett, Pryor High School counselor; Dr. Charles Weber, Oklahoma OEA Director of Finances, and William McKinney, Grove superintendent of schools.

Criteria for choosing the queen included beauty, poise, naturalness, speech, and appropriateness of attire. During the interviews the girls were asked about campus activities, personal beliefs and plans for the future.

After the interviews the contestants, judges, Dr. D. D. Creech and Dean of Women Ruth Maxwell had lunch in the college cafeteria, providing a final look by the judges at the club queens.

As the judges were making their decision, the girls voted for "Miss Congeniality" and "Miss NEO Spirit." It was significant that the crowd produced their decisions in a few moments while the judges took nearly an hour.

The extraordinarily long time for a selection was explained by one of the judges as, "It is so hard to choose THE girl. Every one of the girls have all the qualities of a Homecoming Queen."

But the winning combination of sparkling personality, active campus participation and a genuine interest in people won for Jackie Allen the coveted title "Northeastern A&M Homecoming Queen."

Norsemen, Rated Sixth, Reject Arizona Bowl Bid

By Bo Smith

Northeastern A&M's Golden Norsemen football squad voted to reject the invitation to play in the El Toro Bowl in Yuma, Ariz., on Thanksgiving Day.

The decline stemmed from two main contentions—the round-trip by bus of over 2000 miles plus the fact that the \$2,500. offered NEO by the bowl committee is not sufficient to pay for travel and lodging expenses.

The Norsemen were to have played Arizona Western in the title-less game. Western, with the tremendous hometown advantage not requiring a trip, had everything to gain and nothing to lose. An Arizona victory would have served as a soother for NEO's 20-6 victory over them last year in the Shrine Bowl.

This decision came one day after the Norsemen ended their season with a 19-8 victory over McCook, Neb. and finished with a very respectable 8-1 season.

A two-year record of 18-1 made the Norsemen a highly respected candidate for the 1970 national championship, but members of the National Junior College Athletic Association saw different. Instead, they chose Mesa, Ariz. and

Fl. Scott, Kan. to play for the national title in Savannah, Ga. on Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving holidays officially begin at 5 p.m. today. Classes will resume at 9:10 a.m. Monday. Only three weeks of classes remain in the first semester.



First prize in float competition went to the Masquers Club.

Homecoming Was COLD!

by Mike Wheat
Homecoming was fun. The parade was colorful, the football game—exciting, and the weather—cold! Not just cold—icy! Windy, frosty, chilling-to-the-bone freezing!

Nevertheless, we braved the cold afternoon to watch the parade. It was longer than usual, more from disorganization than anything. We watched the brave ladies march by with teeth clenched, (or chattering, depending on how far they had marched) and admired them for their valiant efforts.

We rocked back and forth on our toes, trying to maintain circulation, and thinking about how cold it might get at the game that night. We seemed to think it wouldn't be too bad sitting up in the stands cuddled under a nice blanket. The final float and the last band passed, and people

started heading home to await the Big Game.

At gametime, Joplin reported 38 degrees, Pittsburg 34, and in Miami at "Beautiful Robertson Field" it seemed like zero. Tickets bought, entrance gained, suitable seats found, blanket spread and wrapped, the game began.

Actually two games were involved; one was on the field, and the other was the game of keeping warm. As much as the Norsemen were winning the football game, we were losing the battle in the stands. The blanket was not big enough to wrap around both of us. Just lying it across our knees did not do the job.

"Poof!"—gone were all delicious thoughts of watching the game "cuddled under a nice blanket." If she didn't have a draft, I did. By the time the second quarter arrived, we came to the realization that we had

three more quarters to sit through, and we were cold. Not just getting cold, but COLD!

But, forebear, we thought, if those poor lunatics on the field can stand sliding around and falling in the mud of "Beautiful Robertson Field," we could sit in the comparative comfort of our inadequate blanket and play the part. We knew it wasn't going to get any warmer, but at least we could hope for the wind to slow down or die.

History will record it didn't. As we froze through the third quarter, we had to sympathize with those who fumbled the football. If the fumbles weren't enough, some fellow whose name wasn't Sharp, kept making passes at the missus, most of which were incomplete.

Things couldn't have been more miserable, not just unpleasant, but DOWNRIGHT MISERABLE! Of course, we were winning the football game, but in the stands . . . oh well, those of you who were there, know. Near the middle of the fourth quarter we decided it was time to open our thermos and partake of the hot chocolate therein. It was cold.

As the final gun sounded, we headed for the car on frozen feet lifted by frozen knees. With frozen smiles on our frozen faces, we rubbed our frozen fundamentals and thought "I can't wait till next year."

Appreciation to Northeastern A&M staff members who contributed to the John Sheppard fund is being expressed through the Norse Wind by Mrs. Bonny Sheppard of the college business office.

Because of the many different individuals involved in the fund, it would be impossible to extend thanks on that basis.

Drama And Art Students Join Efforts To Create "Zoo"

Rumors are running wild at Northeastern A&M. Ostriches, monkeys and panthers in the drama classroom? And busy sketcheders recording the creatures' actions on easel?

Can it be true?

Don Nichols, drama instructor, and Kathryn Paige, art instructor, shed some light on the situation. Don't get excited. It's just the acting class taking on the characters of wild creatures. The art class couldn't resist the splendid opportunity for some great action sketches. So they all combined in various artistic efforts.

The young actors insist that it is good acting practice, and also good emotional therapy. One young man gallops about the room flapping his arms and squawking in imitation of an awkward ostrich. Others maneuver

their bodies pretending to be appliances such as blenders, washing machines and clothes dryers.

The budding artists sit, feverishly moving charcoal and pencil over the easels. They, too, considered the experience great practice by developing speed and accuracy in sketching.

Students and instructors alike are looking forward to future joint sessions. One student remarked, "This is the most exciting class I've attended yet!"

Such a reaction is quite understandable! However, is it possible that every class has the potential for a kind of zoo?

New Rodeo Club Elects Eastwood

Officers were elected Nov. 2 by members of the newly formed NEO Rodeo Club. Mike Eastwood, Centerville, Kans., will serve as president of the riding group.

Other officers are Bobby McAfee, Henryetta, vice president; Lawson Essex, Miami, secretary; Larry Stamper, Locust Grove, treasurer; Brenda Ayres, Blue-jacket, publicity chairman; and Bob Stash, Ardmore, social chairman.

An honorary membership was conferred on Dr. Cecil C. Ferree, dean of instruction. Club sponsors are Jary Douglas, agriculture instructor, and Jerry Hollis, chemistry instructor.

Meetings are scheduled every other Tuesday night. Membership dues are \$2.50 first semester and \$3. second semester. At present a committee is deciding on a suitable emblem, after which membership cards will be printed.

Senate Christmas Party Slated For December 14

By Pauline Hale

"Do you think she'd like a little doll or something like that?"

"Well, how would he like a toy truck?"

Is this Santa Claus making out an early gift list? Well, sort of, except it's not just one Santa Claus—a more accurate estimate would be about 600 of them.

Carrying out a tradition of many years, Northeastern A&M students will shortly be playing Santa to more than 250 youngsters from Miami, Picher, Quapaw, Commerce and outlying communities of Ottawa County.

The Boosters Club will sponsor a trip for the Golden Norsemen footballers to attend the Oklahoma-Oklahoma State football game, Saturday, Nov. 28.

They will leave Miami at 8:00 a.m. for Norman, where they are guests of the Oklahoma University football team. Booster members are also making the trip.

6 Former NEO Aggies Seeking Major Goals

By Colleen Vandiver

Six 1970 graduates of NEO who represented the Aggie Society on the "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges" list are seeking agricultural degrees at universities, according to J. C. Miller, NEO agriculture instructor.

All are members of Phi Theta Kappa and were members of NEO's national champion Livestock Judging teams.

At Oklahoma State University are Mark Grigsby and Rockne Maxson, both from Welch. Jim Ferguson, Taylor, Neb., is attending the University of Nebraska and Mike Finney, Seneca, Neb., is at Kansas State University. All are animal science majors and are vying for positions on livestock judging teams.

Also at Kansas State are Charles Kerr and Kenneth Nickell, agriculture education majors from Parker, Kan.

All ranked high in national contests at Ft. Worth, Houston and Denver last year while representing the NEO Aggies.

Nickell is married and has one child. Grigsby plans to be married during the Christmas holidays.

Again this year NEO coeds and fellows may "adopt" one of these children for the length of a Christmas, official; usually the friendship lasts much longer.

Sponsored by the Student Senate, the annual Christmas Children's Party will be held Monday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the new gym. The program is being organized by Mrs. Marion Dyer, Student Union Director.

Mrs. Dyer reports that those interested may begin signing up for a child Nov. 30 in the Student Union. She suggests that it would be a wonderful gesture to take the child to see the drama department's production "Peter Pan" which runs Dec. 10-12 in the Fine Arts Center.

The Christmas party agenda includes gifts, games, songs and treats—the stuff that dreams are made of. But naturally the youngsters will find the highlight of the night the moment Santa arrives to pass out presents . . . gifts provided by NEO foster parents.

Students are asked to limit the cost of gifts to \$5 with a minimum suggested of \$3. Some students by visiting the home early may decide to spend a little extra on items of clothing also.

Order Of Freyja Has 17 Members

Named after the Norse Goddess Freyja, Northeastern A&M honor group for women was founded by Mary E. Roddy, former Dean of Women, in 1964. At the present time there are 17 members of the Order of Freyja on campus.

Now sponsored by Mrs. Ruth Maxwell, Dean of Women, the scholastic order recognizes and encourages academic excellence among women residents of college housing. In order to be a member a coed must have 14 hours or more with a 3.5 grade average or better each semester and must live on campus.

Members from Dobson Hall include Jacqueline Allen, Bonnie Bandy, Diane Barr, Lynn Cordray, Janice Epps, Charlotte Fisher, Gail Hanna, Karen Pilgrim, Suzette Trigalet, Janet Oskinson and Janice Oskinson.

Van Hall residents currently holding membership are Sondra Berry, Loretta Hobbs, Betty Knight, Catherine Mader, Joan Masters and Pamela Sawyer.

Tulsa Officer Visits NEO's Justice Class

by Tim Griffin

Corporal Robert Cartner, Tulsa Police Department, paid an "off-duty" visit to NEO's class in Criminal Investigation on Tuesday, Nov. 18. He told instructor Richard Cook's students some of the tricks of the trade in narcotics investigation.

Cartner, who has been with the force for 11 years, was assigned to the narcotics division last May. In his discussion he showed the students numerous pills, including Amphetamines and Barbiturates. Cartner explained their effects and pointed out ways of distinguishing pill by color.

"Narcotics in today's world is a fad with young people that sooner or later will be replaced by some other kind of fad," Cartner stated.

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Norse Band To Perform In 3 Parades

by Fred Minker

Rivaling Saint Nick for mileage records, the Norse Band will march in three Christmas parades in a two-day period this year, according to Robert Swanson, director.

NEO will be represented by the marching musicians in Sapulpa Dec. 4 and the following day will travel to Sand Springs for a morning parade. They will return to Miami that afternoon for the local Yule parade.

In addition to the performers at the Golden Norsemen football contests, the band members have received other public viewing at Drumright's Oil Progress Day Parade and the NEO Homecoming Parade.



Newcomer John Williams connected on this shot for two of his 23 points against Temple, Tex. in the Crowder Classic.

Host Crowder Slips By Norse, 66-60

By Bob Taul

Crowder's Roughriders defeated the Norsemen cagers 66-60, Nov. 17, to win the Crowder Classic. NEO had defeated Temple, Tex., 100-84, the previous night.

The entire Crowder game was nip and tuck as leads changed hands several times. But NEO's fine forward, James DeGrate, coming off an injury, funneled in five buckets in the final four minutes of the first half, giving the Norse a 38-32 halftime lead.

Crowder came storming back in the second half and the lead continued to change hands, neither team gaining a lead better than three points. With 10 minutes remaining and a one point lead, Crowder decided to use ball-stalling tactics.

After four minutes of Crowder's stalling, NEO stole the ball and Bob Kemp fired in a 20-footer to put the Norse ahead by one with 2:58 remaining on the clock. The

Roughriders, however, came back and reversed the lead with less than a minute to go.

NEO lost its next two possessions and had to resort to intentionally fouling Crowder players to regain the ball. This failed as Crowder was successful at the charity stripe.

Edwyn Wakefield led NEO scoring and rebounding with 14 and 17 respectively. Melvin Hall added 11 points and John Williams contributed 17 rebounds.

Fred Williams led Crowder scorers with 17, followed by Frosty Goldsmith with 16.

The Norsemen dominated the Temple game, hitting 50 percent from the field, and never trailed. Halftime score was 47-39.

Twelve Norsemen saw action with eight of them scoring. Wakefield and Williams scored 25 apiece, followed by Larry Harris with 17 and Hall with 12. Williams snared 18 rebounds.

Norsemen Ax OSU's Gass To Speak Poteau By 40 At Norse Grid Banquet

Rebounding from the tournament loss to Crowder, the Norsemen soundly defeated Poteau JC, 120-80, November 18, in the first conference battle.

Freshman guard David Alvarado was high point man with 33 on 15 field goals. Edwyn Wakefield cashed in with 22 points and 21 rebounds.

Also in double figures for the Norsemen were James De Grate, 14; Matt Blair, 10; and Melvin Hall, 10.

NEO's first home contest is December 3 against Eastern.

Guest speaker for the annual football banquet for the Golden Norsemen will be Floyd Gass, head football coach at Oklahoma State University. Scheduled for Dec. 9 the affair will be in Carter Student Union ballroom beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Purpose of such banquets is to honor the Norse pigskin crew after the season. Individual awards will be presented to outstanding performers on both offense and

defense, as well as trophies for spirit and team play.

In an impressive ceremony following the trophy presentations, S. A. (Red) Robertson, dean of men, will give out tiny oars from the Viking Ship to each sophomore. With the symbol of Norse sea superiority, the former head coach also gives the players the solemn charge that "once a Norseman always a Norseman."

GOLDEN NORSEMEN BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

First Semester

Nov. 16-17	M, T	Crowder Classic (Neosho, Mo.)
Nov. 19	Th	Poteau (There)
Nov. 24-25-26	T, W, Th	Oral Roberts Juco Tournament (Tulsa)
Dec. 3	Th	Eastern (Here)
Dec. 4-5	F, Sat.	Mt. Vernon, Ill. (There)
Dec. 10-12	Th, Sat.	Belleville, Ill. (There)
Dec. 17	Th	NEO Classic (NEO, Crowder, Bacone, M. Southern)
Dec. 19	Sat.	Oklahoma State Tech (Okmulgee)
Dec. 23	W	Independence (There)
		Coffeyville, (There)

Grid Intramural Four Talented League Started Teams Paired For 15 Teams For Tourney

By Donnie Newcomb

Competition in intramural football is now underway, according to Cletus Green, Assistant Athletic Director and head basketball coach. Also offered in this year's program are basketball, bowling, table tennis, volleyball, and eight ball.

Fifteen football teams are divided into two brackets. Teams in the upper bracket are "Dyer Boozedogs," "Russell," "Diaper Rash," "Kah-uh-ne-hall," "Ramrods," "Big Red Terriers," and "Lucky 13".

The lower bracket includes, "Howdy Doody Dozen," "Good Losers," "Brimstone Bears," "New Indians," "Phillips Hall Senators," "Dirty Dozen," "Twelve" "Disciples," and "Black Saints."

The champion will be determined with a game between the bracket winners. Games are played on the parking lot east of Robertson Field and are officiated by members of the Student Senate.

Pairings for the annual North-eastern A&M basketball classic have been announced by Cletus Green, Golden Norse head coach, in charge of the Dec. 10-12 meet. Crowder's Roughriders of Neosho, Mo., and Bacone Warriors of Muskogee open action at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10. Following the first game, at about 8:45 p.m. will be the host Norsemen against the Pirates of Independence, Kan.

No games will be played Friday but the following night the losers of the opening games will meet at 7 p.m. and a championship tilt will follow as the winners clash.

Aggie News

"Rodeo — America's No. 1 Sport" read popular car bumper signs now on sale.

Anyone wishing to purchase a sign may obtain one by sending one dollar to well-known rodeo announcer Larry Chisholm, Route 1, Wichita, Kan.

A sale for running coats is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sat., Dec. 3, at the Dunroven Ranch, three miles east of Abbyville, Kan. Tommy Hixwell will conduct the sale.

Two and three-year-olds are first in the selling line, followed by the four-year-olds, and older.

Anyone wishing to sell a colt must submit a health certificate for the colt no later than midnight, Friday, Dec. 2.

Mike Price, NEO sophomore from Liberty, Kan., sold 10 Durco gilts to a Mexico City man sponsoring a drive to build better hog stock in Mexico.



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Defense Stars In Wind, Rain

by Bo Smith

Battling a rain soaked field and a wind chill factor of three degrees above zero NEO closed out it's 1974 grid campaign with a rugged 19-8 homecoming victory over the McCook, Neb. Indians, Saturday, Nov. 14.

A crowd of barely 6,000 started the game with the Norse, but cold damp weather with a twenty-mile-per-hour north wind chased all but only the harty Norsemen fans from Robertson field before halftime.

The Norsemen offense, hampered by a muddy field, never established a complete drive but did total 307 offensive yards. A relentless Blue defense halted the Indian aerial attack and also proved even tougher for the run while giving up only 178 total offensive yards.

DEFENSE MAKES BIG PLAY

Defense set up the initial Norse score as monster man Tommy Dick fell on an Indian fumble at the McCook 31-yard line. Two carries by fullback Barry Korner netted 20 yards and a first down at the Indian 11 before John Cherry found split end Jim Sharp alone in the end zone for a 6-0 lead. The conversion by Bob Smith sailed wide right.

The Norse defense rose to the occasion on the next McCook ser-

ies as the Blue held the Indians on the Norsemen 13-yard line. On third and fourth downs, and needing only two yards for a first down, McCook beefed up their offensive front wall by adding two defensive tackles weighing 290 pounds each in an attempt to blow the much smaller Norsemen back. The end result was no gain and a loss of the football as NEO took over on downs.

From the Norse 13, Korner rambled 66 yards to the Indian 21-yard line. Two penalties and one play later, Sharp took a pitch-out from Cherry on an end-around and scrambled 10 yards for the score. Cherry's pass for the two-point conversion fell incomplete for a 12-0 halftime lead.

CHERRY INJURED

Smith replaced Cherry for the second half as an ankle injury forced the All-American candidate to end his Norseman career two quarters early.

Smith's 30-yard pass to Sharp with only 1:30 gone in the third quarter turned out to be the last Norse touchdown of the season and with Smith's placement, NEO owned a 19-0 lead.

With little over five minutes remaining in the game, McCook picked up its only score of the evening on a 34-yard jaunt by tailback David Blake. With a two-point conversion scoring ended at 19-8.

For the Big Blue, it was the end of another era. Sophomores finished with 12 victories against no losses while playing at home.



McCook's quarterback finds the going rough as he is grabbed by Matt Blair with Bill (Skillet) Meridith on the assist. This play lost six yards.

Cherry Smashes Three School Passing Records

John Cherry, Norsemen quarterback, put his name in the school record book by shattering two old marks on one play in NEO's 19-8 Homecoming victory over McCook, Neb.

Cherry's 10-yard pass to Jim Sharp in the first quarter broke Steve Watson's mark of 18 touchdown passes, set last year. The same play produced the 22nd touchdown in which Cherry has been responsible for this season. The previous mark of 21 belonged to Doug Mathews, 1967 star.

Cherry most surely would have claimed the total offense record had he not been injured in the second quarter. He came within 10 yards of Jack Jones' 1957 record of 1,584 total yards.

In the North Dakota game, Cherry knocked off Harold Peacock's 1966 record by passing for 1,384 yards. Peacock's total was 1,305, accumulated in 10 games as compared to only nine games for Cherry.

This year's Norsemen scored 334 points, breaking the 221 mark set by the 1967 national champions. The 1952 Norse still hold the 10-game record with 359 points.



Fullback Barry Korner broke loose for 66 yards to set up a Norse touchdown.



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