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SOUGHT TRADE WITH INDIANS 200 YEARS AGO*

For the first time the people of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma may read in their own language the accounts of the early French adventurers who voyaged on the Missouri river as far as Kansas City 234 years ago or who crossed the plains to Santa Fe eighty-two years before William Becknell, "Father of the Santa Fe Trail," made his epoch-making journey. Letters, memoirs and documents of the chief early explorers have been translated from French into English by Beatrice Paddock, assistant in the reference department of the Wichita city library, for the benefit of Wichita history students. A copy of the translations also has been filed at the Kansas Historical society by Mrs. Hortense Balderston Campbell, who borrowed the original French narratives from the Library of Congress and assigned to Miss Paddock the task of translating.

While historians have long delved into the Spanish archives to discover the original narratives of the early Spanish visitors to Texas, California, New Mexico and Arizona, and while many Spanish works have been translated into English and are available in book form for history students, the original narratives of the French adventurers, which are just as interesting and romantic as any tale told by a Spaniard, have been neglected. Miss Paddock has confined her translation to travels in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma as found in "The History of Louisiana," by M. LePage du Pratz, published in 1758, and in Pierre Margy's collection of "Memoirs and Original Documents of Discoveries and Establishments Within the West and South of North America, 1614-1754."

A VISIT TO THE LITTLE PEOPLE

Most charming of all tales is that of Etienne Venyard de Pourgmont, who began trading on the Missouri in 1703, and who, in 1724, received orders from France to visit the land of the Little People. According to his commission the Little People were "a tribe with a great number of little people who have eyes an inch apart from the nose, dress like Europeans, always with boots, wearing gold plaques on their buskins, and who are very well lodged around a great lake distant from the Pawnees by 600 leagues. One says there is much gold there within that country and rubies."

Since Bourgmont was well acquainted with the Indian tribes of the Missouri country, it is not likely that he placed much credence on the tale of the pygmy gold and ruby miners. But since the king provided him with a large consignment of merchandise to present to the Little People, Bourgmont carried the merchandise with him and set out on an expedition up the Kaw valley to the valley of the Smoky Hill where dwelt the Commanche, known to the French

as the Padoucas. He took with him his 10-year-old son and enjoyed every day of the journey despite the fact that he was ill. His day-by-day journal reveals that he was deeply appreciative of the beauties of Kansas and that no poet, artist or real estate promoter has ever lavished more praise on the scenery. He arrived at that part of the Smoky Hill valley not far from Lindsborg, where Birger Sandzen has made the rock-studded hills famous with his landscapes, on October 12, and this is his entry for that day.

"The day's journey was very diversified by the variety of objects. The view to the right was unlimited, but one saw at the left some hills which from time to time appear as ancient castles seen at a distance."

Here are excerpts from succeeding days' records:

"October 13—The prairies were filled with buffaloes, deer and roes in such a manner that one could hardly distinguish one herd from another.

"October 14—One never wearied seeing the view and admiring the charming and oft-repeated objects.

"October 15—Thickets are so pleasingly garnished with herbs underneath and so free of all else that the deer are able to run through with ease.

"October 16—And the beauties did not bore us."

It was on October 18 that Bourgmont came upon the Commanche, who, apprised of his coming, rode to meet the Frenchmen. Bourgmont quickly won their friendship by bringing Commanche captives, bought from the Osages and restoring them to their relatives. Next Bourgmont unpacked his gifts from France and had enough to give something to each of the 800 warriors of the Commanche nation. He presented swords, guns, pickaxes, hatchets, powder, ball, Limborg red, Limborg blue, vermillion, vermillion boxes, chemishes, scissors, combs, worm screws, awls, needles, kettles, large bells, small bells, beads, brass wire and rings.

PLEDGED ETERNAL FRIENDSHIP

So overwhelmed was the chief of the Commanche with the handsome gifts that he delivered an oration pledging eternal friendship with these extravagant words:

"For a long time our hearts trembled as leaves agitated by the wind at the least cry of the night birds. Our children cried from hunger day and night. We did not dare to hunt because the sun was red, the time was cloudy, the roads were covered with rocks and thorns, the game fled from our villages. We have flat stomachs and hollow cheeks. The birds that perch near us sing only sad warblings of death.

"But with your coming, my father, you brought beautiful days. Ah, the sky is serene, the sun brilliant. The roads are cleared, the water is pure, the game returns. Our women are going to laugh and dance and prepare food at their ease; our children

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NOTES OF INTEREST

Supt. R. M. Kelley returned Sunday night from an official business trip to Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Louise Lindsey was a Sunday dinner guest of Miss Sara Silvene at the Haskell club.

Mrs. R. M. Kelley and Mrs. Fred T. Renick spent Tuesday afternoon in Kanas City.

Mrs. Maurice Z. Skelton has returned from Brazil, Indiana, where she had been visiting friends and relatives.

The Haskell-Jayhawks entertained a group of friends and employees with a dance party Friday evening after the puppet show.

Mrs. James A. Davis was hostess to the Haskell sewing club last Wednesday. The club met with Mrs. R. L. King this week.

Dr. Goodwin, the eye, ear, nose, and throat specialist, has been here since the first of last week and is very busy examining students and taking out tonsils.

Carol Youngbird has received word from Cherokee that Miss Groves has returned to that reservation from the hospital in Asheville, North Carolina, where she had been desperately ill, and is now convalescing.

Students of the arts and crafts department, under the direction of Miss Sibyl Malm, presented a puppet show in the auditorium Friday evening. The entire show was enthusiastically received by the audience.

Miss McDougall, in charge of Ida Noyes hall of the University of Chicago, Mrs. Charles Brooks, in charge of Corbin hall of the University of Kansas and Mrs. William Pendleton of Lawrence inspected Pocahontas hall Monday.

"The Childhood of Hiawatha," a cantata by Ira B. Wilson, based upon Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem, was successfully presented by the mixed chorus, under the direction of Miss Corrine E. Bemis, in the auditorium Sunday evening.

KEOKUK HALL

Ben Naranjo is going to Colorado for the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Stewart and Miss Dosey attended the boys' favorite show the other night, the Patee.

Warner Coffin is still collecting bugs as his his recreation.

The boys at the amateur show took fourth place. They are not having an amateur program this week.

John Leeper, Bernard Gregnon, Dan Hornett, Henry Cummings, Frances Schuyler, Frances Levier and Jess Samuels had their tonsils removed this last week. And now they will be quiet for a few days.

William Sherwood entertained Arlene McLaughlin and Jeanne Archambeau in our kitchenette last Saturday night. The waffles which the two young women cooked were very good.—Frank Hitchens.

TAHOMA

Dr. Renick recently purchased a new Buick coupe, and has promised the nurse girls an initiative ride.

After being a patient for three days, Frank Lewis of Mayetta was discharged Sunday.

The boys from the masonry department did some badly-needed repair work in the basement of the hospital.

Ruby Chilton has established a new record-breaking time in washing dishes, especially after suppers—we wonder just why?

Richard Green has been sitting up in the wheel chair at short intervals since Saturday. He enjoys his times in the wheel chair, and is seen visiting in and out of all the first-floor rooms.

Miss Browning is becoming an expert ice cream maker since she has to make it every day for the tonsil patients, who are very grateful to her for her aid in helping them keep those prize "Osages." The student cooks are also getting some good experience during the operations.—Nannie Vann.

WINONA HALL

Eva Welton and Jesse Scott enjoyed the Passion play presented at the Methodist church Friday night.

Vina Ohlerking, Harriet Brunette and Violet Brunette enjoyed a trip to Kansas City last Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Eads and son, Forrest.

Fern Uken had breakfast with Bishop Wise and Father and Mrs. Harrison at the rectory of the Episcopal church last Sunday morning.

The favorite hobby of Georgianna Shotley, Irene Lavolette and Margaret Lavadure is collecting post marks from various places in the United States.

We wish to thank the person who is responsible for the installation of drinking fountains in our halls. Constance Folster was the first to initiate the fountain on the second floor.

A package came to our building for Mrs. Merton Bishop. As there was no claim for it, we sent it to Keokuk hall where we believe there is a "Mr." Merton Bishop.

Room 49, the nurse girls' quarters, has a "Small-pox" placard on the door. They say it's a means of preventing the many girls coming to their room for medical aid.

"I smell onions" was a phrase heard throughout the building when an onion contest was held between the rooms 25 and 28 Wednesday evening. The proud but miserable winner was Frances Rasmussen.

Cecelia Antoine wrote a story, "The Star That Saved The Crown," and sent it to New York City to be entered in the contest sponsored by the publishers of the Scholastic magazine. Her story pertains to Indian life. Good luck, Cecelia.—Rachel Lavadure.

KOLATI COTTAGE

Friday evening the cottage girls entertained in honor of the Puppeteers after the marionette show. The guests were Miss Malm, Jeanne Archambeau, Marie Beane, Robert Summers, Dana Knight and Kenneth Scott.

Additional guests were Edward Wade, John Whipple, Robert Stewart, Lawrence Birdsbill, Clarence Fisher and Andrew Yankton.

Florence Lunderman had as her guest, Iva Menzie for dinner last Thursday.—Florence Lunderman.

OSCEOLA HALL

Joseph Tucker has had his brother, Algers Tucker, as his visitor this week.

The boys have been visiting the hospital recently, getting themselves acquainted with our visitor, the "tonsillectomist."

The "Warriors and Warriorettes" of the campus were seen on the stage at the Varsity theatre last Sunday afternoon.

The matinee show tickets for the Granada last Saturday afternoon were passed out to the "lucky ten:" Wesley Bigjoe, Sylvester Masqua, Clarence Hicks, Marvin Littlehoe, Lajoie Doctor, Charles Wells, Jacob Samuels, Julian Gentry, Norman Freemont and Peter Shawanibin.

The student body and employees thronged the auditorium last Friday night for a special program by the puppeteers. The little puppets took their audience to that far away land which they inhabited until the "little chief" brought one of the manipulators to view, which brought quite a gasp from the spectators. We'll all be looking forward for their next performance.

The room reports our inspectors, Libby Botone and Evangeline Flute, placed on the bulletin board last Saturday morning were looked over the second time by some of the occupants. They may have been surprised at the insignia placed by their room number, but nevertheless we will be waiting for a general inspection again tomorrow by non-residents of this building.

Mostly So: One evening last week, the Eddy brothers and Houston Teehee furnished the boys with their "mountaineers' swing time," while Raymond Shawa yodeled off the "calls" and the "wheel" went around . . . The latest style of the brown tunics that some of the boys have been donning for "old man winter's" last few visits will soon be put away for another season.—Lawistoonie.

Ⓐ thought for spring: Give dandelions an inch and they'll take a yard.

POCAHONTAS HALL

Thelma Cochran was called home Sunday morning to Tuttle, Oklahoma, by the illness of her mother.

Mrs. John McEwen Ames of Topeka was our guest over the week-end.

Thelma Kennedy will spend the Easter vacation with her mother near Kaw, Oklahoma.

See "Twinkle-Inkle" and Libby Botone dancing to Walter Suagee's harmonica.

We have on our shelves now twenty-five bulletins from the Denver Art Museum, department of Indian art.

Thelma Kennedy entertained Friday night with a birthday supper party to which she asked the following guests: Lena Rose Vale, Thelma Cochran, Alberta Griffin, Warner Coffin, Delos Botone, and Sidney Stone.

We have had an anonymous gift of a large number of magazines: House and Garden, House Beautiful and Homes and Gardens, for which we want to thank someone.

Carrie Sadongi should receive the Easter lily from this hall; because she is a senior in the University of Kansas, because she is soon to live in the practice cottage there, and because she is a fine citizen on our campus and in our hall.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA

The Haskell band and orchestra held their first consolidated meeting last Tuesday afternoon. The purpose of this meeting was to elect officers, and to discuss some important subjects.

Mr. Cato opened the meeting, briefly explaining the advantages and benefits to be derived from a well organized group.

The meeting opened with a motion made and seconded that the officers elected shall govern both the band and orchestra. Officers elected were president, vice president and secretary-treasurer.

The following were elected to hold these positions in the newly organized club: President, Roland Miller; vice president, Jimmy Ellison; and secretary-treasurer, Elmer Lincoln. The program committee for any future events will be appointed by the president.

The musicians' annual social event was brought before the meeting. Each member will submit his idea of how he thought he would carry out the event most successfully at a later meeting.

PERSONALS: These students make up the Haskell band: Clarinets; Lawrence Hill, Alphonse Ducept, William Brugier, Olyve Neconish, Anna Mandan, Mildred LeCompte, Samuel English, Prentice Tiger, Edward Peters. Cornets; Roland Miller, Scott Begay, Elmer Lincoln, Glen McGuire, George Nullake, Bryan Locust, Thomas Herrick, Joseph Whitney. Trombones; Benedict Quigno, Percy Archdale, Alfred Paisano, Mose Teplew. Horns; Robert Welch, Lorraine LeMieux, Howard Windlowe, Roy Marlow. Baritone; Pemberton Doxtator, Vernon Teller, Mr. Yazza. Alto saxophones; Mary Ann Kirkaldie, Rufus Plume. Tenor saxophone; Cecelia Teeple. Baritone saxophone; Andrew Yankton. Bases; Peter Doxtator, Benedict Ashes. Drums; Ernest Smith, John Bosin, Charles Fiddler, Gertrude LeMieux, Willa Mae Spybuck, Richard Green.—L. M. H.

VOCATIONAL NEWS

Drafting and Shop Math: The boys are now taking up blueprint readings. It teaches them the different kinds of drawings, meaning of various kinds of lines, scale drawing and dimensions.

In shop math they are studying speeds and feeds of machinery. The study takes in the operation of lathes, drill press, planer, shaper and all milling machines.

They also learned to check the speed of a machine to find out if a piece of stock is running at the right speed for the cutting of the material.—Clayton Noble.

Maintenance Department: This week we rebuilt the coal house at Mr. Cato's and Mrs. Basom's residences. Screen doors on various buildings have also been repaired.

A new roof and a set of doors were put on Mr. Fowler's garage. Repair work has also been done on the roof of the auditorium and the roof of Mr. Kelley's residence.

At present we are working on Mr. Eads' garage installing a set of doors. Another job now in progress is the building of a porch at Mr. Rummage's residence.—Lawrence E. Jacobs.

Bakery: In making the change in detail, the boys have the following assignments: Bill Washington and Floyd Skenanadore are on the early morning shift to mix dough; Roland Roy, Joseph Ashkanok, Narcisse Benoist and James Sams are on pastry; Earl Brown has the control of the baking department; and John Bosin is taking care of slicing and storing of bread.

With the holiday coming on the work had to be crowded so the boys may enjoy the holiday.

The full-time students will attend a show Tuesday afternoon. The show will be about fermentation interference.—Jacob Samuels.

Landscape and Gardening: The discussion of vegetable gardening is being continued this week.

Jobs in process this week: The garden seeds have been purchased and the ground is being prepared for planting of early garden vegetables. The farm boys are hoping that Jupe Pluvius will not turn on his sprinklers for at least another ten days.

John Wiggins who is in charge of the farm truck was confined to the hospital this week.

Alcario Gonzales is again at the wheel of his iron steed getting the ground ready for planting.

Tomatoes, pepper and cabbage seeds have been set in the hot bed.

James Pruner, Willard Nanagos and Lemuel Cornellus are spreading fertilizer in the garden plots.

Arnold Corn is transplanting petunias at the green house.

Dan Dubois, who has been in charge of the horses and barn all winter, is harrowing the ground that will be used for planting of oats and the early garden.

Paige Roy, Ivan Andrews, Ivan Wishkeno and Roland Gladue are caring for the garbage and trash this week.—Alcario Gonzales.

Plumbing: For the past week John Willis and Kenneth House have been installing drinking fountains in Winona hall.

Sylvester Masqua and John Chicks the master custodians of the disposal plant during the past week repaired a hot water line in the tunnel in front of Curtis hall.

Corbin Robidoux repaired the oil gauge on the cement mixing engine. He also aided Mr. Lowry in cutting down some metal cans for the home economics department, and putting on faucets for the paint barrels in the basement of the vocational building.

The repair and maintenance of the campus plumbing was taken care of by Sylvester Masqua and Corbin Robidoux and their part-time helpers.—Kenneth House.

Transportation Department: This week finds Terrill Collins and Ed Wade in the auto paint room putting the finishing touches on the 1933 Chevrolet truck. The truck will be painted to match colors with the other trucks, namely, our famous silver disk wheels, dark green body, and black fenders.

George Nullake is dragging and rolling the track in the stadium with the Fordson roller tractor.

Victor Martin has been sheikling up our finer cars this week on the wash rack.

Last week the school bus made a successful round trip to Kansas City, Missouri, since its general overhauling. The new electric fuel pump installed has eliminated the use of vacuum tanks which have caused so much of the trouble previously.

The 5-ton caterpillar tractor is in use this week under the operation of Raymond Shawa who is dragging the driveways adjacent to our garage. Incidentally, Raymond swallowed some gasoline the other day while cyphoning gasoline from the school bus. It made him cough considerably and he was heard to complain, "It's no wonder some cars back-fire."—Wesley Bigjoe.

Electric Shop: Edward Peters and Woodrow Wilson are connecting a motor up on the drill press in the power plant.

Orin Newagon is a trade-finder at our shop and he has been doing some very nice work.

Chester Crowe and George Ogden are installing a drum type reversing switch on one of the lathes in the power plant.

Walter Roe Hamilton is getting the rating on a motor for the water cooler in the meat room. A more convenient switch is to be installed.

Quinton Crow and Clarence Hicks are showing the films in the maintenance theatre. The films are for the science class and the bakers.

A group of electricians took time out to help the masons pour cement for the bases for the light rigs which are to be installed very soon.

Chester Ellis, Wharton Bright and Ray Mike finished connecting up a shaper in the power plant. The wires, in conduit, are invisible which makes the job look very neat.

Lajole Doctor is working on the lathe which is here in the shop and is ready to take up orders that come in concerning lathe work. Dana Knight and Prentice Tiger have been taking care of the "rush" orders and working on their notebooks.—Prentice Tiger.

Masonry: During the past week the masons had a busy time. The plastering job at the hospital basement, on which all the masons took part, is near completion. This week the steam tunnel for Mr. Anderson will be completed with a concrete slab over it. The masons also reconditioned the badly damaged pavement in front of Powhatan apartments.

Another small job was pouring concrete base for the light poles at Pocahontas tennis court.

Pete Houle, with the help of trade-finders, did a fine piece of work repairing stucco at Mr. Fowler's garage. Pete is also a special student and improving every day.—Clarence McGill.

Cabinet Making and Carpentry: Albert Peltier, working mornings under Mr. Hansberry, is making ten walnut dish trays for the dining room.

Leroy Taylor repaired six chairs for Miss Spencer.

Roy Wanstall and Ray Williams are building two flower boxes on stands for Winona hall.

Mose Tepiew repaired six chairs for the home economics department.

Joseph Whitney made one picture frame for Pocahontas hall.

The part-timers and trade-finders that work only every other week are taking the same class discussion as last week, the proper method of applying shellac on finished work.—Ray Williams.

Painting and Decorating: Class study and lectures for the past week: "Estimations," and "Qualification for a first class workman."

School days are becoming fewer and fewer as each day slips by for the prospective graduates. Our instructor is urging them to review the many formulas that he has taught them.

Theodore Ghostbear and Richard Pratt are engaged in putting the final touches here and there in the Bessie residence. William Cobb is applying another coat of paint on wainscoting in the upper dining room. George Hicks is fast becoming an expert spray-gunner under the tutorship of John Grandbois. John Carney finished painting in the post office.

Touch-up work required at Pocahontas hall was administered by your reporter.—Kenneth Scott.

Blacksmith and Welding: Joseph Summers and Pete O'Klimosh designed and constructed a dozen pairs of draping rods for Winona hall. Joseph also built up some valve stems with stellite for the auto mechanics.

The home economics department must be looking forward to some plain and fancy cutting for Luther Deere and Benedict St. Jermaine sharpened 36 pairs of scissors for them.

All full-time boys and the instructor attended the annual welding conference at K. U., Thursday and Friday of last week. Each made a test coupon for the testing machine and Raymond Kruskie seems to be the best welder. What we didn't see in pictures or demonstrations or heard in lectures we brought home in the form of pamphlets. Benedict St. Jermaine seems to have brought back more literature than any one else.

Mr. Lowry brought in a fire hydrant with a longitudinal crack in the barrel. It was chipped out, put into the pre-heating oven and bronze welded by Alex Anywaush.—Walter Suagee.

Auto Shop: The students are looking forward to a trip to Kansas City to visit the equipment show and perhaps some of the manufacturing plants. The equipment show will be very interesting to auto mechanics as it will be an exhibit of the latest garage tools and equipment.

Jerome Whitefeather and part-timers are installing a new clutch in one of our 1936 Chevrolet trucks.

Houston Teehee is overhauling the ignition system on one of the model A Fords.

Robert Summers is having an interesting time making some improvements to the Mack bus.

The White truck and the gasoline engine used to spray trees were overhauled. The class made a study of this simple engine which embodies all the basic principles of gasoline engines used in automobiles.

We are sorry that Ben Shoemake has to be in the hospital this week. We understand that he had his tonsils taken out. This usually improves one's health and we hope soon to see him back better than ever.

Robert Carney is doing some work on various jobs including the Packard wrecker, while Joe Berger and Raymond Eddy have undertaken a hard job on the Holt caterpillar tractor.

Power Plant and Machine Shop: Most of the force has been working in the machine shop as all machinery is being motorized. The motorizing of these machines will be of great advantage to the operators. This also improves the looks of the shop.

The steam line to Mr. Anderson's residence has been completed and buried, but not forgotten.

Mr. Jackson's office desk has been returned from the paint shop this week. We congratulate the painters on their beautiful work.

The master sculptors of the power plant are now applying asbestos to the various pipe fittings. Their studios at present are located in the basement of the school building. The artists are Norman Freemont, Henry Staples and John Whipple.

We have three new members added to the firemen's crew. Nat Wilson has been added to the early morning crew and Marion Miller to the regular morning watch. Everett Renville has been added to the night shift.

Having one's tonsils removed seems to be the latest fad of the Haskellites. Those who joined in the craze from the plant are Roy Marlow and Malcolm Queton. Next "on deck" is Elliott Welch.—Marion Miller and Nat Wilson.

B. Y. P. U.

The Haskell B. Y. P. U., with the attendance of more than a hundred, was entertained in the forum room by Theta Epsilon of K. U.

Most of the evening was spent in playing games led by Helen Cunningham, the president of Theta Epsilon. Readings, a trombone solo, and singing was also enjoyed by the entire group.

President Ophella Tillman, our sponsors, Miss Macon and Mr. Washington, and members of the K. U. group were introduced by Rev. Thomas.

Frozen Pecan Crisp bars ended our happy evening. Thanks to Theta Epsilon and Rev. Thomas.—Leona Locust.

ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

By SLEIGH RUNNER

1937—HASKELL TRACK AND FIELD SPORTS—1937*

- Apr. 7. Haskell Inter-class Meet.
 Apr. 15. Ottawa university at Ottawa, Kansas.
 Apr. 17. Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kansas.
 Apr. 24. K. S. T. C. of Emporia at Emporia, Kansas.
 Apr. 30. Fort Scott Junior college at Fort Scott, Kansas.
 May 8. Baker university at Baldwin, Kansas.

*Subject to change.

SHORTS FROM LOCAL SPORTS

Seven members of the 1936-37 Haskell basketball squad will be in line for basketball awards this spring pending the athletic board's recognition of Coach Carmody's recommendations of Bernard Gregnon, Kenneth House, Willard Iron Wing, Jesse W. Samuels, Waco Robert Stewart, Raymond Tudor and Francis Wanageshik as candidates for the award. House, Tudor and Wanageshik are seniors. With Gregnon, Iron Wing, Samuels and Stewart, all regulars and first year men, eligible for continued play at Haskell Coach Carmody should be able to look forward to the 1937-38 cage season with bright prospects for a winning team.

HASKELL LETTERMEN: Peter Homer, baseball and lettermen's club ex-officio, is on the job at Yuma, Arizona, according to the Phoenix Redskin . . . Wilson "Buster" Charles, track, football and basketball, and the Mrs. have a new arrival in their household—a second Miss Charles . . . Lee McCombs, football 1930, is at the Uintah and Ouray Indian agency in Utah judging from the report he submitted to the latest number of Indians at Work which was tagged "Lee McCombs, Leader" . . . John Levi, four sports man, former Haskell coach and present Fort Wingate, New Mexico, Indian school coach, recently closed his basketball season with a record of 12 wins and 2 losses.

Pictures of the Haskell basketball and boxing squads of 1936-37 on display in the academic office of late have been "auctioned" to the public by William Taylor Johnson of the athletic force at 6 cents per. Some 130 photos were purchased by basketball and boxing admirers. The pictures are well worth the low sales cost.

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JUS' POPPIN' OFF: Warner Coffin, Kansas university Indian student and Lawrence Ban Johnson baseball player, is out for the Kansas nine up on the Hill this spring. Baseball, several years in discard on Mount Oread, will be played again . . . Murray L. Hill, local "pi" craftsman, campus musician extraordinary and Curtis hall's A-No. 1 attendant was among the first to detect the absence of that building's name in last week's roster of Haskell buildings appearing in the *Leader* . . . Address: Sam White, Casa Blanca, Arizona. (Sam was a 1929-30 Haskell football squad man).

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Fort Scott, Kansas, Junior college, No. 5 track date on the present Haskell cinder slate, won the Kemper Military school indoor college meet last Saturday night with 42 points. Kemper rang up 41 points for second honors. Kansas City Junior college came in third with 6. Saturday night's triumph of Fort Scott made it a fourth win for the Scots since 1932. Fort Scott outran the only Haskell Kansas Relay entry last year to win the Relay's junior college sprint medley relay. Haskell was second.

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SPRING SPORTS: The track turnout numbers 35 thus far which by far overshadows the 25 candidates out for spring grid practice. Track men are still in the warming up and learning processes of track technique. Football workouts under Coaches Carmody and Jones now consist of more or less of that old contact . . . The track and field records listed below were compiled from school periodicals. Corrections must be accompanied by satisfactory proofs.

HASKELL TRACK AND FIELD RECORDS

| EVENT | RECORD | RECORD HOLDERS | YR. EST. |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--|----------|
| 100 yard dash | 9.9 | Wilson Charles jr. | 1929 |
| 220 yard dash | 21.6 | Wilson Charles jr. | 1929 |
| 440 yard run | 48.6 | Lawrence Skippergosh | 1931 |
| 880 yard run | 1:54.4 | Lawrence Whitebird | 1925 |
| 1500 meter run | 4:09.4 | Phillip Osif | 1927 |
| One mile run | 4:31.3 | Cyrus Walking | 1928 |
| 3000 meter run | 9:03.5 | Phillip Osif | 1926 |
| Two mile run | 9:28.3 | Phillip Osif | 1927 |
| Six mile run | 31:31.0 | Phillip Osif | 1926 |
| 10,000 meter run | 34:50.3 | Elliott Antoine | 1924 |
| 120-yard high hurdles | 15.4 | George Klipp | 1924 |
| 220-yard low hurdles | 24.9 | Wilson Charles jr. | 1929 |
| Broad jump | 23 ft. 10½ in. | Wilson Charles jr. | 1930 |
| High jump | 6 ft. 2¾ in. | Wilson Charles jr. | 1931 |
| Pole vault | 11 ft. 4 in. | Monroe Brightman | 1930 |
| Shot put | 45 ft. 5½ in. | George Meachem | 1932 |
| Javelin | 184 ft. 8½ in. | Robert Holmes | 1932 |
| Discus | 138 ft. 4 in. | Francis Auge | 1923 |
| Decathlon | 7313.343 | Wilson Charles jr. | 1929 |
| 880 yard relay | 1:31.0 | James Grant, James Winnie, Melvin Winnie, Lehman Brightman | 1927 |
| One mile relay | 3:23.3 | Enoch Jim, Dan Howard, Robert Holmes, Lawrence Skippergosh | 1931 |
| Two mile relay | 7:59.3 & 8:03.3 | Phillip Osif, John Roberts, Cyrus Walking, Simon Manuel | 1927 |
| Sprint relay* | 3:33.3 | James Grant, James Winnie, Lehman Brightman, Phillip Osif | 1927 |
| Distance medley relay | 7:43.1 | Simon Manuel, James Winnie, Cyrus Walking, Phillip Osif | 1927 |

*(440, 220, 220, 880)

THE WAKARUSA VALLEY ARROWS: The Columbian Steel Tank company of Kansas City, Missouri, closed the Arrows' season with a game played two weeks ago tonight . . . Besides hanging up their basketball "belongings" for the year the Arrows also hung up a record of 14 victories to 3 defeats for a winning percentage of 826 . . . The season's big wins were scored over Fort Leavenworth Guard and Service and "Y" teams and Columbian Steel. Defeats came from Royal Shoes twice, and Columbian Steel in a return game.

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NEWSPRINT: "Tom-toms sounded through the Osage Indian nation last week in a greeting to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt . . . Indians filled her hands with gifts . . . 'Hey!' yelled Chief Eugene Standing Bear . . . 'we're doing these dances for Mrs. Roosevelt. Stand back so she can see.' 'I want the members of the Osage nation to cherish forever the memory of this day,' said venerable Chief Lookout . . . 'I shall take back to the President a full story of all I have seen,' Mrs. Roosevelt responded. 'Perhaps after this we'll understand a little better the things you are doing. I am touched by your welcome.' . . . Mrs. Roosevelt was met by Chief Lookout, Mrs. Lookout, and their young grandson, little Eugene Standing Bear jr., together with C. L. Ellis, acting superintendent of the agency. Pawhuska declared a holiday . . . Eugene Standing Bear . . . rode a prancing pony on one side of her open car . . . " [Eugene Standing Bear is a former Haskell student and was an outstanding track star while here.]

HASKELL LIBRARY

During the past three months many changes have been made in the library. A number of new books have been placed upon the shelves and several books from the downstairs library have been moved upstairs. The Tulsa Daily World may be found on the reading table each day. The Sunday edition of the Denver Post, the Kansas City Times, Kansas City Star, Lawrence Journal World, a number of weekly newspapers and many school exchanges are also received regularly.

These papers seem to have attracted many students to the library who at first came only to read the newspapers, but as well as reading the news, they became interested also in the books on the shelves. Many students spend a great deal of time examining the books on the shelves and selecting desirable books. Many days as many as sixty books are checked out in addition to the reference reading done in the library in the "reserve books." Last Monday night twenty boys used the library during the boys' reading period from seven until nine o'clock. As yet, it seems that spring fever has had no ill effects upon the use of the library.

The most recent addition to our book list is a beautifully bound copy of "President Trujillo, His Work, and the Dominican Republic" by Lawrence de Besault. This book is a gift to the library from the Dominican Republic Legation at Washington, D. C. It gives an account of the work done by President Trujillo in the development of the republic. Come in and become acquainted with this interesting book and learn more about your neighbors in the West Indies.—Leo Martell.

NEWS OF FORMER STUDENTS

Freda Miller, home economics '36, of 1908 Morres River Drive, Lansing, Michigan, sends for a two years' subscription to *The Indian Leader*.

The marriage of Juanda Ernestine Pappan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Pappan, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, formerly of Lawrence, to Richard P. Martin, also of Albuquerque, took place recently in that city.

In a letter from Mrs. Jefferson Owl (Juanita Sharp, home economics '36), of Whittier, North Carolina, we learn of the death of Lloyd Owl, brother of Jeff, vocational '36, on March 6. Lloyd was a student here in 1928.

Henry Roberts jr. '27, is getting his *Leader* at 305 N. Lake street, Ponca City, Oklahoma. "Jack" has been playing semi-pro basketball with an Indian team of the home state. They played as far east as New York and west to Denver and enjoyed a successful season.

Bernice Nichols, commercial '36, sends for a two years' subscription to *The Indian Leader* from the Cheyenne River Indian agency in South Dakota. She writes: "We have quite a colony of Haskellites here at Cheyenne River and perhaps you would be interested in knowing who some of them are. There's Hazel Downing Wilson, Edna Audette Thornton, Majel Bowker Leith and, of course, myself here at the agency office. Then, others scattered around are Ethel Frazier Larvie, Catsby Raven Bowker and Edna Raven. Joe Condon also works in the office here. My regards to all who might remember me."

SUE DOWNING

Effie Downing was called home last Thursday by the death of her sister, Sue Downing '35. Miss Downing entered the Indian Service and had served at Fort Defiance, Window Rock and Albuquerque, where she was employed at the time of her death. Burial was at the family home in Locust Grove, Oklahoma, on March 22, from the Presbyterian church. Effie returned to school Tuesday of this week.

MYRTIS WHITLOW SHEPHERD

From the Indian hospital at Shawnee, Oklahoma, we learn the sad news of the death of Mrs. Pete Shepherd (Myrtis Whitlow, commercial '33,) on March 13. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved husband and relatives.

W. T. Johnson, head of the commercial department, has the following statement concerning (Myrtis Whitlow):

"Myrtis Whitlow was enrolled in Haskell Institute in September, 1928, and was graduated from our commercial department in June, 1933. Her record in school was superior. She was trained in office work and proved herself to be adapted to do either accounting or stenography. Miss Whitlow was popular with the student body and had many friends among the faculty."

ED MARTIN

SOUGHT TRADE WITH INDIANS 200 YEARS AGO

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are going to run and jump as roe fawns; and live in peace with them who were our enemies. Ah, the happy day that has seen you among us, my father."

Since the Commanche never before had seen firearms, Bourgmont and his men demonstrated their use. Riding alongside a buffalo, Bourgmont astonished the Commanche by drawing a pistol and killing the animal by shooting it in the ear. Aside from the geographical knowledge, Bourgmont's expedition had no value. Already the French were trading with the Indians whose villages abutted the Missouri river and they did not have sufficient trade goods to trade with the Commanche. The explorers returned to Ft. Orleans on the Missouri river near the mouth of the Osage.

AN EARLY JOURNEY TO SANTA FE

Another of the memoirs which Miss Paddock has translated deals with the first overland journey to Santa Fe by the Mallet brothers whose wanderings rank them on a par with LaSalle, Pierre and Paul Mallet, Canadians, had heard of the wealth of Santa Fe, where men wore silver buttons on their clothing and girls had silver heels for their slippers, although they lacked for the common necessities.

The Mallets transported trade goods by way of the Great Lakes to the Illinois river, descended that stream to the Mississippi, ascended the Missouri in pirogues to the mouth of the Platte and there bought horses from Pawnee, transferred their goods to horse packs and set out for the southwest. They left the Platte's mouth, June 2, 1739, and arrived in Santa Fe July 24, which was swift traveling, for they were entirely ignorant of the country and had to find the passes through the Rockies. They entered New Mexico by way of Taos. That they really made the journey is attested by the governor of Santa Fe who gave them a certificate including the names of the members of the party, who, in addition to the Mallets, included: Philippe Robitaille, Louis Morin, Michel Be-leau, Joseph Bellecourt and Manuel Gallien, all of Canada, and Jean David of France.

The governor favored trade with the Frenchmen, for it was 2000 miles to Vera Cruz, whence came the annual mule caravan bearing Spanish merchandise over an Apache-infested trail. The governor wrote to the governor at Chihuahua asking permission to set aside the Spanish laws prohibiting free trade. The Chihuahua executive sent the matter on to the City of Mexico, and then it was referred to the royal ministers in Madrid. It was almost a year before the reply came and the answer was unfavorable.

In the meantime the Canadians enjoyed Santa Fe. Morin not only was charmed with the country, but was charmed with one of the *senoritas* whom he married. He never returned to Canada, but reared a family and the name of Morin appears today among the Spanish families of New Mexico.

THE RETURN JOURNEY

Denied permission to trade, the Mallets started northward. They came out by way of Raton Pass, taking note of the headwaters of the Canadian river en route. They followed the Purgatory to its junction with the Arkansas near Las Animas, Colorado, and speculated as to what stream it might be. They decided to explore it, but three of the seven demurred. They were homesick for the apple orchards of the St. Lawrence valley and did not wish to lose time exploring rivers. Since this was purely a private expedition,

with the Mallets acting as captains merely by common consent, the party of seven split far out on the plains where a hundred years later men did not dare to travel except in caravans for mutual defense. But the Frenchmen had no thought of Indian perils, for they had the knack of winning the regard of the Indians which their English-speaking cousins seldom mastered.

Three marched directly across country to the Missouri and arrived in Montreal before cider-making time. The two Mallets, Robitaille and Be-leau went down the Arkansas, mapping its course in their mind so that they could draw a fair map of the region from memory, and arrived at the mouth of the Canadian river, where a few miles below, they came upon a party of other Canadians who had come up the Arkansas from Arkansas Post in a pirogue. The Mallets now knew they were on the Arkansas and descended the river. Incidentally, the Canadian river takes its name from the Mallet brothers. The Spaniards called the upper waters of the Canadian the Colorado and not Canadian. It is now marked on all old Spanish maps and is so named in Spanish journals.

The Mallets descended the Mississippi to New Orleans and reported their explorations to Bienville, the governor, who had previously sent expeditions to discover the route to Santa Fe without results. Bienville now dispatched Andre Fabry de la Bruyere, a royal officer, to back-track on the route of the Mallet brothers with instructions to branch off by way of the Canadian river, which the Mallets correctly conjectured arose "less than forty leagues from Santa Fe." While their conjecture was correct, they did not know that the Canadian flows mostly under sand. Bienville hoped that Bruyere would be able to negotiate with the Spaniards more successfully than the Mallets because of his official rank, and that it would be possible to exchange French merchandise to be transported by pirogue for Spanish silver. The Mallets accompanied Bruyere as guides.

When Bruyere's pirogue was grounded by low water in Central Oklahoma where the Canadian dwindled to a mere brook, the Mallets proposed that he buy horses from the Osages and complete the journey, for they estimated they were not more than twenty-two days away from Santa Fe by easy marches. Bruyere neglected to buy horses until the Osages had disappeared from that part of the region. Finally the Mallets proposed that they walk, but Bruyere would not go unless he could take his chest of clothing which was aboard the pirogue, for he wanted to dress like an ambassador and have soldiers in splendid uniforms. Since it was not practical to carry chests, Bruyere waited six months for the Canadian to rise, but it was a dry year and the Canadian remained a mere rill, although its wide sandy bed—nearly a mile in width in places—revealed that at times it was a real river. Finally he returned to New Orleans and the Santa Fe trade awaited the passage of eight-two years and the enterprise of William Becknell and his Missouri associates, who needed no better uniform than buckskins.

The Mallet brothers made their way back to Canada and disappeared from the history of the southwest.

HUGE GEM IN MAYAN RUINS

An almost priceless piece of jade weighing 200 pounds has been found by Carnegie institution archeologists unearthing remains of an ancient Mayan village in Central America. The huge gem was buried under a stairway leading into a pyramid tomb near Yantemala City.—Kansas City Times.