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The Cook Twins — Anna Jo and Betty Jo — are known to all Western Kentucky State Teachers College basketball fans as two petite, charming, live-wire cheer-leaders. However, their fame in yell-leading has not overshadowed their success in other fields. For the past three years, they have entertained the listeners of radio station WLBK in Bowling Green with their renditions of popular numbers. Since enrolling at Western in September, 1944, they have made approximately 200 personal appearances, appearing on programs sponsored by civic organizations, clubs, banquets and festivals.

In 1944, the twins made the annual eastern tour with Coach Ed Diddle's Hilltoppers to appear in Madison Square Garden, New York, Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Memorial Auditorium, Buffalo and at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

Anna Jo and Betty Jo, now juniors at Western, are leading cheers for the third year for the Hilltoppers. Including their high school days as yell leaders at London, Ky., this is their eighth year in leading organized cheering. The eighteen-year-old twins were first seen in action in the 1944 State High School Tournament at Lexington by Coach Diddle, who persuaded them to enter Western.

The Cook Twins are majoring in English and have selected History and Spanish as their minor field, both are excellent students and are popular with the faculty members at Western as well as the student body.

Acting as accompanist for the past five months for
Anna Jo and Betty Jo has been Mary Helen Larkin, of Madisonville.
Mary Helen, a sophomore, is a music major at Western who combines
brains with beauty. A talented pianist, Mary Helen was recently
nominated for the Bowling Green Lions Club Beauty Contest.