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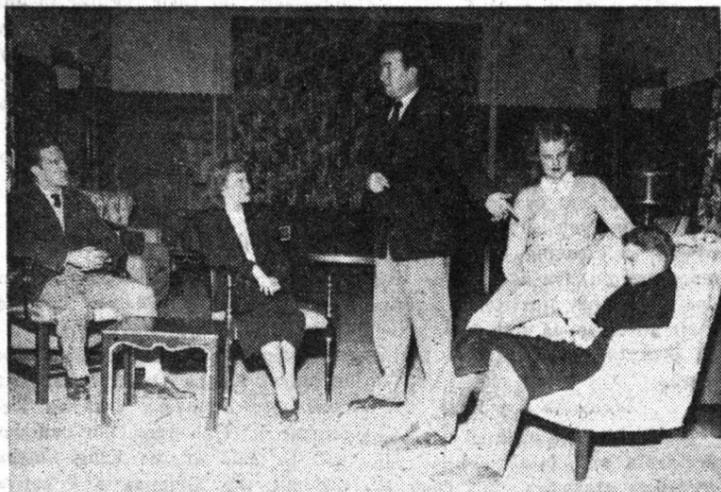
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## Scene From The Dover Road



The players pictured in this posed scene are, left to right: Jimmy Davis, Jane Phelps, Eugene Schaeffer, Leona DeMere, and Bill Hatchett. Members of the cast not pictured are Walter Lazenby, Jim Lapsley, Gloria Batson, Betty Hoye and Bill Rankin.

## Eloping Pair Meet Former Spouses

What happens when an eloping couple meet his estranged wife and her former husband in a lonely house on "The Dover Road"?

The Southwestern Players will provide the answer on Thursday and Friday, December 9 and 10, when they present A. A. Milne's "absurd comedy," "The Dover Road."

Leading parts will be taken by Jim Davis, Jane Phelps, Bill Hatchett, Gene Schaeffer, Leona DeMere, and Prof. George Totten.

The action takes place in the house of a Mr. Latimer, a wealthy recluse who lives on the road to Dover, traveled by many eloping couples who are hurrying to France to be secretly married. Mr. Latimer's ingenuity is strained to the breaking point when a couple who have previously been married but are now separated, find themselves in Mr. Latimer's house. To make matters more complicated, the ex-wife is accompanied by another man and her former husband by another woman.

To learn the outcome, you will have to see the play. Curtain time on both nights is eight o'clock and tickets are 35 cents.

## Debate Tournament On Lynx Campus

Last Thursday afternoon at the regular meeting the Southwestern debaters had a practice debate with Bill Rawlins and Denby Brandon taking the affirmative and Tommy Stergios and Gerald Pierce the negative on the "Federal Aid to Education" question. After the experience of the Ole Miss Tournament the squad is busily incorporating the new points that were found to be essential.

An invitation has been extended to Arkansas State and Memphis State to come to the Lynx campus for a Round Robin Tourney December 14. Each team will alternately handle both sides of the question. The next major tourney in store for the team will be the Mid-West Tourney which is scheduled during the week between semesters, January 2-February 3.

## Lynx's Policy Is Changed For '49

### College Makes Gift To Each Student

The college is inaugurating a new policy with respect to distribution of the Lynx for this year. Heretofore students desiring a copy of the annual were required to pay \$5.00, and for the past few years only about one-half of the students acquired a copy of the annual.

### Money Refunded

It is the wish of the college authorities that each student have a copy of the annual, and in order to insure this no charge will be made this year. Those students who have already subscribed and paid for their annual will have their money refunded. Announcement will be made in chapel regarding the refunds. Special students will be required to pay \$5.00 for a copy of the annual.

It is hoped that receipts from advertising will offset the loss of revenue from the sale of the annual, and that the experiment for this year will prove successful.

### Help!

Bill Hopkins, business manager for the Lynx, requests that anyone desiring to work on the business staff please contact him, or submit a letter stating the qualifications of the applicant.

Letters may be left in the mail box provided for the Lynx in the Registrar's Office.

## UWF To Conduct Poll Friday

The UWF will conduct a student opinion poll in chapel Friday and Saturday mornings as to whether or not the United States should become a member of the proposed Western Military Alliance. The results of this poll will be sent to Congress in the form of a petition, request action on the matter.

### Principle Of Alliance

The principle of the Alliance, as it is now being drawn up, is that the member countries shall confer with one another, in the event a nation declares war on any of the members of the Alliance. After conferring, each member state shall decide what action it will take against the aggressor. As it now appears the countries affected will be Great Britain, France, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, the United States and Canada.

### Bruce To Speak

In conjunction with this poll, Prof. Neil F. Bruce will give a talk on the Alliance, which will be followed by general discussion, at the meeting of the United World Federalists Thursday night. This meeting will be in 100 Palmer Hall at 7 p.m. All members of the student body and the faculty are cordially invited to attend.

### Hog Callers

All Arkansawyers who are interested in forming the Arkansas Hog Callers Association please meet with Burrell Dobbs in the Sou'wester office Wednesday at 6:30.

## Student Leaders

John Millard, chairman of the Christian Union Service Committee, made the first statement this week about the major service drive of the year sponsored by the Christian Union.

A meeting is being called next Tuesday, December 14, from 11:00 to 12:00 for 60 of the student leaders on the campus who will decide the exact nature and amount of the drive.

## G. I. Insurance

A representative of the insurance division of the Veterans Administration in Nashville, Tennessee will be on the campus on Tuesday, December 14, 1948 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Veterans' Office, lower level of Neely Hall.

Service on reinstatement, change of beneficiary, conversion, election of mode of settlement, etc., will be available.

## Chi O And SAE Win All-Sing

Chi Omega Sorority and Sigma Alpha Epsilon received top honors at the Kappa Delta All-Sing, held last Friday night in Hardie Auditorium. Alpha Omicron Pi and Sigma Nu placed second.

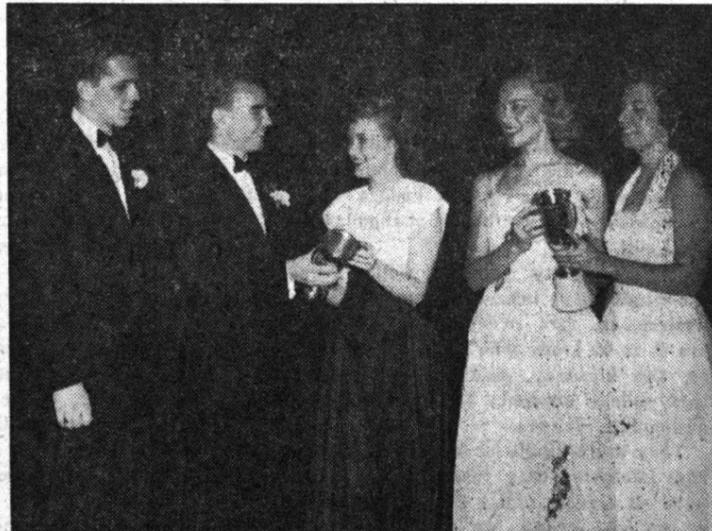
The singing contest was sponsored by Kappa Delta to raise money to adopt a European War orphan, and to promote group singing on the campus.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon won its championship cup by its handling of "Stout-Hearted Men" and "Ole Man River." Leslie Thompson, baritone soloist, both directed and accompanied the group.

The Chi Omega singers, in white evening dresses, sang the Fred Waring arrangements of "In the Still of the Night" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." They were directed by Lois Philpot.

The program was opened with an introduction by Kappa Delta and followed by four groups, intermission, and the last four groups. After the judging by Mr. Earl Moreland, program chairman of Station WMC, Mrs. Moreland, and Mrs. E. C. Kelly of Memphis, the cups were presented to Vinton Cole and Leslie Thompson by Jane Phelps, president of Kappa Delta.

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Jane Phelps, president of Kappa Delta Sorority, presents cup to the fraternity and sorority winners of the All-Sing. Leslie Thompson and Dan Hawthorn, of SAE, and Vinton Cole and Lois Philpot, of Chi O, receive the honors.

## Pre-Registration December 7-10

### Students Classified Now Will Gain Extra Day

The Registrar's Office has announced that pre-registration for the second semester will be held Tuesday, December 7 through Friday, December 10. Students who complete their classification at that time will gain an extra day between semesters and need not report until February 2.

### Procedure

To avoid the excessive number of later changes that were made last year, the students are asked to come to the registrar's office, obtain a copy of the schedule, and bring it back with their second semester courses marked and initialed by their faculty advisers. The four days allowed for pre-registration will give them ample time to do this.

Fees for the second semester may be paid at any time prior to five o'clock p.m., February 1. Thereafter a delayed registration fee will be charged.

### Important

In order that an adequate supply of text books may be secured and definite information obtained as to what elective courses are needed, it is most important that every student who expects to return for the second semester complete his registration at this time.

Among the courses not being given this semester that are scheduled

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## Chaplain Barry Will Address Club Friday

The Ministerial Club will meet in the Bell Room at 6:00 Friday evening, December 10, 1948. The speaker for the evening will be Chaplain Barry of Kennedy General Hospital. His talk will be on "Hospital Chaplains and Their Place and Importance in the Field of Christian Service."

This year's program will include several talks of this type covering different fields of religious activity. In this way the needs, advantages, and problems of the various fields of Christian activity will be discussed by specialists in each particular field.

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## Sweating It Out Yea Team!

The Southwestern debate team expects a very successful season this year. Denby Brandon and Bill Rawlins, who won 23 out of 28 tourneys and first place in the Southern Tournament last year, are still here to lead the team, and from all indications are better than before.

Most students are not aware of the long and hard work required in preparing a question. Before the last debate, for example, Bill and Denby spent approximately 20 hours in preparation.

Give these boys your support and watch for victory.

## Guilty Conscience?

Mentioned elsewhere in this issue is a meeting of the students leaders on December 14th to decide the recipient and amount of the major service drive for this year.

Last year a goal of \$1,200, with which to pay the salary of President Baen E. Lee of Hangchow College for one year, was easily reached. We should do better this year.

We in America have a strong tendency to put from mind the unpleasant fact that much poverty and suffering exists in other countries. Perhaps we do not wish to think of this suffering because we know that it is our DUTY to help our less fortunate fellow men, but are too selfish to do so.

Let us face our conscience for a few weeks and contribute to a worthy cause.

## We're Poor Risks

The material on safe driving which appears in this and following issues is through the courtesy of Lumbermens Casualty Company and the National Safety Council. These organizations consider us poor risks as automobile drivers, and are sponsoring a nation-wide campaign in college newspapers in an effort to change statistics.

Traffic safety experts, police commissioners, insurance underwriters—in fact everyone whose job it is to know who kills whom on the highway, and why—say that college students are terrible automobile drivers.

They don't single us out as college students; they just lump us with all drivers under 25 and say as an age group, we are about the worst drivers on the road.

Are we? Are college students good, bad or indifferent automobile drivers? If a driver is judged by the style, dash and elan with which

## "States Rights" For Chapters?

By George Starr Lasher, publicity director National Interfraternity Conference, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio

Consideration of the question of what to do in regard to racial discrimination among college fraternities was postponed for one year by the National Interfraternity Conference at its 40th annual session held at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 26-27. The National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council, meeting at the same time, recommended that a committee be appointed to study "the changing conditions concerning fraternity membership." These resolutions followed spirited discussion in regard to the right of fraternities to restrict membership on the basis of race, creed, or color.

### What's Your Opinion?

The resolution referred to the 58 member fraternities for study preliminary to decision next year asserts the right of a fraternity to select its own members free from any domination or pressure on the part of an educational institution, making whatever restrictions it sees fit, including religious, racial, or nationality qualifications. In cases not governed by national restrictions or by custom or tradition binding upon the chapter, the conference, according to the resolution, would recognize the right of the chapter member to vote upon prospective members as he sees fit. The resolution continues, "The conference, however, believes that the fraternity system will flourish better if the character and personality of the individual are regarded as paramount, rather than his race, color, religion, or nationality."

### Undergraduates

Discussion of membership restrictions was liveliest in the undergraduate session, attended by 188 delegates and alternates from more than sixty councils from every section of the country. A number of votes were taken to show the attitude of the various councils in regard to membership restrictions. Nineteen councils were recorded as favoring complete autonomy; 36 felt that national fraternity regulations should be followed; 6 did not vote.

On the question, "Should fraternities that have discriminatory clauses in their constitutions in regard to color eliminate such clauses?" 12 voted yes; 25 no; 18 abstained. Only four felt that fraternities which limit their membership to a certain religious faith should be eliminated.

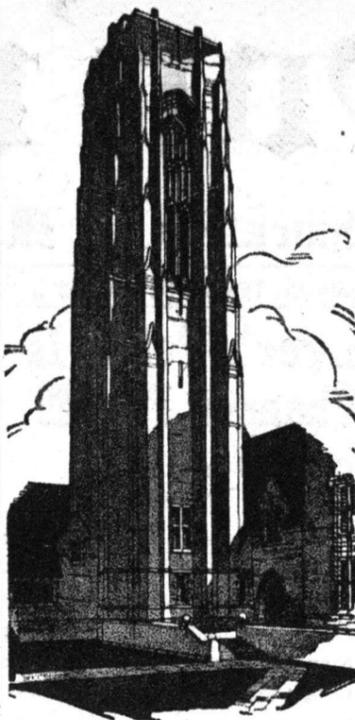
he handles a car, we probably would rank at the top.

But, unfortunately, a good driver is not a dashing driver. A good driver is a safe, courteous driver. And, according to the statistics, we don't stack up so well.

Consider these simple facts and you'll see why. Last year 32,300 men women and children were killed by motor vehicles in the United States, and drivers between the ages of 18 and 24 were involved in 27 per cent of these fatal accidents.

And that's just part of the story. Our record as drivers has been so consistently bad that more than 40 states have raised the premium that insurance companies are allowed to charge for automobile coverage if anyone under 25 is a frequent operator of an insured car.

Even with the extra premium they're allowed, insurance companies shy away from our business. They say they can't break even because we have too many accidents, and that too many of



## Chapel Chimes

By Bill Brown

It is said that the angels were once moved by the godly and beautiful life of a saint on the earth who, wherever he went, diffused goodness as a flower diffuses the sweetness of its odor. Greatly interested, they came down to investigate the secret of his power.

So impressed were the angels with the life of this saint that they summoned him to them and offered him the gift of miracles. By the touch of his hand he would be able to heal the sick or raise the dead. But the saint declined the gift, saying that God alone could heal the sick. They then offered him the power to convert sinners and turn men unto repentance. Again the saint declined, saying that only the Holy Spirit could work the grace of repentance in human souls. The angels then offered the saint the power to become a model of goodness, so that men might be drawn to him by the virtue of his life. But this, too, the saint declined, declaring that if men were drawn to him they might be estranged from God.

Perplexed, the angels then asked him what he desired. The saint answered, "That I might have His grace, so that I might do good to men without knowing it." Then the angels decreed among themselves that wherever the shadow of this saint fell where he himself could not see it, the shadow should cure disease and heal broken hearts and wipe away tears.

If you had your choice of miracles, what would you choose?

our accidents are serious or fatal accidents.

That's why they call us poor risks.

We think it's a challenge—a collective challenge that each one of us must meet individually. Individually, we must drive carefully because only in that way can we avoid accidents. And only by avoiding accidents can we rid ourselves of the label each of us, whether deserved or not, wears when driving. It reads: Beware—careless, irresponsible, dangerous driver at the wheel.

In case you don't mind being labelled as dangerous, this fact should startle you into becoming a better driver. Last year one in every 3,236 persons in our age group was killed in an automobile accident.

Based on the estimated college population of 2,400,000, this means that approximately 741 students will be killed in crashes this year.

Remember, carelessness kills, and one of the persons it might kill is you.

## Driving Is A Full-Time Job

By Wilbur Shaw, President of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and three-time winner of the famous 500-mile Memorial Day race to be held for the thirty-third time on May 30, 1949.

It's still open season on automobile drivers and passengers. Even though you have lived through football traffic this fall, it might be well to take a good look at your chances of surviving the Christmas holidays and greeting the New Year.

With the added hazards of ice and snow, your chances are slim indeed unless you regard the operation of your car as a full-time job every time you climb behind the wheel. It's amazing, really, that so many people live as long as they do when they insist on driving their automobiles with their minds on everything except the job at hand.

### Accidents Are Real

Most of us are inclined to regard accidents and fatalities as uninteresting statistics. But they are not numbers. They are people. It wouldn't be so bad if the victims were not useful, likable, dependable American citizens.

The trouble is, accidents never seem to distinguish between the useful and the non-useful. Indifference gets a good driver into trouble just as quickly as anyone else.

### "And Sudden Death"

Everyone has heard and seen a lot of slogans intended to remind us of the heavy penalty which we may have to pay for one little bit of carelessness while driving an automobile. But apparently nothing has impressed most of us with the real seriousness of the situation. As in the Readers' Digest story of a number of years ago, entitled "And Sudden Death," we are all prone to think that the accident is always going to happen to the other fellow.

That story had the punch and the phrasing which put you right in the car with the victims. There is nothing quite so sickening or unsightly as an individual—or even worse, a group of individuals—all ground up by glass and metal right at a time when they were having a lot of fun.

### Rubber Neck

Most of us get a kick out of driving fast and there is no use to deny it. But it scares me to death to ride with someone who insists on looking around to see if his passengers are still there. Long experience has taught me that the passengers will remain in the car if the driver will keep it on the road and out of trouble.

Another thing that seems to get a lot of young drivers into trouble is the sight of something extremely nice on the sidewalk. They give it all of their attention while the car rolls on down the street. If it's really worth looking at, pull up to a stop. Take a darned good look. Then go on. That is the least you can do in deference to the individual you are looking at and the people you might hit or run over while you are not watching what you are doing.

### It Is Simple

The whole safety story can be finalized—and a great many unfortunate accidents avoided—if all of us simply take the time to be courteous and considerate. It is amazing to see so many people, normally courteous and considerate in everything they do, become bull-dozer-minded. They act like speed demons simply because they have a steering wheel in their hands and control more "horses" than Caesar ever handled at one time.

A lot of horsepower is wonderful



## Club Talk

### Christian Union

Christian Union members heard a report on the "World Church Movement" at their regular forum at 3:45 last Friday afternoon in the Kappa Alpha Lodge. Denby Brandon who attended the Christian Youth Conference of North America at Grand Rapids, Michigan, in August, delivered the inspiring address.

### Alpha Omicron Pi

Alpha Omicron Pi was founded on January 2 1897 at Barnard College Columbia University N. Y. However, because of the Christmas holidays, Kappa Omicron chapter celebrates Founders' Day on December 8. This year the banquet will be held at the King Cotton and all the alumnae and active members will attend.

After a turkey dinner a skit will be given by the actives and a gift will be presented to the active chapter by the alumnae. Christmas presents will be brought for the Nursing Foundation in Kentucky, also donations will be given for the Ruby Fund. Betty Lott is in charge of arrangements.

### New AOPi's

Monday, November 29th was a big day for Kappa Omicron Chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi for they not only initiated Pattye Smith, but they also pledged Joanne Campbell. Pattye, a second semester freshman, was maid to the Homecoming Queen, and is the sister of Alan and Clyde Smith, both Southwestern students. Joanne is a sophomore and comes from Blytheville, Arkansas.

### Torch Entertained

Members of Torch, honorary women's organization, entertained Saturday, December 4, at 1:00 with its annual "B" luncheon in the Chi Omega Lodge. Nearly 100 women students with a "B" average for the first eight weeks of this term were guests of the Torch members.

Entertainment featured a group of vocal selections including "Jim-enema Mia," "In The Forest," and "The Lilac Tree," sung by Ann Brown, accompanied by Jeanne Patterson.

Members of Torch, all of whom helped with the luncheon, include Ella Bailey, Vinton Cole, Dot Fenton, Nancy Little, Margaret Loaring-Clark, and Peggy Marshall.

### Y. W. C. A.

The December meeting of the Y.W.C.A. was held last Monday afternoon at 4:00 in Voorhies Playroom. After refreshments were served, the members sang Christmas carols led by Leslie Thompson. May Brown Mount played several selections on the harp.

As their Christmas project "Y" members will be in charge of the games at the Christian Union Christmas party for poor children.

and our modern automobiles naturally give an individual a sense of power, but it must be used discreetly and with consideration.

The person you kill might be a grand guy and you certainly don't want to make a number out of him. In the interests of self-preservation, always remember that individual might be you.



# SPORTS

## from the SIDELINES

By Jack Hall

Now that football around these parts has just about gasped its last, the time has come for everyone to get hot for this game of basketball. It doesn't take much to pack our gym, you know, so you'd better come early any and all times the Lynx five are showing their wares at home this year. . . . You'll see some fine basketball. I guess Coach Clemens is going to have to get out the axe and cut the squad one of these days, but it must be a gratifying sight to his eyes to see between twenty-five and thirty men battling it out for a place on the squad.

### Lynx Defeat Appliance Team

The boys engaged in a little scrimmage game with the General Appliance team the other day, and it was a fine time for the home team. We led by a 60-30 count at the final whistle, according to an unofficial score-keeper, and Clemens was shooting all his boys into the game to see their reactions under fire. General Appliance is admittedly not the caliber of opposition Southwestern will be facing during the approaching season, but on the other hand they were far from a slouch of a ball club. We really looked good from most any aspect of the game, with the possible exception of a few "traveling" penalties, and those were caused by just a little too much eagerness.

### Roark and Coley Are Hot

Eldon Roark and Billy Coley were hitting the basket well from their respective forward shots, and Derr's wheel shots and tip-ins were connecting with pleasing regularity. Lester Graves, a member of Central High's fine team last year, showed up as an extremely alert and aggressive ball player. He's a freshman, but he'll play a good bit of ball this year if that performance is indicative of what he can do. Some smooth ball handling and sharp passing was seen in Milton Newton from his role as reserve guard, and little Jimmy G. was all over the court as usual.

### Memphis State Smarting

Come to think of it, I guess this is our year to pin back the ears of that Memphis State tiger. We came awfully close to accomplishing that feat last year, you remember, and with the material we have this year I'll surely go along with the Red and Black in that encounter. I've heard that State is still smarting from that defeat we gave them in Track last spring; I'd like to take them in basketball also—and then see the sparks fly!!

### Chance For Non-Subsidized

Basketball is one of the few major sports that an unsubsidized school can develop to a degree comparable with a school laden with athletic scholarships, and it is for that reason that we'd all like to see Southwestern earn herself a really creditable win-record this year.

The Coach is working hard, the boys working hard, so let's all get behind the team and give them all the student support that they deserve—the results will be worth the effort.

### FIRST GAME

The Lynx Cats will leave Southwestern at 2:00 Saturday for Jackson, Tennessee, where they will meet the Lambuth five in their new gym at 8:00.

Due to the difficulty of deciding between the many excellent boys out, Coach Clemens has been unable to announce who will go to Jackson.

### NSA Begins Drive For Displaced Persons

The United States National Student Association has begun its drive to enable displaced persons to attend American colleges next fall.

NSA, in cooperation with the President's Commission for Administration of Public Law 774 and with the major religious resettlement agencies, has been assigned the task of finding housing, part-time jobs for self-support,

and scholarships or tuition-waivers for DP students.

NSA's sub-commission at Harvard University is in charge of the program and has begun sending instructions to the 265 NSA member colleges and universities on how to arrange for the DP's at their institutions.

After they have assured financial support for the new students, NSA delegations in the member colleges will ask the presidents of their institutions to sign "assurances" that the students will be admitted.

### New Courses Next Term

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uled for the second semester are the following:

Economics 28, Labor Problems, Prof. Hon.

Education 44, History and Philosophy of Education, Prof. C. L. Townsend.

Education 51, Practice Teaching, Prof. Diehl.

English 50, The Age of Johnson, Prof. McGee.

English 57, Modern Literature, Prof. Vowles.

English 58, Milton and His Times, Prof. Wolf.

English 60, Victorian Literature and Victorian Thought, Prof. Weese.

French 52, The Seventeenth Century, Prof. Wenger.

Geography 22, Geography of Latin America, Prof. Wassermann.

History 41, Central and South America, Prof. Angeles.

Latin 46, Composition, Prof. Kent, and

Latin 56, Roman Philosophy, Prof. Robinson.

Political Science 42, American Constitutional Law, Prof. Lowry.

Psychology 34, Personality, and Psychology 36, Experimental, Prof. Andersen.

Sociology 32, Field Studies, Prof. Quinn.

Dr. C. L. Townsend's course in Russian Sociology will continue through the second semester as Sociology 38. Students may enter the course without having had Sociology 37.

The following first semester courses will be repeated in the second semester upon sufficient demand:

Bible 1, The Old Testament.

English 1, Composition and Reading, first part.

Mathematics 1, College Algebra.

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### Chi Omega Sorority Is Victor In Intramural Archery Tournament

#### Volleyball Tourney Underway This Week

By Virginia Jones

#### Archery

Chi Omega Sorority won the intramural archery tournament by amassing 218 points in two rounds at 30 yards. Their nearest competitor was Kappa Delta who placed second with 210 tallies. The Chi O team composed of Sally Howard, Eloise Cooper, Vinton Cole, and Lois Philpot, consistently shot their arrows in the proximity of the bullseye, and yet not one of the quartet was among the high scorers of the evening. Louise Jackson of the Independents came first with 72 points followed by KD's Sara Cooper with 68 and AOPi's Barbara Cullins with 56.

Chi O led at the end of the first round with 105, thus scoring 113 in the second round. KD, who only totaled 78 points in the first half, set their pins on the target, and Jane Phelps placed 4 of her 6 arrows in the yellow to help bring their final score within eight points of the trophy.

#### Volleyball

The volleyball tournament got off to a fine start last Thursday evening as Zeta Tau Alpha, Chi Omega, the Independents, and Transfers won their initial bouts and advanced to the second round in the quasi-elimimative tourney.

The Frosh downed AOPi 43-25, Chi O turned back KD 57-22, Zeta defeated Tri Delt 46-20, and the

Independents swamped the Transfers 55-17. The winning teams will enter into the "A" bracket and play off for the first three places, while the losing teams will move into the "B" bracket to play among themselves.

#### Basketball

The hard fought "Battle of the Basketball" terminated November 23 with Chi Omega emerging victorious by defeating Zeta Tau Alpha and Kappa Delta in the play-off.

### Kappa Sigma Holds Last Formal Dance

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feature a canopy of balloons above the dance floor. A lighted fraternity crest will glow above the bandstand. All members' dates will be represented Imperial purple orchid corsages.

The dance committee is composed of Guy Bates, Tom Bell, and John Murdock. Jimmy Davis is in charge of decorations.

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### Famous Collection Of Art Will Be Shown Friday

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#### Fascinating Experience

The paintings from which the slide collection was made have had a fascinating and turbulent time during and since the war. In the first days of the war the Nazis expected heavy air raids, and in 1939 the most precious works of art of the museums were removed to vaulted stone cellars. In 1943 when air action over Berlin started in earnest, the collection was moved from the cellars to an air raid shelter. Soon this place was judged inadequate for the safety of the pictures, and a second move was made to a flak tower.

#### Hitler's Orders

As the situation in Berlin became more critical, Hitler in 1945 ordered that the most valuable of the art objects be evacuated. The paintings were loaded onto small, dilapidated open trucks. The trucks were not big enough to move the largest masterpieces, and they and 800 paintings of lesser quality were left behind. Some 400 paintings were destroyed by fire and explosions, among them such world-renowned works of art as the "Pan" by Signorelli. The remaining 400 paintings were supposedly removed by the Russians.

#### Stored in Salt Mines

That part of the collection which was evacuated from Berlin was taken to the Merkers salt mine where it was placed 2,100 feet below surface level, together with vast hoards of money, jewels, and Nazi loot. On April 7, 1945 this tremendous treasure-trove was brought to light by Gen. Patton's Third Army.

#### U. S. Collection

In October, 1945, it was decided to send a part of the Berlin collection to the United States for safe-keeping until better facilities could be made available in Germany. After many harrowing experiences, the paintings arrived at the National Gallery in Washington where they were cared for by experts.

#### To Be Returned

The Army decreed in March 1948 that the paintings should be returned to Germany. Before sending them back, it was decided that the American public should have a chance to see them. In each of the cities being visited, the paintings are accorded an amazingly warm welcome — and incidentally are becoming the best publicized and best known collection of great art ever seen in this country.

52 paintings were returned to Germany in May 1948. They became an excellent morale builder for the German people. To the American Army nothing could be

### Gordon Watson Pianist Recital

The recital given by Gordon Watson, pianist, last Sunday at the College of Music was a rare treat for the Memphis music lovers who were so fortunate as to attend. Playing the same program with which he will make his professional debut in London next February, Mr. Watson held his audience spellbound from start to finish with his beautiful phrasing and unusual pedalling effects, and with his marvellous tone, always completely under control from the loudest crescendo to the very softest pianissimo.

Mr. Watson's program had the refreshing distinction of being completely un-hackneyed. Several of his numbers he went to a great deal of trouble to order from the Library of Congress, they having been out of print for many years, and as a result his audience was treated to a change as beautiful as it was different.

Mr. Watson seems to have everything it takes to reach the top, and if he continues to present programs as magnificent as the one with which he captivated his Memphis audience, it shouldn't take him long!

### Calendar

TODAY, DEC. 8:

- 1:00—Honor Council in Bell Room
- 5:30—ODK initiation in Directors Room.
- 7:15—Nitist Club in Bell Room

THURSDAY:

- 7:00—UWF in 100 Palmer. Prof. Bruce will speak

FRIDAY:

- 5:00—Independent Women's Open House in Voorhies Basement

SATURDAY:

- 8:00—Kappa Sigma Dance at Colonial Country Club

SUNDAY:

- 5:00—Vespers will be held by AOPi in Band House

more welcome than the words of the chief German curator, "The paintings arrived without damage. They are in better condition than when they left Germany."

### Marxian Concepts Now Accepted

One hundred years after Karl Marx wrote the Communist Manifesto, many of his ideas have been accepted in the social legislation of even the most strongly anti-Communist countries.

#### U.S. Accepts Marx's Ideas

This fact was pointed out last Friday night by Prof. Neil F. Bruce of the Political Science Department in the fourth of the lectures of the Centennial Series. Even capitalist countries like the United States, he said, now accept such ideas as universal public education, soil conservation under government direction, and rural resettlement. These ideas were considered very advanced indeed when Marx proposed them one hundred years ago.

#### English Socialism

Socialism in England is a far different thing from Russian Communism, Prof. Bruce pointed out. English socialism is based on a legally constituted party working by ordinary constitutional means. In Socialist Britain the Labor Government pays the salary of two thousand pounds a year to the leader of the conservative opposition, whereas no sort of opposition is tolerated in Soviet Russia.

The three previous lectures were devoted to discussions of the ideas of four religious leaders—Albert Schweitzer, Barth, Hromadka, and Neibuhr — by Profs. Reveley, Sprunt, and Schafer respectively.

The discussions were conducted by panels whose members were local ministers. Professor Laurence Kinney acted as chairman of the series on theologians and Professor John H. Davis directed the discussion after Prof. Bruce's address.

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### Alpha Tau Omega Winter Formal

The ballroom of the University Club was the setting for the annual Winter formal given by the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity last Saturday night.

Upon arrival, the date of each member was presented with a royal purple orchid corsage tied with silver ribbon. There was a giant silver-painted ATO situated at one end of the dance floor which was covered with silver sparkling-dust.

The dance floor was bathed in a reddish glow which emphasized the Christmas spirit prevailing over the event. At the other end of the dance floor the orchestra was situated in a alcove, in front of which there was a semicircle of four white balustrades entwined with greenery. Greenery was also used along with white balloons to serve as a canopy over the dance floor.

"The Sweetheart of ATO" was played to accompany the leadout of the members. The names of each member and his date were announced as the couple proceeded through the omega part of the giant ATO. Soft blue spotlights were focused on each couple as they led out. Each escort presented his date with a gold necklace having the emblem of the fraternity inscribed on a mother-of-pearl Maltese cross, badge of ATO. There were three no-breaks. Representative bids were issued to the other fraternities, the five sororities, the independent groups, and the rushees on the campus.

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### Second Concert By String Quartet

On December 14, Tuesday evening at 8:30, the College of Music string quartet will present the second in its series of four concerts. They will be assisted by Miss Lois Maer, pianist.

The first two numbers, the Beethoven Quartet Opus 18, No. 2, and the Dohanyi Quartet Opus 15 in D flat Major, will be performed by Mr. Noel Gilbert and Mrs. Mary Jane Kirkendol, violinists, Mrs. Ruth Wood Tuthill, viola, and Mrs. Phyllis Thornburg, cellist. For the third number, the Brahms piano Quartet Opus 26 in A Major, Mrs. Kirkendol, Mrs. Tuthill, and Miss Thornburg will be joined by Miss Lois Maer.

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