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'On Stage' Wins Praise

Production To Be Seen Again Tonight

"On Stage," Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Society's Spring production under the direction of Prof. George Totten, went on stage last night and exited to a chorus of "Best we've had yet!" heard in all corners of the first night audience. The play will be presented again tonight at 8 P. M.

The plot, if perhaps a bit confusing at first, was deftly unfolded by the very capable actors and actresses until it became crystal clear, or at least as clear as a play of the dream sequence type can ever expect to be.

It concerned a playwright who, after a brief conversation with a friend concerning whether or not an author should actually "live" with the characters of his mind, goes to sleep and proceeds to find himself not only meeting and talking with his characters, but wondering if it is not himself who is the fictitious one.

His created characters act for a while exactly as he had written them, but then go completely haywire and lead lives of their own, which they insist upon bringing the bewildered author into. Since it was he who "created" them in the first place, he believes he should be able to predict what is going to happen next, but this belief is not only destroyed by the actions of his characters, but also by the fact that one or two scenes and characters appear which he had never thought of.

People whom he has known in his "real" life appear in his dream as completely different in thought and action, but still bearing some resemblance to their actual selves.

Deserving a loud round of applause along with Alpha Psi Omega's actors are the members of the electrician's crew and the staging experts, who carried out a highly technical job of trick lighting effects and fast scene changes with a capability bordering on the professional.

SPARE CLOTHING COLLECTED HERE

Spare clothing and old blankets — desperately needed in Europe and Asia before next winter — will be collected by the Student Christian Union in boxes placed in the cloister and Lynx Lair between today and the end of school.

The Church World Service— from whom this appeal comes— is requesting the donation of men's shirts, coats, shoes, sweaters, and trousers; women's dresses, blouses, sweaters, coats, and skirts; children's diapers, layettes, pants, dresses, coats, and capes; and blankets, quilts, shoes, and rubbers.

PRE-OLYMPICS SOUGHT HERE

In accordance with the fact that 1947 is a pre-Olympic Year, Southwestern is planning to stage a track and field meet on Monday, June 2, in connection with the Commencement Program, bringing together a number of outstanding competitors who will have a chance to test themselves in anticipation of competition for the Olympic teams next year.

The meet will consist of regular Olympic distances in metres. All the events will not be included as the competition in certain ones does not warrant their inclusion.

A temporary program is composed of the following events: 100 metres dash, 200 metres dash, 400 metres dash, 800 metres run, 1500 metres run, 110 metres high hurdles, 400 metres low hurdles, 3000 metres steeple chase, and the high jump, broad jump, and discus in the field.

This meeting has been planned to inspire more work in track and field in the South.

In order to make the meet attractive to the competitors, handsome trophies, will be awarded to the individual winners, and the men winning second and third place will receive medals.

Veteran Award To Be Made

In the spring of 1946 a citizen of Memphis who is a veteran of World War II with a great deal of overseas experience established two awards to be presented to the most outstanding veterans at the end of the session during the graduation exercises. These awards are made in the name of the Southwestern Veterans Organization and are awarded on a purely scholarship basis by the Faculty Committee on Veterans' Counseling and Education and the President of the Veterans Organization. The awards consist of two magnificent keys, one being accompanied by a scroll containing an appropriate citation. One key is presented to the Veteran who has made the highest average during his entire college career since the War, the other goes to the Veteran who has made the highest record during the current session. In each case the Veteran must be carrying a full load of work. The awards for the session of 1945-'6 went to Mr. J. W. Kirkpatrick and Mr. W. J. Johnson. The presentation of the session 1946-47 will be made during the graduation exercises on Tuesday June 3rd.

Y.W.C.A. Sponsors Ward Party

The Y. W. A. sponsored a very successful ward party for fifty-three patients at Kennedy Hospital on Friday evening, May 2nd.

Bingo was played, and ice cream and cake were served. Margaret Loaring-Clark was in charge of arrangements.

De Graff. Gets Grad. Award

Mrs. Ernest Kelley, Chairman of Scholarship Committee of the Memphis Branch of the American Association of University Women, announced yesterday the recipient of the Graduate Scholarship to be Miss Jeane De Graffenried, Southwestern Senior.

This award is offered each year to some outstanding senior at Southwestern.

Of major importance is the fact that Miss De Graffenried has been accepted for Graduate Work in the Columbia Graduate School where the scholarship will be applied.

At Southwestern Miss De Graffenried is a member of Alpha Theta Phi, a past member of the Independent Women's Organization and for two years President of the Shakesperian Club.

C.U.C. Plans 2-Day Retreat

Southwestern's Christian Union Cabinet will meet early next fall— just before the opening of school —for a two day "retreat," reports Carolyn Cunningham, newly-elected president of the Student Christian Union.

The Cabinet's thirteen new members and officers plan to arrive with the Student Counselor group and be given an advanced registration so they will be free to discuss such questions as the semester forum policy and reactivation of Southwestern's Sunday Vesper program.

Carolyn's leadership of the Student Christian Union next year will be aided by Irvine Anderson, recently-chosen vice president, and Jane McAtee, the CUC's new secretary.

Campus elections last week also picked the ten class and organizational representatives. Wheeler Carleton and Jere Nash, president and vice-president respectively of the Ministerial Club; and Betty Shea and Jane Kilvington, president and vice-president of the YWCA, hold seats by right of office.

Willie Jones and Virginia Ann Withers will represent the Senior Class, Leslie Tucker and Sue Henry the Junior Class, and Cliff Pittman and Mary Ann Ramsey the Sophomores. Freshmen delegates will be chosen within six weeks after the 1947-48 session opens.

Johnson Honored By Literary Group

Dean Theodore Johnson has been chosen Secretary of the Southern Literary Festival for 1948.

He announced that the convention next year will be held at Delta State Teacher's College in Cleveland, Mississippi.

The recent festival was held at Blue Mountain College where two Southern Students, Dick Wood and Milton Addington received outstanding awards for Literary Achievements.

Women's Pan-Hellenic Workshop To Begin Convention Friday

Summer School Registration

Mr. Evans, registrar, announced today that registration for the Summer School would begin May 12th at 10:00 A. M., and continue through Thursday of that week. On days with the exception of Tuesday students may register in the Registrar's office beginning at 9:00.

Mr. Evans stated that if students will pay their fees after registering it will not be necessary for them to return to school until June 10th.

Registration for new students will be held on June 9th from 9:00 until 4:00.

CO-ED SCORES THEATRE SUCCESS

Jane Kilvington, Southwestern Co-ed, is currently supporting the outstanding success of "My Sister Eileen," a comedy hit showing this week at the Little Theatre in Chickasaw Gardens.

Miss Kilvington, who is the "Sister Eileen" is doing a superb job in portraying this delightful character in the unquestioned triumph of the theatre's presentations this year.

With much skill and versatility throughout the entire three acts she excels in Act II when the plot finds "Eileen" making love too three men and six wolfish Columbian Latin Admirals insisting on their amour recognition.

The play opened Monday and is scheduled to run through this week, however, Charles Coghlan, Little Theatre Director, stated today it would also be held over the following Monday to accommodate persons unable to secure tickets this week.

Oscar Babriel, another Southwestern student, is also appearing in a minor role, that of a Columbian Consul.

Ind. Women Elect Officers

In a recent election the following people were chosen as officers of the Independent Women's Organization for next year:

President: Ann Lester
Secretary-Treas.: Katie Wong
Publicity Chairman: Mary Virginia Walker

In May the annual banquet honoring the members of the basketball team will be held at Hotel Claridge.

Announcement

Epsilon Sigma of Sigma Nu announces the initiation of Mr. James K. Schmidt of El Dorado, Arkansas and Donald F. Ellis of Columbia, Tennessee.

Stresses Fraternity, College Relations

Southwestern's Women Panhellenic Council Friday afternoon and night will play host to Memphis State sororities as well as one of the most distinguished authorities on intersorority relations in the U. S. Mrs. Hilda Threlkeld, Dean of Women, University of Louisville, and President of American Association of Deans of Women, will climax the program Friday night with a talk on "The Values and Obligations of Sorority Membership."

This is the largest Panhellenic Workshop ever held at Southwestern: Its purpose is to recognize the newly nationalized sororities at Memphis State and to promote intersorority relations at Memphis State and Southwestern. Approximately 350 people, including the Deans at Memphis State and Southwestern faculty, are expected to attend the lectures.

The afternoon discussions are designed to work out problems in the Southwestern delayed pledging program for next year. In order that this plan will be as successful as possible rules and procedures, will be discussed and suggestions made to the sororities.

The afternoon conference of the officers are scheduled as follows: 2:00 P. M.—Leadership Conferences—Palmer Hall.

Presidents—Miss Hazel Brown, presiding; Dr. Hilda Threlkeld, discussion leader; Room 208.

Pledge Trainers — Miss Betty Shea, presiding; Miss Betty Jane Fielder, discussion leader; Room 209.

Treasurers—Miss Leona DeMere, presiding; Miss Margaret Hyde, discussion leader; Room 206.

Scholarship Chairman — Miss Janie V. Paine, presiding; Mrs. John Soyars, discussion leader; Room 205.

Activities Chairman—Miss Mary Ann Minderman, presiding; Miss Betty Belk, discussion leader; Room 204.

Social Chairman—Miss Nancy Little, presiding; Mrs. George Totten, discussion leader; Room 201.

At 3:30 there will be a panel discussion in Hardie Auditorium led by Betty Bouton, Betty Bynum Webb, Julia Wellford, and Claire James on the four phases of second semester pledging: The Change in Social Program, the Change in Pledge Training, the Change in Financial and Social Position of the Sororities, and the Relationship Between Sorority Girls and New Girls Before Pledging.

The banquet will begin at seven o'clock in the Continental Room of the Hotel Peabody where Hazel Brown, Southwestern Pan President will preside. Dr. Diehl will offer the invocation followed by a welcome to Memphis State representatives by Jane Phelps. The Memphis State Panhellenic President will return the welcome, after which Miss Helen Gordon will introduce the principal speaker of the evening, Dr. Hilda Threlkeld.

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The "Cut" System

Talk! Talk! Talk! We're tired of so much talk and so little action. From the first week this Editor entered Southwestern there was talk about doing something about the "cut" system.

Everybody agreed that something should be done about it, students and faculty, but we still operate under the same antiquated system.

Some time ago, the SOU'WESTER took a poll of the faculty regarding this subject and not even one admitted that the system now approved was desirable. We received suggestions including plans to give all students unlimited cuts, or only those with a "B" average, to unlimited cuts to Juniors and Seniors. It was the general consensus of the faculty that something should be done about this problem, however, no one of them wanted to tackle it himself for fear of being criticized or for some other reason. We have been told that this controversy comes up every year in faculty meeting and that after much debate and argument, the old system is returned to.

Very few students come to Southwestern to be entertained or have a good time. If they do, a semester here quickly makes them realize they are in the wrong institution. This fact is commonly conceded by students and faculty. Why, then, must the students be coerced by a class cut system suitable for Junior High Schools? If we are to maintain an academic atmosphere, let's do it right. With very few exceptions, all of the better colleges and universities operate on an unlimited class cut program. However, here we must continue with undesirable systems until the very farce that they create forces a change.

We do not offer a system to take the place of the one now being used; systems more desirable than our own, from which to choose, are far too numerous. This is a problem for the faculty and it is their duty to carefully consider and choose some more appropriate and workable plan.

Is it fair for a student to be required to return to school a semester or a year in order to make up some hour he may have lost through a violation of our "cut system"? It is neither fair to the student nor to the Dean, who must choose to excuse, or not to excuse, over-cuts. The Dean's decision which must be made without deliberation, may often result in the student's returning for a semester or a year to make up some hours lost through our "system".

The MISSING LYNX

"Good Morning, Professor Smith."

"Good morning to you, Crusher. What can I do for you?"

"Well, Professor, we've been studying Annelidae and hookworm and trichinella spiralis and tapeworms and flukes. Tell me, how did you ever launch out on this business of being a worm Nimrod? Why have you made a profession of snaring the elusive and legless invertebrate?"

"Quite simple, Crusher. Worms are part of my stock and trade."

"Well, I don't know much about worms, Dr. Smith. To me a worm is just a nudist caterpillar. Do you collect worms as a hobby by any chance?"

"No, Crusher, I just keep them around to show squeamish little girls in my classes, and also for fish food."

"Oh, as food for fish."

"Yes, that's right."

"You are a sort of a guppy chef, then, Dr. Smith. An Oscar of the fish bowl. How did you ever get started in this unique profession, Dr. Smith?"

"Well, as a boy I liked to collect fish."

"I see. Well, didn't your mother object to that sort of thing around the house? I imagine about the middle of August, the F.O. (fish odour) would be pretty near the precipitation point."

"Oh, I never kept them around that long."

"I see. But how did you digress from collecting fish to hunting worms?"

"Well, the fish that I collected got hungry, and I had to provide their food."

"How can you tell when a fish is hungry, Dr. Smith? When a fish is swimming around in a bowl, you can't tell if its mouth is watering, can you?"

"Yes, it is easy to tell. The fish looks anemic and lifeless."

"I see. It's just fin and bones, eh? Well, I guess when you've taken a fish away from its mother, you've got to supply the fodder. Tell me, what are a fish's favorite foods, Dr. Smith? If Main Street was under water tonight and a gold fish came down off the Court Square fountain and swam into Britling's Cafeteria, what would tempt him on the bill of fare?"

"The gold fish would probably order *Chironomus larvae* or *Tubifex rivolum*."

"*Chironomus larvae*?"

"Yes, or *Tubifex rivolorum*."

"Those sound like the names you'd expect to find on a Greek Pullman car. What is this *Chironomus larvae*?"

"That's just a bloodworm."

"I see. What about the *Chironomus*'s straight man, that Kleenex rivoli or whatever it was?"

"The tubifex is about the same size as the bloodworm, but thinner."

"Without the paunch and jowls, eh? Tell me, Dr. Smith, how do you catch these worms of yours? Do you lie down in Overton Park and make a noise like a rotten apple? Do you use a decoy worm or a robin on your wrist as a falcon?"

"The type of worms that I need in laboratory work, Crusher, I'm afraid I wouldn't find in Overton Park. The two worms that I mentioned are only found in muddy streams and ponds. You find them especially in upper New York state, Long Island, and New Jersey, and also near Philadelphia. Demonstration worms come from Wisconsin."

"Why do you have to go that far away? Are the worms around here wise to you?"

"No, but the government projects have drained off most of the good swamps and the worms go elsewhere. In the worm business, mud is essential."

"I know. It's the same in politics. Well, Dr. Smith, after you've found a place where you think worms are putting on the bog, how can you tell if they're there?"

"It's partly a matter of instinct."

"Say, if you can just look at mud and tell it has worms, you must be the Wizard of Ooze. When you've located a worm preserve, how do you get the little quagmire cobra to come up? Do you go "psst" in the wormhole? And then when the worm looks out to see who it is, do you tie a knot in him so he can't get back down the hole again?"

"It's not that complicated, Crusher. I just scoop up the mud and wash the worms out later. I spread the mud out in trays and put a covering of sand over it. As water is run gently through the mud, the worms crawl up through the sand. The sand cleans them off as they come up."

"Say, you have all the elements of a night club there, Dr. Smith. A little dirt, a little liquid, a cover, and the customer comes out clean."

(We strolled over to a table where a phonograph and some records were lying. Dr. Smith put one of the records on the turntable.)

"Would you like to hear some fish conversation?"

"Certainly."

(There was a prolonged bubbling sound.)

"That's the *Piscatorus Bluplatebus*, Crusher, better known as the male halibut."

(The bubbling sound started again.)

"What's that, Dr. Smith?"

"That's the mate answering."

"I see. And what is she saying?"

"Cut out the bubble talk, big boy."

(A strong sucking noise now started.)

"Do you know what that is, Crusher?"

"I never heard a fish make that sound, Dr. Smith. Is it a sword-fish honing?"

"No."

"A shad rowing?"

"No."

"Well, I give up. What is it?"

"It's a fellow in Liggett's drug store finishing a chocolate soda."

"Wait a minute, Dr. Smith. You said a fish."

"Yes, the man's name is Trout."

(I left.)

Echoes From The Morgue

9 Years Ago:

in the annual April Fool Carnival 50 students were to have parts play, which was to have a Greek theme centering around the Trojan War.

ATO celebrated their Founder's Day with a banquet and dance at the Continental Room of the Hotel Peabody.

Bill Kelly, who now manages the Lynx Lair, was tapped by ODK. Bill, a Kappa Sig, was also President of the Honor Council and in the Hall of Fame.

5 Years Ago:

Palmer Hall Social Room had just been installed. As the Sou'Wester put it, "One rarely finds the creme de la creme of the brain trust there, but the 'peepul', the common little, interesting Brown's and Smith's—they're there—never studying and having a heelluva good time." (Times haven't changed a bit.)

ODK was planning a scrip dance to be held in the gym.

2 Years Ago:

Betty Belk was made president of the Christian Union Cabinet and Julia Wellford Vice-President.

On page 1 appeared the startling, to say the least, notice that required chapel attendance would be discontinued. Obliging a "please turn to page 3" this is what we found: "APRIL FOOL"!!! (Big Joke!)

POET'S CORNER

INTRODUCTION

What can I say that has not yet been said?

Or what slim stairway of pale, fiery words

Can I raise up for you to lightly tread?

I want you to come in. I want these birds

Of lovely wing, these opalescent seas

Blown by the skipping winds, these temples of

Spun glass, these morning buds and midnight trees

To all be yours—new—bright—and full of love.

Yet words are taken from the well-used heap;

And pictures only mirror other ones.

But through a shining season can I sleep

And not exclaim of flaming moons and suns . . .

Though every wonder that I will have sung

Was very old when Abraham was young?

MUSIC

To peer into another world and then

to be there, standing on a cloudy plain

where sound's soft iridescent hydrogen

is blowing by. Behold what wide terrain!

Come climb this crystal mountain to the peak

and see a million mornings spray their lights

across your feet! Come then where trees, antique

and dim, make shadows through a thousand nights

and sway before the winds of centuries.

Come sail down all the emerald stairways here

and glide through arches underneath the seas.

What lovely world is this beyond the ear?

What fingers brought this swift coincidence

of earth's frail voice and Heaven's eloquence?

James K. Schmidt

Kappa Alpha Will Hold Outing At Germantown Farm Saturday

At 5:30 Saturday evening May 9, the Kappa Alpha's of Southwestern are giving their semester occasion which is an outing. (So let's get on our jeans and slacks and go to Mrs. Bowder's farm in Germantown.)

To start the evening off with a bang, there will be a hay ride then after the appetites are worked up chicken in the rough will be served (Um, good ole Soothern fried chicken'), cokes and ice cream. Before giving your food time to digest, everyone will hunt for the

treasure. I haven't had any hint as to what kind of treasure it will be but most treasure glitters like . . . After the treasure hunt there will be a juke box dance in Mrs. Bowder's barn. (What a wonderful life!) After the dance the trucks will take everyone back to town. (Those not believing there will be fun for all please see Dr. Kildare immediately.)

Representative bids have been sent out to all sororities and fraternities.



Miss Hazel Brown, President of the Women's Pan-Hellenic Council, will preside over a banquet Saturday evening at the Continental Room of the Peabody Hotel which is the closing event of the Pan-Hellenic Workshop beginning Friday. Dr. Hilda Threlkeld will be the principal speaker of the evening.

Y.W.C.A. Holds Annual Banquet

The Y. W. C. A. will have its annual Curling Iron Banquet today. President, Betty Shea announces that this final event of the year for the organization will be a picnic at the hearth, beginning at 4:30.

Members of the Y. W. C. A.'s "Who's Who" will be chosen by rhyme nominations from the floor, followed by voting. Last year's winners were Honey Pouring Polly; Sara Ann Elliott; Mamie Moron, Westy Tate; Haggiest Hag, Julia Chester, Loviest Doves, Sara Latimer; and Stanley Trezevant; Sloppiest Soph, Betty Shea.

KAPPA SIGMA ELECTS OFFICERS

Kappa Sigma Fraternity announced Tuesday the election of the following officers for the year 1947-48:

- Grand Master—Jim Turner.
- Grand Procurator—John Williford.
- Grand Master of Ceremonies—Jack Hiltzheim.
- Grand Scribe—Julius Johnson.
- Grand Treasurer—Robert Miller.
- Guards—J. C. Lewis and Paul Currie.
- Pan Hellenic Rep.—Bill Ingram.

EMPIRE STATE

By Bill Marsh
Empire State Building
(for Professor A. P. Kelso)
You are a good sized chunk of concrete with steel ribs and a little blood mixed in and a needle for a hat.

They built you for a monument to ticker-tape and easy money. They did not count on fat men blowing skinny brains into closet bowls and jumping out of Wall Street windows;

they did not count on building the grave stone of an age.

One day the men from Mars will wander through your deserted corridors.

How big, they will say, how big, and how empty.
W. H. Marsh

Lynx Chat

Kitty is most confused these days, first its spring and then it isn't, but it doesn't seem to put a damper on the love that can't be held down these days—particularly that of Willard Armstrong—yes—he finally pinned Catherine—much to all their friends glee!!! Even Acroyd and Causey are more inseparable than ever.

Saturday night last two old S'western alums were seen gracing the heavenly AO Pi dance, Mc-Afee and his Jo Allen—while off in a corner John Williford was putting the make on Jeanne Edens—while "The Owl" and "The Moose" (who now is escorting "Body" Bouton) were swapping snappy repartee.

Sissy DeMere was proudly displaying her new gold bracelet, birthday gift from Connie Carrol to all onlookers—as was Betty Lee displaying Bob Norman's pin. And Nimrod has done it again—He's pinned Clade Pilkington—let's hope for the best. Seen wandering blissfully around the campus these moonlight nights—Betty Boisblanc and Frank Gattuso.

Last week it was Gail Martin who traveled off to Sewanee leaving Cecil to moan but while the cats away, etc., so now Cecil seems to have acquired another brunette—turnabouts fair play.

Seen having a extremely liquid time at a cocktail party for the eminent conductor of the New York Philharmonic last week were Lucile Hamer, Lucile Maury, Margaret Loaring-Clark and Ann Badgett, who were joined by the Editor, glass in each hand, and Dorotte Storn. Also Bill Mitchell, Paul Dillman, Ralph Bennett and Jimmy Schmidt seem to be enjoying Mr. Szell's hospitality.

Never let it be said that Dr. Osman isn't sharp—overheard in class he informed Virginia Catching that it would be more profitable if she would study than to walk through the park holding hands—I dunno!! And now Pete Meriweather and Nancy Davis are at it again!!

Gals—that cute Dick Porter seems to have settled on that Blonde Bombshell—Ann Pridgen—my nomination for couple of the

week. And by the time you read this—one boy, whose name I won't mention, Hightower, will be very happy for Hilma is coming home. All Alone! Charley Bradley and his beer!!! We love you Charlie! This time its Bailey and Joan Williams—Simmons is now racing his motor over beauteous Betty Schneider. Murdock is busy sewing on his royal mantle.

Off early to the country last Sunday were Carol Cable and Sis Graeber—Ah, but those men were most attractive. Orchids to Kilvington for her excellent performance in "My Sister Eileen."

Until is was established as false the Robb Hall boys were preparing for a third, Sam Watson, (Gene Burlin was No. 2) Tommy Houser came back from Jackson unmarried even if it was Monday night.

Woodson is to woods as Fletcher is to flexing. With Blue Lake and a gorgeous fire modifying the equation you have the formula for happiness. That is, if you had a sleeping bag like E. Dewey.

When Pi and S.T.A.B. throw something together you'd expect a mixup but not one like the S.T.A.B.'s pulled last week all by their lonesome. Hamer & Bobby Barbant, Edens & Durbin, Jane V. & Stevenson, Brantley and Bowden. And we thought life was getting routine!!

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FRIDAY, May 9th

1:00 PM Y.W.C.A. Cabinet Meeting Bell Room
 2:00 PM Women's Pan-hellenic Workshop Palmer Hall
 7:00 PM Women's Pan-hellenic Banquet Peabody Hotel

SATURDAY, May 10th

2:00 PM Chi Omega May Festival Campus
 5:30 PM Kappa Alpha Outing Germantown

WEDNESDAY, May 14th

7:30 PM Nitist Club Meeting Bell Room

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Notice For All Veterans

Nashville, Tenn.—G. I. Readjustment Allowances are not intended as summer vacation pay. Employment Security Commissioner W. O. Hake advised student veterans today.

The employment security department cooperates with the Veterans Administration in the administration of the readjustment allowance program provided in the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

Even if he is otherwise qualified, a veteran is not eligible for readjustment allowances for unemployment if he is receiving subsistence allowances for education or training under the Act or is not available for suitable work, Mr. Hake said.

"This means," he explained, "that in between school terms and during vacation periods veterans should make sure that their Federal government school subsistence allowance payments have been discontinued before claiming readjustment allowances."

"Further, the veteran who is planning merely to rest between school terms is not eligible for readjustment allowances. Among other things he must be available for employment and willing to accept a suitable job during each period for which he claims a readjustment allowance."

The law provides that further rights to readjustment allowances shall be forfeited by a veteran who knowingly accepts an allowance to which he is not entitled. In addition, misrepresentation is punishable by fines and prison sentences.

April, 29, 1947

Nitist Club Holds Chapel

The Nitist Club held chapel last Saturday, John Broderick, retiring president, presided. Margaret Hardwick, who represented the club at the recent conference at Ashland, Virginia, sponsored by the Carnegie Endowment for World Peace and International Relations, reported on her trip.

At its meeting Wednesday the Nitist Club elected William Bowden as its new president, and Don Woolsey was invited to join the organization.

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Shut Up And Let Me Talk

By Bill Hatchett

AN INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE

The primary requisite for a good beginning in college is the securing of a suitable roommate; provided of course, that you have a room. "It is advisable to have a roommate," declares our spicy little College Bulletin, "in order to assure sympathetic and understanding assistance with one's studies." And then it adds, ominously, "He will also be of invaluable aid in the event the student becomes ill, and must have meals brought to the room and be otherwise waited upon."

From a reading of that I have deducted that I am attending college under a definite handicap. So far as help with lessons is concerned, I might as well be sharing this room with an above-normally-intelligent specie of brickbat. And only the fact that I cleverly refuse to get sick hinders him from demonstrating his utter uselessness in that field as well.

My troubles with him are endless. To begin with, he is an intensely heavy sleeper. Early in our life together I discovered that he cannot be awakened in the morning by much less than a strategically placed charge of dynamite, and that, I realized, would result eventually in the somewhat altered appearance of our interior decoration. So I bought an abnormally clamorous alarm clock, which, through its persistence in ringing forever if not shut off, gets results. Incidentally, in addition to awakening us (and all other occupants of the second floor), it also gives rise (pun) to an interesting little every-morning game my roommate and I play, entitled "I Am Sound Asleep And So You Will have To Get Up And Turn It Off."

Another bad habit of his is that

of drinking coffee while lying in bed at night reading. I can conceive of nothing more conducive to a bad day than beginning it by hopping blithely up and planting a bare foot squarely in a half-filled cup of cold, brown liquid.

He brews his coffee, by the way, from a private formula and in dead secrecy. I suspect him of muttering cabalistic phrases over the steaming pot, and perhaps doing a wild dance around it. Although never having had the nerve to drink any of it myself, I once gace some to a friendly and unsuspecting visitor, who has not been seen anywhere since. I prefer to think that he failed a course and was ordered home.

My roommate also happens to be a high official in Fresh Air Fiends Anonymous, Local 603. He refuses to believe, as I do, that the proper place for weather is outside the room, and he cannot sleep unless all our windows are open as far as they will go. If a heavy snowfall ever hits the city some night, morning will find us in dire need of both a snowplow and a St. Bernard. (Just in case the St. Bernard shows up with the little cask beneath his chin empty, we keep a little something in a bottle hidden beneath some suitcases in the closet.)

I suppose I could go on talking about my roommate indefinitely (maybe you think I already have), but just at the moment he is sitting at his desk trying to study, and glowering at me because my typewriter (Model 1925) is a bit noisy. That I have to do some writing in order to ever get anything written fails to interest him in the least. His "sympathetic and understanding assistance" is limited to simply "Shut Up!"

You see? He just said it. If I continue typing he will sulk. He is bigger than I am, too.

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Intramurally Speaking Lynx Subdues Memphis State

Pee Wee

SAE came through with a clean sweep of the badminton tournament this week capturing first place in all three divisions. Ed Dewey defeated Willard Armstrong, KA, 15-0, 15-4 and 15-6. Frank Boswell likewise had little troubling in downing Billy Speros, SN 15-6, 15-2 and 15-10. In the doubles however Dick Lee and Julian Elliott were pushed all the way, and hard by Lloyd Smith and Steve Conder of ATO. The match was carried five games with all being won by close scores. They were 12-15, 15-10, 16-14, 12-15 and 15-13. In winning the badminton, the SAE's were able to pick up the 40 points for first place. The KA's were second and picked 25, and tied for third, picking up 10 points each were SN and ATO . . . As the softball goes into the last week of competition, there is a general mixup for first place. The Pikes have first choice by having played one more game than the rest. Standings are; Pikes 5-1; KS, SN, IND, 4-1; KA 2-3; SAE 1-4; ATO 0-4; Faculty 0-5. This week sees SN and Ind going into action against each other and the Pikes trying to continue their winning streak when they meet the Sigs on Wednesday. Last week the outstanding game was between the Pikes and Ind. For six complete innings it was strictly a pitchers duel between Willie Haley of the Pikes and Dan Cooper, Ind. Both teams tapped the opposing pitcher for nine hits, but the Pikes were able to take advantage of errors on the part of the Independents and come through with a five to four win. Finklestein shone afield and at bat for the Ind's collecting three hits out of four times at bat. Wharton Hawkins was the star of the Pikes collecting three hits out of three attempts . . . Memphis State has issued a challenge to the Lynx Cats for a softball game. An all star team will be selected and the game will be played in the near future. Watch

and listen for the date, then come out and watch them play . . . Tennis gets underway this week with first round matches to be played by Thursday. Pairings are on the bulletin board in the Lynx Lair. Watch the progress and come out and spur the boys on . . . In the field day to be held May 21st, everyone is eligible to compete except the track men in track events. One person can enter one individual event and one team event. The team events include tug of war consisting of twelve men to a team, and the 60 yd. shuttle relay. The softball game to be played at 4 PM will probably decide the championship for the year . . . Please note the signs put up recently and abide by them. No sports on the campus on Sunday.

Lynx Host To State Teams Sat.

The Southwestern Track Team will meet five and possibly six Tennessee teams at the Tennessee Inter-Collegiate Athletic Conference at Crump Stadium at 1:00 P.M. Saturday.

Southwestern, Sewanee, Tennessee, Vanderbilt and T.P.I. have registered for the event and Memphis State has petitioned for membership in the Conference and a decision will be given by the board members tomorrow night.

This event appears to be the outstanding track event to be held this year in Memphis. Coach Clements stated that he expected keen competition from each team entered but that the Lynx Cats, while not playing with a margin, have a very good chance to take the meet.

The field events will get underway at 1:00 while the track events will begin at 1:30.

Admission is free to all Southwestern students.

The Southwestern track team literally ran over the Tigers of Memphis State, 87 to 43. The Lynx shone both in the field events and in the running as the score indicates.

The outstanding event of the day was the half-mile run, won by Evin Perdue in 2:00, shattering the old mark set by Harold (Chicken) High. Perdue also took the broad jump with a 20 foot 5 inch jump.

Another star performer of the meet was Gayden Drew, who won the high hurdles, shot put, discus, and took a second in the high jump to total 18 points. Frank Boswell, who failed to match his 9.9 hundred yard dash of last week, still managed to take the century and second in the 220 as team-mate Robert Jones nosed him out.

Other winners for the Lynx were Dick Porter, who took the low hurdles after falling down in the 120 yard high hurdles, and Bill Brazelton who again won the javelin with a heave of 165 feet. Fletcher Scott and Free Marr coasted to a one-two finish in the 440-yard run.

The hapless Tigers captured only four events, the mile, the two mile, pole vault, and high jump. Their mainstay was Wayne Hudspeth who won the high jump and pole vault and placed second in the broad jump to rack up 13 points.

The Lynx have improved considerably with each meet and have high hopes of showing well in the Tennessee Intercollegiate Athletic Conference track and field meet this coming Saturday. The fine relay team consisting of Scott, Marr, Boswell and Perdue is a good choice to take the mile relay event next Saturday, as they weren't pushed to win from Memphis State, and have shown well in every meet to date.

SPORTS CHAT ABOUT LYNX CATS

By Perdue

The question on no one's lips these days is "Whatever happened to that organization that put forth such a fine plan for reviving athletic interest at Southwestern? What was its name? Oh, yes, the Southwestern Athletic Backing Association, known by all as SABA." Well, it seems, my readers, (if such exist) that this organization must have overworked themselves so much that they had to retire. They did work hard, we agree, during football season, and things looked as if we were finally going to become organized. But soon after the football season, SABA went into hibernation and though the Vernal Equinox has come and gone, we still have no SABA. Some one should wake them up, if possible.

Last Saturday Southwestern won another track meet and the number of students there was pitifully small. This Saturday Southwestern is the host for the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Track Meet. We are positive of about twenty people, the team and the track Queen and her two Ladies-in-Waiting, but will we have more? Well, let us hope so. Our team should make a very good showing in this meet, and the

Southwestern student body should be there to see the team compete and run against larger schools like Vanderbilt and the University of Tennessee.

But someone will have to help in promoting this Saturday afternoon affair, so we appeal to the new organization that gained a charter from the school last fall, elected officers, presented its wonderful plans for the future, then vanished like a dollar bill in Mrs. Hill's mess hall. Maybe there should be a backing organization to back the one we already have, but it would probably fold up like the first one.

Your ideals were high, SABA, but your results were very poor. Let's see if you can't do better and live up to those ideals. We need some publicity for the most important track meet of the whole season in this section of the country, we need ushers and ticket takers for that afternoon we need lots of things, SABA, that you could do. Will you?

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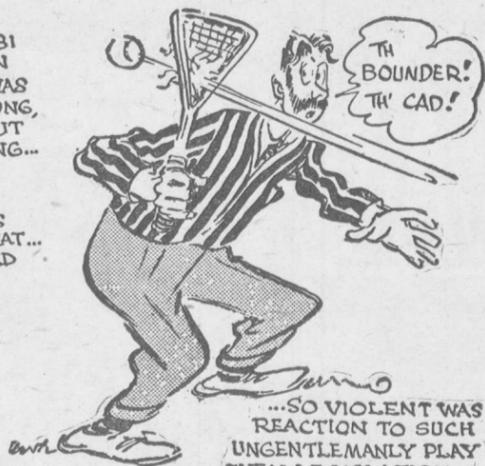
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Tower Talk

THAT SOCIAL QUESTION

With second-semester rushing tucked bitterly away in the annals of history, TOWER TALK turns this week to the next most pressing problem up for discussion by the Pan Council. Certain tense situations over conflicting social dates brought to the front last week a question considered by the Woman's Pan since last November—that of revamping Southwestern's social regulations.

"We're Bored"

Once, long, long ago, Lynx social groups were allowed one formal dance and six open house affairs every year. Come Saturday nights, and there were more than enough small shindigs to attend, and—now and then—the school would turn out in force for a full-fledged formal.

About the time Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, though, the student body informed the Pan Council: "We're bored." Hastily, the Pan called a session to discuss boredom, dances, and fraternities. The solution they produced was the present system of one reserved dance date a semester for each group—with no other sanctioned party allowed that night.

Frats Cursed

With the passing of the years, the student group that had requested the change graduated, and the boredom was forgotten. Later Lynx arrivals found that a formal every Saturday night was a trifle wearying—financially and physically. The stag casualty rate ran

higher and higher.

Desperate fraternities met and planned private blowouts for Saturday night. Desperate sororities met and cursed desperate fraternities. Tension mounted.

Here's The Kick

The problem was this: What should Southwestern do with the five-hundred-odd students unable to attend the Saturday night social functions? How could the non-frat men and women be given a place in Lynx social life: How could infringements of Pan Council social calendars be curtailed?

Southwestern's faculty was not the authority in the matter, though they could plainly see the need for readjustment. Faculty policy is limited to the maintenance of certain general standards for social activities—not the regulation of their schedules. So the question settled upon the Pan Council.

Social Lemons

Under the proposed arrangement each social group on the campus would be allotted one reserved night each year for whatever they wish to have—dance, hayride, brawl, or whatnot. The remaining weekends would be thrown open, and groups would be encouraged to hold open houses, parties, informal tea dances and picnics whenever they felt the call. In fact, several informal social functions a weekend would be definitely encouraged to give Lynx social lemons a chance to meet the butterflies.

Last week the question was still pending.

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