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Chaucer Topic For Expert's Lecture

Malone To Give Address
In Hardie Tomorrow

"MASTERPIECES"

Writer, Linguist Is At
Johns Hopkins

Dr. Kemp Malone, professor of English in the Graduate School of Johns Hopkins University, will speak in Hardie Auditorium at 8 p.m. tomorrow night. One of the world's greatest authorities on the English language and ancient English literature, Dr. Malone will speak on "Chaucer And His Two Masterpieces."

Educated at Oxford, England, as well as in this country, Dr. Malone received his doctorate at the University of Chicago. He has written a number of books and articles on the science of language and has long been a lecturer on English. Several times he has represented the United States at the International Congress of Linguistics.

He is a co-founder of the *Journal of American Speech* and a member of the board of editors of *College English*. Harper's *American College Dictionary*, published last year, also lists Dr. Malone as one of the editors.

A Methodist minister's son, Dr. Malone was born at Minter, Mississippi. His father held pastorates in several Mississippi cities and, at various times, was president of four Southern colleges.

Dr. Malone plans to remain in Memphis through Saturday and then go to the University of Mississippi to give a series of lectures.

Founders Day Is Honored By SAE

Jane King Named Sweetheart

Jane King, lovely brunet senior, was chosen "Sweetheart of SAE" at the fraternity's annual Founders Day Ball last Saturday evening at the Panorama Room of the King Cotton. Jane, an English major, is the vice president of Kappa Delta sorority, a student counselor, and last year was voted "Most Stylish Coed." Jane is really a double SAE sweetheart for she wears the pin of Bill Bell.

The dance, held from 9 til 12, followed an elaborate banquet attended by 200 alumni and active members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Dinner was served at 6:15 p.m., followed by the election of officers by the Memphis SAE Alumni Association. Speaker of the evening was Major Thomas H. Allen, president of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division and an SAE Alumni. Robert Cooper, president of Tennessee Zeta chapter, talked on the accomplishments of the chapter during the past year.

The ball featured three no-breaks and the SAE leadout. During the leadout, Jim Carey and his orchestra played the fraternity song, "Violets," to which the members and their feminine guests danced. Jim Clay, social chairman, escorted Miss King to the president, Robert Cooper, who presented her with a jeweled fraternity sweetheart pin and a bouquet of red roses. Following this ceremony, Miss King's picture was unveiled over the bandstand where it had been placed beside the lighted SAE crest.

Chaperones for the ball included Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rollow and Prof. Julian C. Nall.

VESPERS HELD SUNDAY

The regular Sunday afternoon vespers were held last Sunday by the Independent Women.

Using Hebrews 13:5, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee," as a text, Mamie Fredericks told the story of a wealthy girl who, in order to become a missionary, gave up a career as a society girl and as a result was disowned by her family.

STAFF NOTICE

The Sou'wester staff is reminded of regular staff meetings held in the office every Thursday at 4:00 p.m. Every member who can possibly attend is expected to be present. The office bulletin board should also be checked at least once a day for assignments and important notices.

Art Appreciation Course In Summer

Wassermann To Give Course

Special attention of those students who are interested in art is called to a course that will be offered in the summer session at Southwestern. This course is designed for those students who are interested in art from the point of view of appreciation rather than practicing painting or sculpture. The course is a survey of art from ancient Egypt to the nineteenth century, and may prove of value to any practicing painting artists who would like to review the great works of the past.

Dr. Felix Wassermann, who will conduct the course, is imminently qualified by virtue of his close study of many of the originals of work that will be considered during the study. According to Dr. Wassermann, this course is parallel to the Great Books courses in that it considers the art works in their cultural context. It has certain advantages, he points out, in that literature often has to be read in translation while paintings may be directly observed at first hand. The plan for the course is as follows:

FIRST TERM

- | Lectures | Subject |
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| 1-3 | Prehellenic World, esp. Egypt. |
| 4-9 | Greece from Aeschylus to Alexander. |
| 10-12 | Hellenistic Age. |
| 13-15 | Imperial Rome. |
| 16 | Early Christian and Byzantine Civilization. |
| 17-18 | Romanesque Middle Ages. |
| 19-23 | The World of the Gothic Cathedrals in France. |
| 24-27 | The Great XIII Century in Germany. |
| 28-29 | The Gothic World in the Rest of Western Europe. |

SECOND TERM

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| 30-33 | Later Middle Ages in the North. |
| 34-37 | Later Middle Ages and Early Renaissance in Italy. |
| 38-43 | Italian Renaissance. |
| 44-48 | Nordic Renaissance and Reformation. |
| 49-51 | Later Renaissance of Latin and Germanic Peoples. |
| 52-53 | Baroque Age in Latin Countries. |
| 54-56 | Baroque Age in Germanic Countries. |
| 57-58 | From the Classic-Romantic Age to the Modern World. |

DEBATERS WILL OPPOSE SPRING HILL HERE

Two teams from Southwestern will debate two from Spring Hill College, Spring Hill, Alabama, tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. in Palmer Hall. The debate subject will be "Federal Aid to Education." Southwestern will be represented by Bill Roberds and Amos Rogers for the affirmative, and Bill Rawlins and Denby Brandon for the negative. This is the first time this year that the Lynx debaters are appearing on the campus in public debate, and all students are urged to attend.

Professor Totten, debate coach, reports that the teams are making progress in their preparation for the Bluegrass Tourney to be held at Georgetown, Kentucky, on March 19-20.

Nance Is Elected UWF President

Rawlins, Judah Also Elected

Harold L. Nance was elected president of the Southwestern chapter of the United World Federalists at a meeting of that organization last Thursday. Bill Rawlins was elected vice president, and Carolyn Judah, secretary treasurer, of the UWF. Nance said the organization will continue to function separately in its special field, although it will work closely with the newly formed International Relations Club, of which it has been a sponsoring organization. The executive committee of the UWF is working on a new constitution which will cover changes made to prevent conflict with the IRC.

All Southwesterners interested in world federalism are urged to attend the next meeting, which will be called soon, because at that time plans will be made for semester activities.

One of the most important pieces of business to be taken up will be the election of a delegate to a meeting of all Tennessee chapters to be held in Nashville March 19.

The Southwestern chapter will continue as in the past semester to try to spread world federalism by establishing chapters in other schools and by providing speakers on the subject, on the campus and off. It will maintain its affiliation with the international world federalism movement. Some functions that the UWF carried on last semester, in connection with arranging lectures on world affairs in general, have been taken over by the IRC, a discussion group not committed to any one plan for solving world problems.

KAPPA DELTA'S GRADES TAKE TOP HONORS

Kappa Delta sorority, with a point average of 2.865, led all other sororities, as well as all fraternities, in first semester grades. Leader among the fraternities was Sigma Nu, with an average of 2.478. All of the sororities ranked ahead of the fraternities.

The list, in order:
Kappa Delta: 2.865
Delta Delta Delta: 2.844
Zeta Tau Alpha: 2.590
Chi Omega: 2.550
Alpha Omicron Pi: 2.488
Sigma Nu: 2.478
Kappa Sigma: 2.454
Alpha Tau Omega: 2.452
Sigma Alpha Epsilon: 2.436
Kappa Alpha: 2.375
Pi Kappa Alpha: 2.335
Over-all sorority average was 2.661; fraternity average, 2.431. Class averages are as follows:
Senior: 2.827
Junior: 2.558
Sophomore: 2.321

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AN EDITORIAL IN THE FIRST PERSON

The "ruddy faced goblin of the Shakespeare class," the "man with the green sack," which college rumor has maintained for years must contain the skull of Yorick; the man at whose magic touch—with an inflection of the voice or a gesture of the hand—the immortal, color-splashed creations of the gentleman from Stratford on Avon would come striding imperiously onstage and dismiss with one bombastic flourish the sunlit mustiness of the classroom and the high-school-tainted, word-by-word method of "teaching Shakespeare"—Dr. Charles L. Townsend has left Southwestern for a rest.

Ordered (he would not otherwise have gone) by his physician into a leave of absence because of ill health, he leaves behind him what must be the envy of every true teacher—a vacant, hurt, bewildered feeling among his students. To this writer—who has seen him pick up a dust-covered, almost forgotten, sixteenth century comedy and make it spring violently to life in all of its hilarious, vigorous, bawdy, sheer-joy-of-living Elizabethan splendor; who has heard him, with a catch in his voice and unfeigned tears in his eyes, read a tragedy about things that never happened to people who never lived; and who has watched an essay come back from his grading pencil bearing a huge "A" on its title page, only to receive another from him, not a month later, slashed mercilessly to ribbons with heavy, black markings and carrying boldly the quite libelous inscription "incredibly

NOTICE

As of today, the "Sou'wester" will be issued at 8:40 a.m. on Thursday instead of 7:30 a.m. This change of schedule was necessitated by the number of students who consistently read the newspaper during the morning chapel services.

USNSA Releases Travel Program

Applications Due March 15

U.S. National Student Association's (NSA) summer program for 1949 has been expanded to include ten study-tours to Europe and Latin America, five work-camps in Europe, and a seminar in Italy, according to Bob West, NSA vice-president for international affairs.

Closing date for all applications by students desiring to participate in these projects has been set for March 15 because of the necessity for selecting the participant, arranging sailings, and preparing orientation material for those selected, said West.

Outstanding among the summer study opportunities is the seminar in Latin literature, architecture, Roman history, and archaeology to be conducted at Sorrento, Italy, August 4 to 29.

Study-tours are being planned to every country in Western Europe and proposed for five countries of Eastern Europe.

Tentative arrangements are being made for a study-tour of Mexico, although final announcement of arrangements for this group, and final closing date for applications, will be made later. Plans are well advanced for a seminar at the University of Mexico for U. S. students, also.

Five work-camp centers are proposed, two in Holland to include fifty U.S. students each and several centers in Britain in harvest camps. In addition, Finland is conducting lumber-working camps for U.S. students, the Holland ISS Committee will include NSA selected students in a German work-camp, and Eastern European work-camps.

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KA NAMES OFFICERS

New officers of the Alpha Epsilon chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order have been installed. They are as follows:

- President—Millen Darnell.
Vice President—Bill Coley.
Secretary—Bill Brown.
Corresponding Secretary—Bill Flowers.
Historian—Bill Craig.
Treasurer—Bill Hedden.
Censor—Lonnie Stanford.
Sergeant at Arms—John Thomas.
Usher—David Thomas.

Student Opinion Poll Answered

Little Action Taken As Yet

Bill Brown

The Student Opinion Poll, sponsored by the Student Council, makes the following report to the student body:

All suggestions that students have submitted have been considered by the Student Council. The results of some of the suggestions are as follows:

New Gym—We have been advised that no definite date has been set for the construction of the new gymnasium. The reason given is that all the finances have not been raised as yet.

Bad Roads—Mr. Rollow has advised that Fraternity and Sorority Rows will be repaired soon. Since receiving his letter, work has already begun and we would like to thank Mr. Rollow for his prompt cooperation.

Insufficient Lighting Around the Campus—Mr. Rollow has advised that it is not practicable to put street lights down Sorority Row. He has done this many times in the past and they always end up broken. However, better lighting around the gymnasium will be had in the near future.

Pools of Water—We have been advised that the large holes over the campus that collect water after each rain will soon be filled in.

Heating—A heater will be moved into the practice room of the gymnasium.

Sorority Intramural Activities—The WAA has advised that it is not practicable to reduce the number of sorority intramurals at the present time. This organization feels that the minor sports are the only ones that the students are not interested in, and the Women's Athletic Association is attempting to create interest in those at the present time.

Eight Weeks Rushing—The Administration is now considering the practicability of changing over to the eight weeks rushing idea.

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WOOTEN WILL SPEAK IN LECTURE SERIES

"New Sources of Energy" will be the topic when Benjamin A. Wooten, Jr., Assistant Professor of Physics, speaks next Monday night, March 14, at 8:00 p.m. in Hardie Auditorium. This will be the second in the current series of Faculty Centennial Lectures under the general title, "The Role of Science in the Future of Mankind."

Panel members will be Major Thomas H. Allen, president, Memphis Light, Gas, and Water Division; and Dr. J. Lister Skinner, Director, W. R. Moore School of Technology.

All students are urged to attend. There is no charge for admission.

Comprehensives Are To Begin This Year

SENIORS NOTE

Representatives of the Tennessee Department of Employment Security will be in the Man Building at 1:30 p.m. today and tomorrow. Members of the June graduating class who would like assistance from these representatives are invited to be present for interviews.

NSA Will Combat Racial Prejudice

Frats, Sororities Attacked

Fraternities and sororities will be the latest groups brought into the NSA Human Relations program under a new project directed toward the combatting of racial and religious prejudice within fraternal organizations.

This project will utilize student governments and interested fraternity members to bring to the attention of local interfraternity councils educative methods of reducing prejudicial attitudes and to aid in the initiation of such methods on each campus.

Largely based on the work of the Fraternity Inter-Racial Relations Committee of the University of Wisconsin, the program will involve four types of action: the distribution of pamphlets and other printed material pertinent of the subject, the engagement of prominent speakers to address the whole campus on racial issues, the provision of group moderators for house discussions inspired by the interracial committee, and the organization of exchange social functions between racial and religious groups.

30 Gridsters For Spring Training

Intra-Squad Games This Month

Approximately thirty men have been dressing out daily for spring football practice, including about 15 lettermen. Spring practice will last about four or five weeks, depending on the weather, but ending in any case by the first of April so as not to conflict with the regular spring sports: golf, tennis, and track.

Coach Clemens states that the main stress during the period will be placed on fundamental skills: passing, kicking, tackling, blocking, ball-handling, etc. He expects to end the practice with an intrasquad game, and there will, of necessity, be some team training in preparation for this event. This game probably will occur during the last week of March.

In addition to the lettermen, a number of new men have come out who show promise of bolstering the team next year. As far as can be ascertained at the present time, last year's starting backfield will return intact, but there may be definite weaknesses in the line due to lack of reserves.

EPIDEMICS IN DORMS STILL OCCUR

A number of dormitory students were reported sick last week in the third round of an epidemic that, according to many of the sick students, is the result of conditions in the dining hall. The college physician, Dr. Frank Tollis, says the cause of the disease is unknown as yet. College and student officials are conducting an investigation to determine the cause and to decide what can be done to remedy the situation.

Mrs. Hill, college dietician, says she is sure the trouble is not due to the food, and that a steam process, used in many eating places, is used to wash the dishes. Students have reported finding lipstick on glasses and cups, and finding food particles between the tines of forks.

Three Three-Hour Exams Have To Be Passed

ENTRANTS FROM '45

Tests To Integrate Work In Major Field

Louise Osborn

Seniors graduating this spring will be the first to be required to pass a set of Comprehensive Examinations in their major fields in order to qualify for a degree. These examinations, expected to assure the student of leaving college with an integrated knowledge of his field and to be of especial aid to anyone intending to do graduate work, must be passed by every student who entered Southwestern in September of 1945 or thereafter.

The examinations will be given in three parts, one each on Saturday, Monday, and Wednesday mornings immediately before the regular finals. Students completing graduation hours requirements in the summer session of school but who have completed their majors may take the Comprehensive with their class in the spring, or may take it in the summer if they prefer. Each part of the test will require three hours for completion. All three parts must be passed.

Students taking Comprehensives will be exempted from all course examinations in their major field in their final semester.

Seniors are urged to see their major professors in order to request a statement summarizing the nature and content of the examination to be given in their fields. These summaries will be helpful in planning a review for the tests, which will cover four years' work. Students having double majors will take comphensives in the major of their choice.

A student who fails one or more of the tests may take a re-examination in those failed with the approval of the Committee on Examinations, which will consult the department concerned. The re-examination may be taken a week before commencement exercises. A second re-examination may be taken.

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Chi O's To Hold Carnation Ball

Event To Be In Gym Saturday

Chi Omega sorority will entertain with a White Carnation Ball from 8 to 12 Saturday evening in Fargason Field House. Johnny Long and his orchestra will play. The gymnasium will be transformed into a white carnation garden with festoons of the flowers decorating each wall of the room.

"Chi Omega White Carnation Ball" will be spelled out above the bandstand in carnations flecked with silver dust. White parachutes caught up with clusters of the blooms will be suspended from the ceiling.

At one end of the gym will stand a huge shiny green cardboard "Chi Omega" in Greek letters. Behind it will glisten a giant cardboard white carnation. As the girls step through the letters during the leadout, each will pin a white carnation boutonniere on her escort. After all the members, pledges, and their escorts have come through the letters, the group will form a circle and link carnations to form a flower chain.

The old officers will put leis of carnations around the necks of the newly elected officers. Vinton Cole, retiring president, attending with Jim Hudson, will present a bouquet of white carnations to the new president.

Chaperones will include Prof. and Mrs. Ralph C. Hon, Prof. and Mrs. Robert W. Johnson, Prof. Julian C. Nall, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rollow, and Prof. and Mrs. Burnet C. Tuthill.

Editorially Speaking:

On Working

It is an old and often-quoted truism that nothing is ever accomplished by merely talking about it. We feel that that quotation might very well be used in answer to the current demand for construction to begin on a new gymnasium for Southwestern.

The administration has announced, as reason for delay in starting the work, a lack of funds. The large amount of money that was raised during the last campaign for building funds and designated specifically for a new gymnasium, has been found to be insufficient in view of present building costs. That money is still in the bank. It was collected, and eventually will be used, for no other purpose than to provide the college with a gymnasium that students will no longer be ashamed to show to visitors.

What we suggest, then, is an obvious solution. We would like to see some campus organization, or a combination of organizations, undertake, as a project for the remainder of this school year, a campus campaign for the purpose of making a start at providing the necessary additional funds. However small may be the immediate results of such an effort, it will be a beginning, and a beginning in the right direction. Perhaps, if the Memphis and Mid-South supporters of Southwestern see that the students have stopped talking and are realistically acting, that small beginning may grow into a widespread, joint effort which will give us the results we are seeking, and which we so badly need.

On Sickness

The past week has witnessed the third epidemic of mysterious sickness among the student body to strike during this school year, and also the third wave of student accusations concerning the reason for that epidemic. The whole affair has now progressed to such an extent that a full investigation is to be made by both student and college officials, the sort of investigation that has been so long, and so vainly, called for by this newspaper.

We ask the student body, however, to bear in mind that an investigation by no means carries with it an assumption of guilt, regardless of how obviously an open-and-shut case this may appear to some. That an investigation is being carried on should be sufficient at the present time to quiet the daily increase in student dissension.

Something, at long last, is being done by those in authority. Let us reserve our voiced opinion for just a little while longer, wait, and see.

A Resolution

Adopted by the Southwestern Student Council, March 3, 1949

Whereas, We consider the painting of the Lynx Cat statues an act of vandalism; and

Whereas, We believe such an act to be in violation of the principles and ideals of Southwestern; and

Whereas, We feel that such an act should be publicly denounced; therefore,

Resolved, That, the Southwestern Student Council strongly condemns this act.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Bill:

During the last few weeks I have found these letters to the editor of much interest, and I thought that you might be in a position to do something about the situation that exists in our dining hall.

The whole affair started with the first episode of food poisoning, which was during November if I remember correctly. At that time there were about fifty of the students in the three dormitories who were affected by it. At that time I thought about complaining to the authorities, but I thought that it might be one of those things that can't be helped. Now I find that it is something entirely different. Students have been hit by this same poisoning for the third time now, and it doesn't take much reasoning for me to see that there must be something behind the situation.

Let me cite a few examples of the filth I have found prevalent in the dining hall. Of course, I have found sand and other grit in the greens a number of times, but it is not the food that is my chief complaint. There is absolutely no sense in the students putting up with the unsanitary conditions which are before their eyes every day.

To begin with, I have found lipstick on my glass a number of times, and the last time I found some I took the glass to Mrs. Hill along with another glass that had grease around the rim, and she agreed with me that she wouldn't have used either of the glasses, but in her polite manner she explained that the people in the kitchen didn't have time to wash the silver and plates by hand and used a steam process. She would not take the blame for the lipstick or the grease, and when I went back to my table I found nothing less than dried spaghetti between the prongs of

my fork. Steam process or no steam process, there is no reason whatsoever for such lax methods in the washing of dishes and utensils.

Yesterday at noon a young lady from Voorhies sat down at our table and she seemed to be provoked. It turned out that she had picked up six cups before she found one that didn't have lipstick on it. Now what kind of so-called sanitation do you call that?

If the people in charge of the dining hall would take at least part of the blame for all this sickness, the situation might be different, but they completely ignore any possibility of their being to blame. Yesterday morning a friend of mine was in the breakfast line and Mrs. Hill noticed that he had nothing but a glass of fruit juice on his tray. She asked him why he didn't take some of the nice eggs, etc., and he told her that he was sick and had a terrible stomach ache. She told him that he must have contracted a cold. Do you think that a cold would keep a person trotting up and down the hall all night?

I don't know what can be done about this situation, but I do have a few suggestions. First, I think that the Board of Health should thoroughly investigate the situation. I live in Little Rock, and a few years ago the Board of Health decided to clean up the cafes. They required all cafes and other types of eating establishments to comply with certain regulations or they could not open their doors. I doubt very seriously that this dining hall could pass the requirements for a grade C cafe!

It seems to me that the faculty should know of this situation as well as the students. I believe that through them as well as the Student Council we could get something done.

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Campus Politics

Robert Cobb

Last Thursday I was allowed to sit in upon a Student Council meeting in order to find out how they went about their business and what it consisted of. My preconceived opinion of this meeting was fortunately "all wet". They meet each Thursday in the Bell Room at 6:00 p.m.; and after having supper, they get down to business. Last Thursday, a recording of the meeting was made. The whole meeting was run off on a semiformal basis, the rules of order being neither strictly adhered to nor completely forgotten. A member might interrupt another who was speaking, but there were no floor seizures. It seemed to me that the rules of order were followed in the proportions most conducive to the good transaction of business.

No Bickering, Pettiness

I had imagined that the period might be consumed by foolish bickerings and great attention to minor matters, but this was certainly not the case. The fact that this council has a great deal of power on the campus became evident from the nature of the business dealt with. We might understand the Council better if we now study through one of their meetings.

After the completion of the supper, Jim Turner called the meeting to order by saying, "We will now proceed to the regular order of business." Next, the minutes of the preceding meeting were read by the secretary (Peggy Marshall). After that, "Right Hand Man" Boswell had his say. It concerned the time of having the April Fool and Popularity elections.

Next, the various commissioners made their reports. Kent reported that SABA would give a supper for the basketball team in the next two weeks. Ann Brown reported that the YWCA would give a party to raise money to send ten students to Switzerland. About \$5,500.00 will need to be raised. Brandon then announced that there was some fuss being raised about people reading the Sou'wester in chapel. A motion made to request Editor Hatchett to start putting them out after chapel instead of 7:30 a.m. passed seven to one, with several not voting. Mills had no report. Next, Davis reported on the Pan's meeting, which had to do with eight weeks pledging. The fact that the Lynx needs money and that plans for an April Fool Carnival have been announced in the Sou'wester were also mentioned. There was a flurry about the date changing on the social calendar (due to the Faculty), and some indignation over it. The informal atmosphere prevailed (Boswell smoking).

Next, there were the committee and class officer reports. First, Schillig mentioned that a man working through the NSA, writing an article for Collier's, wanted to get some information about the Honor Council. Schillig also moved that the Student Council ask the librarian to purchase some

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Club Talk



A Junior Class hayride at Clearpool Lodge will be held on Saturday, March 19. There will be dancing, good food, and entertainment by Jim Davis, and Johnny Bryant and his Jasper Junction Boys.

Someone will be in the Cloister through Friday of this week to receive the assessment from all Juniors who have not already paid.

Zeta Tau Alpha sorority will entertain the student body with a backward dance from 5 to 8 p.m. today in Voorhies Playroom. Zeta pledges will handle the arrangements, with Patricia Tomlinson, social chairman, acting as general chairman. Tickets may be purchased from any Zeta active or pledge. Admission price will be 40 cents, stag or drag.

New pledges of Kappa Omicron chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi, and their mothers, were honored guests yesterday when the AOP Mothers' Club entertained with a tea from 3 to 5 p.m. A low gold bowl filled with forsythia, jonquils, and fern centered the tea table. Bettie Connally, president of the active chapter, introduced all active and

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if this be treason

Tiresias

Something further about candles:

"My candle burns at both ends It will not last the night— But ah my foes and oh my friends It gives a lovely light."

Edna St. Vincent Millay

It is a pity that the sincere regret felt by his students at Dr. Townsend's departure could not have been shared by the inheritor of his favorite class. It was shocking to see this man, Dr. Townsend's inferior in years and experience, deliberately and before a large number of pupils attempt to discredit the methods used by our beloved Doctor, when it would have been so easy and so tactful to have been complimentary. His right to disagree is not questioned. His taste in making such remarks is certainly doubtful.

"Baron Wen Chi said that he always thought three times before he acted. When Confucius heard this, he remarked, 'To think twice is quite enough!'"

Wisdom of China and India

Religious meditations seem appropriate after my remark of last week, so I offer the following quote as expressive of the new humility which has come to me

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Upstairs In Palmer



Regular visitors to the periodical room (first-door-to-your-right-at-the-top-of-the-stairs) are aware of the presence of the more popular publications which are arranged alphabetically on the racks of the south side of the room.

The more fashion conscious codes breathlessly await the arrival of the new Mademoiselle, dreaming of flounced skirts, draping necklines, and the summer silhouette.

The mechanically inclined find Popular Science, Science Illustrated, and Scientific Monthly ever so intriguing.

As a mark of sophistication, some few are avid New Yorker readers. Professor Wassermann insists that the New Yorkers are the only American jokes he can understand.

Fewer students are acquainted with the periodicals which are placed on the shelves around the walls of the room. Many of these scholarly publications lie forgotten for the month or quarter pending the new edition, gathering layer upon layer of dust.

One contributing factor to the failure of the students to make use of these valuable sources of information is that they are actually unaware of their existence. Therefore, aware of our mission in life, we take it upon ourselves to point out one group of the "forgotten ones" which we think a large number of students will find interesting.

For the advanced student of language (or maybe not so advanced, but at least eager) there are a number of periodicals published in French, Spanish, and German. One can combine increased ability in reading and enjoyment . . . that's a neat trick, too.

In French, by far the most attractive publication is Realities, a magazine with an attractive layout, and many quite interesting articles amply illustrated with color photographs. This magazine provides entertainment for even the non-French reader.

Realities litteraires is a supplement of Realities. This smaller publication presents a play in each issue. Current issue's play is Quand le chant n'est pas la . . . de Paul Vandenberghe. Intriguing title . . .

Revue de la Pensee Francaise is an American publication presenting French-written articles and stories, not to mention cartoons with French captions.

Yale French Studies is published semi-annually at Yale University. Its contributors vary from issue to issue, and they invite contributions on announced subjects for following issues. The current issue is on modern poets: surrealists, Baudelaire, Perse, Laforgue, and others.

For the Spanish student we have Cuadernos Americanos, published

RANDOMONIUM

David Ruffin

MODUS VIVENDI

In silence walk your wretched span; in silence

Be like Time that passes silently And live unheeded: you shall so go, once dead. —Palladas

I was sitting alone last night at "106" when I whizzed a small, brown beetle, the sort that one suddenly finds on his writing table during late spring and summer . . . come in from no apparent rent in the screen . . . just there, that's all! The conduct of my cocky, nocturnal visitor, whom we'll dub "Mr. Wilful," suggested man's nature . . . suggested life with all its mistakes crowded into less than an hour.

Wilful deliberately came out of vast Night's sable womb into my cramped, glarish "106" (not unlike a universe set off to itself). Landing on my typewriter, the inquisitive fellow immediately began an investigation of A, S, D, F . . . whereupon I picked up the neighboring "Mikado No. 2," and with its point turned the nose gently over his back. A considerable struggle ensued as Wilful tried with all his might to right himself . . . like a child making an adaptation. Feeling a bit sorry for him, I put the lad on his feet again, and then—ZOOM! Away went Wilful like a fool adolescent trying out new wings in a cramped place; he

hit the goor head on with a resounding THUD . . . and fell to the floor . . . bottom side up again. I didn't set him right that time, but let him wiggle for himself as the saying goes. Finally he got right again only to take to the ether a second time . . . dashed against a glass-covered print — "The Passing of Buddha" . . . Wilful was on his back once more—ready and willing, but for the time unable.

Striking on an idea, I flipped the lights and set my candle burning for temptation just to note Wilful's reaction. It was not unlike a beautiful, forbidden woman in a sleek, white gown and flaming tiara . . . plenty hot, and believe me—once on his feet, Wilful flew straight for it! Feeling that he really couldn't use a candle and deserved one warning, I dealt him a rather persuasive swat, but was disappointed to see him rise in an impudent manner and fly for the bright lights again. So Wilful paid with his wings like the fool, Icarus, who wanted to fly to the sun and arrived at a certain height, lost his wings, and dropped into the sea. I turned on the light and gave my candle a puff; it was as though the thing had never burned at all, but Wilful's wings were gone. Without doubt, he would never fly again, so must content himself with walking ever so slowly across an enormous floor that went to No-where; he was like an old aviator—retired and crippled.

It was at this point that George Case opened my door, walked in, and stepped on Wilful before I could utter a word in his behalf . . . very like that impending force called "Fate" that hangs over Man.

To be very frank, Wilful was no more . . . that is, the spark of Wilful's being was no more . . . to be sure, there was a sort of flat evidence that such a beetle had been there. George left shortly, and I scooped Wilful up on a China Relief blotter, opened the screen, and sent him back where he came

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News And Views

Bob Starr

Statehood for Hawaii

Last week a House sub-committee unanimously approved legislation authorizing the admission of Hawaii as the 49th state. My only objection to this action is that it has been too long delayed. I believe the general public sentiment favors statehood for this territory, whose inhabitants have been citizens of the United States since 1900.

Hawaii's desire to become a state is not a new problem in Congress. Many times in the past their request has been denied for various, and sometimes trivial, reasons, but perhaps, at last, the dream of its 423,000 people is near realization.

Too many people think of Hawaii as a land of sultry, sarong-clad females, swaying to the pagan beat of native music. To be sure, one can find these beautiful dancing girls, but only in the night clubs under a cover charge which makes the average American wince as he reaches for his mazouza.

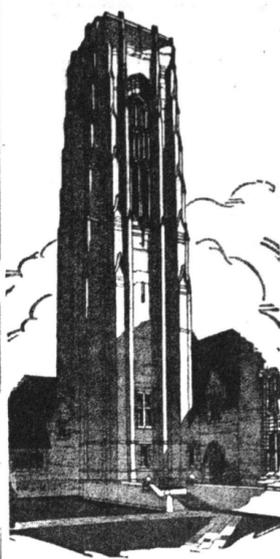
Contrary to popular belief, Honolulu, capital city of the territory, is a bustling, modern city where the people dress, speak, and think American. Its office buildings are of the modern design, and it is served by a fast and efficient transit service. (Memphis Street Railway take note.) Hawaii as a whole has an excellent school system. Production of sugar and pineapple, as well as countless other agricultural products, make her a valuable asset to the United States.

Surely this territory, which long ago met all the qualifications for statehood, should be denied no longer the privilege and advantages of becoming the 49th member of the brotherhood of states. What? No Air Lift?

The Russian Repatriation Mission in Frankfurt, Germany, packed their bags and departed for the Russian Zone shortly after noon last Friday after having been blockaded for thirty six hours in their headquarters without benefit of heat, lights, water, telephones, or food. An armed patrol of American Military Policemen surrounded the building with orders to let no one out and no one in. General Clay, American Military Governor, had ordered the mission out of the American Zone by March 1, later extending the deadline to 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 2. General Clay pointed out that a repatriation mission was illegal as well as useless. It seems that no Russians in the American

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Chapel Chimes



G. A. Chauncey

The German philosopher Nietzsche divides ethical systems into "master morality" and "slave morality." Master morality is that of the fearless man who arouses fear, that of the strong man who accepts life's challenge with a will to Power. Slave morality is that of the decadent who inverts nature, that of the weakling who evades life's challenge with a will to perish. Christianity is an outspoken embodiment of this degenerate slave morality.

In varying degrees, many non-Christians agree with Nietzsche. For them, Christianity is a morality suitable only for decadents and weaklings. It is a refuge sought by those unable to cope with the harsher "Realities" of life. It is sheer escapism.

Is this trenchant and not altogether unfounded criticism valid? Or, on the other hand, is it not a failure to recognize Christianity as the most exacting and worthy challenge with which man is confronted? Note these observations:

In the first place, Jesus proposes absolute devotion to the highest in life. He is discontent with petty shams and half-way loyalties. He challenges man to recognize clearly life's chief good, and to pledge himself to it. Hear him say, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and righteousness—" Jesus demands more than partial acknowledgement of God by man's intellect; he calls for the complete devotion of man's whole nature: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and

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QUESTION Of The Week

Vivienne Chilton

What do you think about subsidized athletics at Southwestern?

George Bugbee: "A small liberal arts college should concentrate on scholastics, and leave big time athletics to the others."

Parker Hernon: "About time they had it!"

Jack Doyle: "I think we'd best leave it as it is now."

Johnny Remmers: "I think we ought to have some; I am getting hungry!"

Jane Dewbre: "I definitely approve. I believe that it would draw a favorable lot of Delta people and some from the surrounding territory."

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Letters To The Editor . . .

(Continued from Page 2) There is another side to this question. Does the faculty think that the students can study properly and keep their work up when they spend the night with an upset stomach? You know as well as I that in a school of this caliber, a person can't miss classes by spending the day in bed and maintain a good record.

The students of this school pay \$160 each per semester for the privilege of eating in the dining hall. There are 244 students who are listed in the student directory as living in the dormitories. This means that they pay a grand total of \$39,040 each semester for food. This figure doesn't include the amount paid for extras and the money received from people who have not paid in advance. Doesn't it seem feasible to you that with nearly \$40,000 per semester we could at least have clean food, and most of all, clean dishes, cups, silver, etc.?

I realize that the cost of food is high, and that good help is not only hard to get, but has to be well paid, but there is no sense in the students of this school having to put up with such foolishness and mismanagement as has been evident during the last five months.

Bill, you and your staff are doing a wonderful job, and I think that by putting the situation before the eyes of the school we can get something done.

Sincerely, Dudley Wardlaw (According to a news story in this issue, college and student officials are at present conducting an investigation into the matter of campus sickness. See editorial on page 2.—Ed.)

March 5, 1949

Dear Bill: I should like to make clear a couple of points about the recent Stylus which I think are generally misunderstood on the campus.

First, we have to print the best of what we get. The reason the latest issue of the magazine contained so much work of members in the organization was simply that we received so few manuscripts that we had no choice but to "pad" the magazine with our own work. Of non-member works that were published, the best were chosen and pretty adequately reflect the general character of the material that came in.

Secondly, the magazine represents the whole student body either by "omission" or by "commission." If all the material we receive is of the so-called Realistic School, we have no choice but to choose the best of it for our publication. (At that, I believe most people who will take a second look at the magazine will find that at least half of the material is not of the kind objected to by many commentators.) The way to get a different kind of story and poem published is to prod up yourself, or your literary friends if you don't write. If the material comes in and if it has literary merit it will be printed. But it has to come in. Obviously the members of Stylus cannot write it for you. There are in our organization members who hold to half a dozen schools of writing and some who hold to no particular school. If you will compare the work of some who appear in this issue and who have had previous work published you will find that they have written in a variety of styles, experimenting, trying to find themselves. We are not trying to shock anybody, nor to put out an obscene publication, nor claim any long hair-dilletantish, literary ideas. Our purpose is to put out a magazine that is representative of the literary talent at Southwestern. This magazine does that. If it offends, we are sorry, but we do not take the complete blame because some of it is based on misunderstanding, and more of it is based on a lack of effort on the part of people who could write if they would but who, for one reason or another, never get around to it. If this magazine is not a complete success, I would like to ask the student body at large if they feel, themselves, no responsibility for it.

Bill Marsh, President Stylus Club

Feb. 28, 1949

Dear Sir:

Liberty of thought is a priceless American heritage. But it is no longer news that this heritage has been trampled upon at the University of Washington where three professors were fired for holding unorthodox political beliefs.

An immediate consequence of this action was the spontaneous formation of the Students Organization for Academic Rights (SOAR), which is a non-partisan organization of students with a broad representation of political and social opinions, governed by 25 outstanding student leaders. SOAR is united in the aim of preserving freedom of thought and expression on the University of Washington campus and in support of the policies of the American Association of University Professors. We do not attempt to answer current questions concerning Communism and Democracy nor to pass judgment on any ideology, but rather maintain that every man should be judged individually by his peers on the basis of his acts and that therefore a professor's qualifications to teach should be finally judged by his colleagues on the basis of his actual performance in the classroom as attested to by his students and by colleagues in his field.

In order to express publicly our strong belief in these basic ideals of American Democracy, SOAR immediately held a student rally at the University Unitarian Church at which three university professors and a Unitarian minister spoke in defense of our apparently fast disappearing freedom of academic thought on the University of Washington campus. The same week an open letter to the AAUP was circulated for student signatures. We have since held several other rallies and are now planning on bringing nationally recognized educators, writers, and scientists to the University.

We are writing you as fellow students for two reasons: first, because you should realize that academic freedom may at any time be abrogated on your campus; and second, to enlist your aid in the battle that SOAR is spear-heading at the University of Washington. Our funds come from voluntary student contributions and are consequently limited. To those of you who are deeply concerned over these issues and would like to help further the cause that SOAR is pledged to uphold, contributions may be made payable to the Students Organization for Academic Rights and mailed to 2710 Westlake Ave. No., Apt. No. 1, Seattle 9, Washington. Even more important, write to Dr. Ralph Himstead, Secretary, American Association of University Professors, 1101 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington 6, D.C. expressing your dissatisfaction with the recent action taken at the University of Washington. For further information about SOAR and its work, contact Miss Afton Woolley, Correspondence Chairman at the above address.

Very truly yours, Robert W. Craig Chairman, SOAR

The Missing Lynx

Spring, I fear, will soon be upon us! A more horrible thing I cannot imagine. I detest spring; it is the season of idiots. (I would add—and of lovers, were it not obviously redundant.) Fresh air, even in midwinter, is fit only for editors and professors, but befogged as it is in the coming period, by mooning couples, frisking dogs, and over-stimulated intellectuals, it becomes unbearable. Soon I shall be forced to dig out my left-over air-raid curtains and shut from my eyes the miserable sight of this old world cavorting through its second childhood.

Now take Thad, my unsexed water moccasin. There is a living example of the disasters which come with spring. For you see, poor Thad was not always sexless. When he was born in a little Mississippi pond he had just as much sex as any other snake. And in this pleasant sexy state, he would have remained, had not that accursed time of the year come, bringing with it the usual adolescent feelings of restlessness and curiosity. Thad, touched with this disease, began dashing about the pond, crawling up and rolling in the mud, and testing his rapidly developing fangs on all passersby. Had he been himself he surely would have ignored the pretty little female moccasin he discovered one morning lying coyly on her back in the sun. He was not himself, however. He not only noticed the enticing lady; he became speechless with admiration. Forgotten were the wise words of his teachers and father. They had thoroughly instructed him in the facts of life, telling him bluntly, that while no female was to be trusted, the female snake was to be positively avoided. But it was all to no avail. Thad could think of nothing except his love for this delightful and lovely young thing. Her eyes sparkled like jewels; her skin was moist and covered with the most beautiful scales in the world; her little tongue waved back and forth in an absolutely enchanting fashion.

What followed was the usual nauseating process. She used all the well-known tricks to catch him. She caught him. He, following the well-worn pattern, gave her his snat pin, sent her tadpoles and flies, and in general behaved like a babbling idiot. He was caught—but good.

The affaire d'amour went well for awhile. Since they said and did all the prescribed things in the prescribed manner, life moved on smoothly. Poor Thad—he forgot everything, including the season, and sincerely believed that this was forever. Never did he realize that, on the other hand, the lady kept the facts quite straight, and knew very well that it was not forever, only a rapidly passing season.

It was because of this that Thad suffered a soul-rending shock when, late that summer, he happened upon his one and only love in the act of shedding her skin with a handsome male moccasin. You cannot imagine the agony he suffered. Being more sensitive than most, he could not casually take back his pin and calmly wait for the next spring and the next love. Indeed, it seemed that the unfortunate creature would not even live through the winter, so terribly was he affected.

It happened, however, that there lived in the same pond a very wise old turtle who knew many things and spoke few. Struck with pity at the sad plight of the young snake, he finally called Thad to him and told him what he must do to recover. If Thad wanted no more of love, he must seek the Goddess of Mercy, Kuan Yin, and beg aid of her. If he were successful in his search for the powerful daughter of heaven, he would be granted the blissful state of sexlessness, and not only would recover from his late affair, but would never again be forced to respond to the wiles of spring.

And that is how Thad came to me. For in my room, here in the attic of Robb, dwells the goddess, Kuan Yin. My friend came many years ago, weary and bitter, after many months of searching for the one who would cure him. The goddess was gracious and granted Thad what he asked. Since then he hardly notices when the weather becomes warm and flowers begin to bloom. He only blinks his eyes at the impossible amount of light, and snuggles down further into the wheels and bolts of my typewriter.

And from this tale, my children, be warned. Draw your curtains tight and thrust your nose a little deeper into your book. The dangerous season approaches. Walk with caution.

One of the purposes of Examination A will be to test the student's literary judgment in addition to his factual knowledge.

Examination B. The second exam. will be made up of a number of broad discussion questions selected from the various fields in which students have taken their advanced studies. Enough questions will be given so that the student may elect questions from those fields in which he has taken courses, and he will have some choice even from these. In this way, each English major may take the same set of examination questions, and separate examinations will not be necessary.

Examination C. The third paper will be devoted to a single question, with various options, which will be of an integrating or synthesizing nature. It will deal with pursuing a type of literature through a number of different periods, or even throughout the whole sweep of English literature. For example, aspects of the theme of nature as it appears in the works of various poets of various periods may be taken up. The organization of material, its presentation in a logical form, and a certain grasp of literary history as a whole will be especially considered in this third examination.

Each department will write examinations on its own plan. But, for what it may be worth as an example of the possibilities of the Comprehensive, the plan for the examination in the English department is here outlined.

Examination A. A general omnibus examination in the field of English literature, including some items from American literature. This examination is modeled to a considerable extent upon the Graduate Record examination in English. The types of questions included will be identifying authors, works, and periods from which quotations are given; selection of the best interpretation of a quoted passage from a list of suggested interpretations; authorship of well-known literary studies; and dates of significance in literary history.

Travel . . .

(Continued from Page 1) camps are expected to reserve places for U. S. students.

In all the summer programs, departure will be from Quebec on the 15th or 30th of June, and return will be to New York the first week in September.

Sherman Baggett fans are notified that the second installment in the "Cassalong Hop-pidy" series has been written, and will be published in our next issue.—Ed.

Student Concert Given In Wynne

Artists Play To Full House

Wynne, Arkansas, was given a performance by three students from the College of Music—Peggy Marshall, Dottie Steindorff, and Leslie Thompson—who presented a joint voice and piano recital, March 1, under the auspices of the Wynne Music Club. Peggy Marshall opened the program singing "With Verdue Clad" by Haydn, "Spesso Vibra PerSuo Gioco" and "Son Tutta Duolo" by Scharlatti, and Mozart's "Alleluia." Next on the agenda was a group of piano selections performed by Dottie Steindorff, followed by another vocal group, this time by Leslie Thompson. The order of the second half of the program was like that of the first. Peggy began with a group of American songs, after which Dottie played Schumann's "Concerto in A minor", assisted at the second piano by Miss Lois Maer. Leslie closed the program singing "O God Have Mercy" by Mendelssohn, "Fear No More The Heat O' The Sun" by Roger Quilter, "My Lady Walks in Loveliness" by Ernest Charles, and Frank Bridge's "O, That It Were So." Both vocalists were ably accompanied at the piano by Miss Marjorie Ashcraft.

Considering the competition offered by Buck "Stuffy" Turner and his free Wild West show, who had set up shop in another building and was giving away prizes all during the time the musical program was being presented, the students from the College of Music consider themselves lucky to have had a full house. Among the Memphians in the audience were Dr. and Mrs. Marshall, Dr. and Mrs. Tutthill, Mr. Neumon Leighton, Miss Gladys Cauthen, Harry Edwall, Phyllis Thornburg, Jack Crutcher, and Gloria Brown.

All three artists were at their best, and the Wynne audience forcibly demonstrated its approval with much applause.

POEM

She comes a sister of the dawn and soft as rustle of the leaves she brings.

Four children yet but one can turn the others to the plow and mark a fertile soil.

Make haste to sow hopes' seed and then in leisure reap the harvest that the heart has won.

And gladly sing a toast for honor to our lady of the earth.

be picked up by the mailman.

Saturday Classes—Because of the Southwestern system of classes, three hours a week in each subject is necessary. Therefore it would be impossible to stop the practice of Saturday classes.

Required Class Attendance—Upperclassmen who are on the Dean's List are allowed "free cuts" but the administration does not deem it advisable to allow unlimited cuts to all students.

Lack of enough Social Activities—Open houses and other social activities are sponsored very often for the entire student body. Friday afternoon dances, however, have not been too popular (no reflection on the dance put on last Friday—it was very good) and will only be held when sponsored by some group on the campus.

Other suggestions that have recently been received will be answered by the Student Council in the near future. The Student Council is considering each suggestion seriously and would like to receive more suggestions from students who have ideas for the improvement of Southwestern.

INTRAMURALS

Bill Boyce

The intramural basketball tournament got underway last week, and including games of Saturday, SAE, Kappa Sigma, and Kappa Alpha looked like the teams to beat. The tournament is a double elimination affair, and only these quintets remained undefeated at that point.

In the opening battle, SAE bested ATO by a 37-19 count. Following this game KA overwhelmed the Independents 46-22. Bob Allen and Millen Darnell led the victors' attack with 11 each, but surrendered scoring honors to Clyde Smith of the Independents who had 13. Kappa Sigma routed Sigma Nu 49-23 in the third game of the opening round. Thompson Dabney, newly-acquired from the varsity, paced the point-makers with 16. PiKA drew a bye in the opening round.

Kappa Sig reached the second round by trouncing the Pikes 40-17. Dabney again was the big gun for the victors, this time with 19. ATO dropped out of the running as the Independents overcame a large deficit in the waning minutes to triumph 45-44. Clyde Smith led the way with 24, and Tony

Elizondo and Charles Landrum dropped in 14 apiece for ATO. The tournament will close this week, the final game having been tentatively scheduled for today.

Table with 3 columns: LEADING SCORERS, Games, Pts., Avg. Clyde Smith 10 145 14.5, Dan West 8 89 11.1, Tony Elizondo 10 111 11.1, Bill Maybry 8 87 10.9, Jack Hall 8 86 10.8, Bob Allen 9 91 10.1

Play in badminton has been slow so far; no semifinal matches have yet been played. It is hoped that this sport can soon be completed and winners announced.

The annual indoor track meet was held last week with SAE emerging on top with a total of 13 points. PiKA and KA finished in a tie for second place with 10 each, ATO was third, and Sigma Nu ended up in fourth position. The first event on the program, the rope climb, was won easily by Wayne Pate of PiKA. In the chin-ching contest SAE and ATO finished one-two, but the results were eventually thrown out because of confusion over the rules. The Pikes took first place in the free throw event, sinking 27 out of 50. The basketball relay was captured by the ATO team with surprising ease. Jack Doyle of SAE won the standing broad jump over Billy Joe Crissamore and Eldon Roark. SAE clinched their victory by winning the battelball event, last on the evening's program.

The golf entries have been turned in, and play in this sport is now getting underway. No finishing date has been set at this writing.

Club Talk . . .

(Continued from Page 2) pledges to the mothers. Peggy Marshall led the group in the singing of sorority songs.

Marion Lee Dwyer of Memphis is the latest pledge of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. Marion Lee, a sophomore transfer from David Lipscomb College, Nashville, was pledged Saturday afternoon, March 5th.

Wednesday afternoon, March 2, the sorority initiated Betty Lee, a sophomore of this city.

Sigma Nu fraternity entertained the entire student body with a tea dance Friday, March 4, from 4 to 7 p.m. Johnny Long and his orchestra played for dancing. Small tables placed around the dance floor added to the cabaret atmosphere. A lighted "white star" crest of the fraternity, gleamed above the bandstand. Guests enjoyed light refreshments served by Sigma Nu members.

First freshman to be selected for membership in Pi Intersorority is Beverly Morris of Mobile, Alabama. Beverly was brought out Tuesday, March 1. A recent candidate for freshman queen, Beverly is a pledge of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, and a member of the Alabama Club and YWCA.

STAB Intersorority has named Anne Marie Caskey as its second freshman member. The first, Hattie Lee Edens, was tapped on Friday, Feb. 25. Anne Marie, a graduate of Central High School, is a Chi Omega pledge, a member of the YWCA, and was a candidate for freshman queen.

Epsilon Sigma chapter of Sigma Nu fraternity announces the initiation into membership of Tom Jolly on Tuesday, March 1. Two students who have recently pledged the fraternity are Oliver McKeithan and Dick Tilson.

Grades . . .

(Continued from Page 1) Freshman: 2.293 Women's average was 2.559; men's, 2.403; and veterans', 2.441. Student body average was 2.462. Averages are computed with A's as 4 points; B's, 3; C's, 2; and D's, 1.

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Student Poll . . .

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Comprehensive Examinations—The Student Council has submitted to the Classifications Committee the suggestion that the 1949 graduates should not be required to take comprehensives. This committee has not met yet.

Dining Hall—A letter has been written to Mrs. Hill concerning conditions in the dining hall and a reply is expected soon.

The Student Council believes that no actions are necessary on the below suggestions for the following reasons:

Discontinuance of Chapel—Because Southwestern is a Presbyterian College, it strives to foster religious activities on the campus, and the chapel services will be continued as they have through the years. Also, chapel is never scheduled to begin until 8:35 a.m., and it usually begins promptly at this time.

Improvement of the "Sou'wester"—It is the plan of Bill Hatchett and the Publications Board to improve this paper during the semester.

Science Hall Laboratories—The labs in the Science Building are being reconditioned but it is still forbidden by safety rules to allow smoking there.

Mail Box—There is a mail box on University Street between Neely and Evergreen Halls and it is within easy walking distance of the campus. Also, mail may be left in the registrar's office to

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with all thy strength."

Furthermore, Jesus demands the highest in social responsibility. Second only to love for God is love for neighbor. And for Jesus, our neighbor consists of all mankind. By virtue of that in him which constitutes his humanity, man has value. And because of this value, the Christian is to love and serve him regardless of his race, religion, or creed. Thus Jesus says, "love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you." This social challenge is so intimately attached to the Christian's religious experience, that Jesus can ask, "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"

Finally, Jesus challenges man with the highest personal standard ever conceived. After contrasting his proposed way of life with the ordinary standard, Jesus exhorts, "You therefore must be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect." Jesus offers no compromise of body, mind, or spirit. He promises no easy life. Rather, he says, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

Surely if these be true characteristics of Christianity, these demands for complete devotion to the highest in life, for undying service to all mankind, for eternal aim at self-perfection, if these be true, Christianity is no weakening of morality. Rather, it is a challenge worthy of every man at his best.

Randomonium . . .

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from—vast Night, sister to Sleep, Death, and Grave.

Going to breakfast this morning, I saw him there on the earth—Wilful, a few dead twigs, a cigarette butt with lipstick on its tip, a bit of dirty string, and droppings (of some transient sparrow, no doubt). Soon he was to become a part of the soil from which he was created . . . unknown to anyone . . . AN EXTINGUISHED SPARK OF LIFE THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN THE MOTIVATING FORCE OF A MAN INSTEAD OF A BEETLE WHO CAME AND PASSED IN LESS THAN AN HOUR.

Reader, if you please, don't smile About the simple things I say. For you, Wilful, and I All act in Life's ironic play Wherein our minor lines we blurt To outdo the Ignoramus who so soon Will cover us with dirt. And the audience that we tried to sway Will forget us and our hurried lines Long ere the ending of their transient day. So, why hurry Life? It does not last And a loitered day spends half as fast!

Campus Politics . . .

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books having to do with student government, which Bunn said would be used in connection with the Student Government Clinic. The resolution passed.

Bunn gave his report on the Student Government Clinic and reported the advantages and disadvantages of having it here. The matter of the point system was then brought up. Turner appointed a committee to look into the matter of changing it in some respects. It was mentioned that some new organizations on the campus should be included in the point system. Bill Brown mentioned the Student Opinion Polls and said that favorable action had been taken on a number of sug-

HISSING WITH HISEY

Phil Hisey

Robert Merrill, sponsored by the Beethoven Club, will sing at Ellis Auditorium tonight. He is well known for his operatic works and for his Sunday afternoon radio program.

In the very near future the Angier Association is presenting two concerts which will be of interest to a great many people. They are Nelson Eddy and a piano duo, Vronski and Babin. Nelson Eddy will appear on March 12 and Vronski and Babin will appear March 15.

Mr. Eddy is very well known for his appearances in the motion pictures and for his radio programs. He has performed twenty-eight roles with Philadelphia opera companies.

Vronski and Babin are a piano team that is very renowned. They are considered to be among the best duo pianists.

Lovers of Sigmund Romberg and his music filled the south hall of Ellis Auditorium on March 2. They showed their appreciation of the music by the generous applause. Mr. Romberg, who is noted for light musicals, followed his tradition of presenting a program of light music.

The orchestra was most peculiarly arranged. The podium was by the right hand curtain. The orchestra was naturally facing Mr. Romberg on the podium. Occasionally the accompaniments by the orchestra were too loud.

Mme. Jarmila Novotna, the official star vocalist, seemed physically tight but trying, unsuccessfully, to relax in the first half of the program. Her interpretation of Salome's Aria from Massenet's opera "Herodias" was not too bad, but not, by far, excellent. Later in the second half she seemed a little more relaxed. Mme. Novotna has fair breath control and very good English diction. She always scooped up to her last notes and occasionally her voice would go back into her throat.

Gene Marvey, a baritone who sang a falsetto tenor, was by far the worst vocalist on the program.

gestions made.

Hall of Fame

Next, the various members of the Council nominated secretly the names of the people who should be in the Hall of Fame this year. These names are turned over to the Hall of Fame committee which, while not bound by the nominations, usually follows the suggestions made.

Other business was then brought up. Boswell discussed the point system again, saying that if an organization does not have its constitution in the hands of the Student Council it should not be under the point system and should not be allowed to hold chapel. Turner then said that the Joint Pan must get a constitution.

Bunn then mentioned the matter of suspected food poisoning which has recently occurred. He moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter. The resolution passed. The Student Council decided to issue a statement condemning the vandalistic painting of the Lynx Cats. This motion was made by Brandon and passed. Boswell mentioned that Mr. Reveley wanted the spring elections to be held earlier (so as to enable a new Christian Union to be formed before the annual spring retreat). This was discussed but no action was taken on the matter. There was no more business and a motion to adjourn passed. Bill Brown and Kent, who were ill, had left slightly earlier. Some of the members stayed on in order to listen to the recording of the meeting.

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It appeared that he had very good breath control until he took a breath in the middle of the word "Amen" at the close of Malotte's "Lord's Prayer." His diction was exceedingly poor and he had very little volume. When hearing him sing a high note and then a low one, or vice-versa, one would think two different people were singing.

Victoria Sherry was unofficially the star of the show. Her's was the best voice. She had pretty good breath control and average technique. When she would start a phrase on a high note, she would go through all sorts of contortions to get it. However, when she hit it, it was a good tone.

Mr. Romberg got into the spirit of the music being presented. It seemed as if he could not keep still. He was continually running around on the podium. At the end of the different groups of songs, Mr. Romberg would literally run off the stage and immediately reappear to take his bows. About the middle of the second half of the program, Mr. Romberg began to "crack" jokes.

Treason . . .

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in this season of Lent.

FIFTH PHILOSOPHER'S SONG

A million million spermatozoa,

All of them alive:

Out of their cataclysm but one

poor Noah

Dare hope to survive.

And among that billion minus one

Might have chanced to be

Shakespeare, another Newton, a

new Donne—

But the One was Me.

Shame to have ousted your betters

thus,

Taking ark while the others re-

mained outside!

Better for all of us, forward

Homunculus,

If you'd quietly died!

A. Huxley

And in closing, I would like to say a delayed but heartfelt compliment to the administration for providing the student body with the most amusing speaker of the year—the honorable lady from the Hearts Society.

"Words of cool detachment, witty words and words of charm carry weight though their volume be small."

Chinese proverb

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zone are possessed with an overwhelming desire to be repatriated.

When the Russians still refused to budge after the final deadline, the blockade went into effect and the restrictions continued to be imposed until the Russians left, despite violent protests from the Russian high command.

There you are, Joe. We Americans can be awfully stubborn when we want to be. And remember, Joe, the airlift is still going great guns. I might add, Joe, that we just flew around the world non-stop, and we can now drop an A-bomb right in the middle of Red Square from a plane based in Fort Worth, Texas. You may have invented the telephone, Joe, and the airplane, and the electric light, but you can't say you have invented the atom bomb . . . yet.

We're an easy-going people, Joe, and maybe we do let people push us around a little too much, but we can be rough when we want to. The only war we ever lost, Joe, was the Civil War, and if you don't believe that, Joe, ask England, and Spain, and Germany, (ask Germany twice, Joe), and ask Japan.

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CAMPUS CHARACTERS

Jim Davis

Be it hereby known that this column is being written this week with not the slightest intentions of dating in the future the subject of the interview. In some small way this will constitute a precedent for this section.

George Austin Chauncey was born in Memphis, a roaring, cotton town, situated on the Chickasaw Bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, in the western section of Tennessee. He is at present an Honor Roll senior at Southwestern, and a major in the Department of Philosophy.

Austin spent some twenty months with the United States Army, both as a student in the ASTP unit of Yale University, and as an interpreter in Japan following the shooting phase of the conflict.

After his discharge, George entered Wake Forest College in North Carolina before transferring to Southwestern. He came to the Mississippi Valley stronghold of Lynx Cat fame in the summer of 1947. It just so happens that that is the same time I came to this institution. Compare our two records. George has made the Dean's List once and is now on the Honor Roll. The only thing that kept him from a second Dean's List honor was the fact that he was only taking fourteen hours and thereby ineligible.

Now, since I have been here I have made the Dean's List once and have since been unable to get off of it. There is apparently some difference in the two lists, for I am led to believe that George's listing has some honor of a scholastic nature attached. I am not saying which list I am at the head of.

Following his graduation here, George plans to enter the Divinity School at Yale University, where he will prepare for a teaching position in Philosophy or Bible.

In addition to being an avid collector of classical records, he indulges in a bit of amateur photography. George also modestly admitted to being the best-looking boy on the campus after quite some effort on the writer's part to force this confession.

One final question resulted in a somewhat hazy and not quite too clear answer. Background: we were sitting in the dining hall during the interview, following a rather luxurious meal of scalloped lizard skins. I asked George what he thought of Southwestern women. He leaped from his seat, bounded over three tables, tripped Professor Wassermann, tossed three overloaded trays of empty dishes toward the rafters, and then slithered up the aisle on his stomach in a serpentine manner. I took this as a more or less naive way of showing his approval of the Southwestern coed.

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TOWARD MORNING: Anybody who paints and who has some choice canvasses to show may soon have a chance to show them. We are not dull enough to believe that an exhibit here will attain to the prestige of the Louvre, but it will be a beginning. And beginnings we must have. The acorn makes the oak, and an humble beginning made Southwestern. It may well be that something larger than we can at present see will grow from our efforts. To say the very least, students will get an idea of what has been going on at the Academy, and in the private lives of some of our busy students who do not attend the Academy. Not only students, but townspeople as well will be able to get a new slant on an old establishment.

This is still hypothetical and contingent. But it isn't a dead-before-conceived plan. It is contingent on the interest the students show in the project. Several have already made inquiries, enough to make the project look hopeful. For anyone who is interested, the parties to see are Mrs. Jack Mussett and Jane Marsh. The investigation is now underway to find a suitable place to show the paintings. By the next column, more information will be ready for those who are interested in showing at the exhibit.

AND MUSIC, TOO: Something many students have wanted is going to be done in the music department soon. Student works are to be performed in a recital. This is something we have looked forward to for a long time. I have not yet interviewed Professor Edwall, but I have it on reliable authority that a number of works will be performed. This brings on another suggestion which the music department might take under consideration. Why can't the College of Music stage a music festival in the spring? We have, it seems, plenty of talent on hand in all branches of music, and nothing arouses interest in music, both in performers and partakers, so much as such an event. It would be one more, not too difficult, step toward putting us on the map as a leader in the liberal arts we represent.

WITH SOME REGRETS: We feel that Stylus was not exactly a howling success. What comment has come in on it has been of two kinds: (1) that it was difficult to understand; (2) that it was obscure. Granting that there was some element of both, there were also several poems and stories that could hardly be classified

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in such a category. We have heard little or no comment on these. We like criticism, but we like it to be studied and on both kinds of material. Without attempting an apology for the magazine, I would like to point out one or two things that ought to be considered in criticizing any piece of creative writing.

First, what was the author trying to do? This is the key to all subsequent criticism. Unless one at least attempts to answer it, he should, as some have already done, say, "I don't understand it," and let the matter go at that.

The next question is: how has he gone about it? What was his approach, and does he stick to this approach? Third, has he done what he set out to do? Quite often he doesn't quite reach the mark, but neither have most of the world's greats at one time or another. Finally, after you have accomplished the other three questions, was it worth all the effort? Naturally, the ideal situation from the writer's viewpoint is to have all four questions answered in the affirmative; and the least desired criticism is to have them all answered in the negative. But whichever way the criticism comes out, he would like to have the questions considered and the critique to be an honest and sincere one.

Not all writing is pretty. Neither is all of life. But both sides are wrong when the issue is raised over so-called realism. Life is and is not that way. Unfortunately, it is almost always necessary to write from one point of view. When the writer is trying to say, for instance, that here is a sad event about a boy from the lower East Side of New York, a boy who never had a chance . . . it may be necessary to use rather crude language sometimes. One doesn't expect such a boy to say "o pshaw" when something goes wrong with his already twisted life. This kind of writing can be,

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and often is, run into the ground. It is sociological for the most part and usually doesn't attempt to offer any solution for the problem it raises. However, it sometimes serves a very good purpose in calling attention to very obvious things which we too easily overlook. The method has been followed by a number of renowned and esteemed writers with varying degrees of success. The criteria for such writing is two fold. First, is the event in consideration of sufficient import to warrant treatment in literary form? Second, is the artistry of the author sufficient to warrant his handling of it? In this particular instance, both questions should be answered in the affirmative before the piece can be fully acceptable.

AND TOMORROW: They say it never comes, and if you want to be philosophical, perhaps it doesn't. I am not sure that I advocate looking forward to it too much when we could use the time today. But I do want to point out that there will be a tomorrow—a tomorrow in which our student composers will have had their works performed, in which we will have had our own painters exhibit for us, in which other magazines will have come out. What will we do about that tomorrow, you and I?

We can wait and criticize . . . we can, within our powers, mold it into what we want. We are making the choice now and always, while we criticize and while we paint and compose and write, for this is today, the eternal prelude to all tomorrows.

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