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## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

### ATO's To Give Gala Christmas Ball Saturday

Annual Dance Will Be At University Club At Eight P.M.

Alpha Tau chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity will entertain with their annual Christmas dance Saturday from eight until twelve at the University Club. Decorations will center around a huge, brightly ornamented Christmas tree at the end of the ball room. From a lighted ATO crest at the other end will be silver, red, and green streamers to different points of the room. laced at intervals will be large, twinkling stars to complete the Christmas motif.

Bill Holman and his orchestra will play, and there will be three no-breaks, two specials, and an Alpha Tau Omega leadout. Chaperons will be Dr. and Mrs. J. Henry Davis, Professor C. P. Lee, and Dean and Mrs. A. Theodore Johnson.

Officers of the fraternity and their guests will be:

Bland Cannon, worthy master, with Ruth Mitchell; H. C. Robertson, worthy chaplain, with Mary Ware; Henry Lynch, worthy scribe, with Margaret Polk; Charles Reed, worthy exchequer, with Virginia Mangum; W. J. Hearn, worthy usher, with Louise Estes of Uniontown, Alabama; Ned Hermann, worthy sentinel, with Elizabeth Yawn.

Other members, pledges, and their guests will be:

Jimmy Daugherty with Mary Ann Simonton, Harold Falls with Cary Eckert, V.A. Furr with Agnes Ann Ming, Erskine Falls with Louise Howry, Eldridge Armistead with Ethel Wetherbee, Vance Gilmer with Naomi Rayford of Mobile, Alabama, Curtis Hurley with Frances Manire, Charles Long with Betty Jane Wilkinson, William Moorhead with Marilyn Goodbar of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Beryl Waller with Barbara Dean, Bill Barrett with Dorothy Hanna, Walker Sandlin with Dorothy Munroe, Lee Vaught with Ann Godbold, George Case with Isabel Hale, Bobby

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### The Student Says

#### QUESTION

What do you want Santa Claus to bring you for Christmas?

#### ANSWERS

Icky Orenstein, junior: I don't want him to bring me anything, but I would really have a merry Christmas if he'd arrange to have a certain girl waiting for me when I get off the train in Atlanta.

Tony Canzoneri, junior: A degree from Southwestern, and a new pair of elbows for football.

Beverly McFall, freshman: I have nothing to say. I am a woman shrouded in mystery.

Billy Donelson, senior: I would like nothing better than an expose of the life and loves of Beverly McFall.

Bill Morgan, junior: I want a real motorcycle with a side car. I have always felt inferior in the presence of the police who owned them. Now I can have one, with a great deal of chromium and several horns and sirens. I want the side car for my stooge.

Frank England, junior: I want a woman—just any woman.

Charles Reed, sophomore: Shhh. I have formulated an astounding theory. I am certain of its authenticity. There is no Santa Claus.

Bobby Elder, senior: I want Santa Claus to bring me Joye for Christmas.

Katharine Miller, freshman: I want a doll that can say mama and I want a baby carriage to take her around in. Oh, it will be such fun.

### Original Painting By David Ruffin Causes Comment

Robb Hall, Room 102, has become the mecca for a number of Southwestern's lovers of art. But it is not so much to see the Petty drawings that "adorn" the wall, as to see the original painting done by David Ruffin, freshman from Covington, Tenn., and a pledge to Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

The canvas, measuring 32x52 inches and outstanding for richness of color, depicts the entombment of Jesus and is a copy of Botticelli's "Pietà" embellished with considerable originality on the part of the artist. The original was painted after 1500 and hangs in the Munich Conservatory of Art. The picture is done in smooth pre-Renaissance style with the gilt haloes and brilliant blues and vermilions characteristic of the so-called "primitives." A general tone of burnt umber predominates the setting.

Professors Cooper, Monk, Lee, Liston, and Davis have examined the painting, and all expressed their approval. A Texas oil man, on seeing the canvas, was so impressed that he asked to be allowed to pay Dave's expenses through college, and later through the Maryland Art Institute in Baltimore where he will study portraiture and sculpture. After completing these, Dave plans to study in France.

So when you become important enough to have your portrait painted, we wouldn't be at all surprised if, when you were trying to find the best artist to do the job, you should discover that it is Dave Ruffin, Class of '43.

### Congress Exempts Frats From Taxes

Also Exempts Certain Services From Social Security Jurisdiction

NEW YORK CITY—(ACP)—Definite word that the Social Security Act passages which forced college fraternal organization to pay the special employment taxes had been cancelled by a special act of congress has been reported to the executive committee of the National Interfraternity Conference.

The new amendment goes into effect on January 1, 1940, and provides that "domestic service in a private home, local college club, or local chapter of a college fraternity or sorority" be exempted after that date.

The measure also exempts from the jurisdiction of the Social Security Act any service that does not provide a remuneration that exceeds \$45 and service that is "performed by a student who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes at a school, college or university."

To clear up some points that are not specifically covered by the amending act, the law committee of the National Interfraternity Conference has submitted an application to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue "requesting regulations concerning the interpretation of these amendments."

Specifically, advice is requested as to the status of "(1) a chapter treasurer who keeps books of a local chapter; (2) a student, either a member of the chapter or a non-member, who serves as a waiter in a fraternity house; (3) a student, either a member of the fraternity or a non-member, who performs janitorial services; (4) a non-student who waits on tables and/or performs janitorial services in a fraternity house; (5) a housemother who is not a student; (6) a chapter president who performs administrative services for the chapter; and (7) a scholarship adviser who supervises the study hall of a chapter house."

The Treasury Department has promised to issue regulations before the new amendment goes into effect.

### Christmas Tree Party To Take Place Tuesday

Children Will Be Guests Of Christian Union Cabinet at 3:30

A merrier Christmas will be made possible for fifteen underprivileged children of Memphis, when they attend the annual Christmas Tree Party, Tuesday afternoon, as guests of the Southwestern student body. Plans for the party, which is sponsored by the Christian Union Cabinet, were made at a meeting of the Cabinet last Monday night in the Bell Room.

The party is to be given in the cloister of Palmer Hall, at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon. The cloister will be decorated with a Christmas tree. Gifts for the children will be distributed from around the tree by Santa Claus himself, in the person of Bernard Lockridge. The gifts will consist of a complete outfit of clothing and some toys for each child. Candy and fruit will also be given to them. Following the party itself, the children will be given a turkey supper in Neely Hall.

The Christmas Tree Party is made possible financially by contributions from several fraternities and sororities on the campus, the Y. W. C. A., and from the proceeds of the Christian Union Cabinet apple sale. At the cabinet meeting Monday, Walter Hall, president of the cabinet, expressed his appreciation to the student body for its cooperation in the apple sale and to those campus organizations which contributed to the fund. He also appointed three committees to visit the children at their homes in order to find out their needs. Heading the committees were: Marion Dickson, Robert Cogswell, and Walter Hall. The committees paid visits to the children's homes this week, consulting the parents as to their clothing needs, and the children as to "what they wanted Santa Claus to bring them."

A committee to purchase the gifts was also appointed by the cabinet president. It consists of: Marion Dickson, Mary Louise Hughes, Mrs. Charles E. Diehl, and John Young. The committee will divide the fund for the children's gifts as equally as possible in order that these underprivileged children may have a happy Christmas in spite of their unfortunate circumstances.

### Varied Holiday Sprees Planned By Lynx Students

If you're wondering how some of Southwestern's favorite sons and daughters are planning to spend those fourteen precious days of Christmas holiday, just follow along and get the scoops of the year.

The biggest news is undoubtedly Professor Lee's peregrination to Boston and New York, for during his stay Macmillan Publishers are going to throw a party in his honor. For did you know—his novel, "The Unwilling Journey," has just been published. And for your further information, it's about Arkansas but, as he says, "there's not a hoopskirt or sharecropper in it."

Most of our fellow students are going out of town, a lot say they're going to study, but all agree that they intend to have the time of their young lives.

Anne Potts is going to read Professor Shields McIlwaine's book on southern po' whites and is going to entertain a visitor. Caroline Carroll is going to Jackson, Tennessee, will work on a term paper, and will entertain a visitor, Miss Elsie Ray (who—busy girl). Frances Akers is going to New Orleans with the family and then will take another trip, this time to Helena for her "usual marvelous time."

Henry Peek is staying for one of the debutante balls, when he will escort

### Annual Football Banquet To Be Held Monday

Letters Will Be Given, New Captain Elected; Open To Student Body

Southwestern's annual football banquet will be held Monday night, December 18, at Neely Dining Hall on the Southwestern campus. At that time awards will be made to the twenty-six varsity players and to the twenty-one freshman players who earned their letters in football this past season. Election of a captain and an alternate captain will also be held at this time.

Kirby Walker of Jackson, Mississippi will serve as banquet toastmaster. Mr. Walker, a noted speaker and alumnus of Southwestern, is superintendent of the Jackson public school. Principal speaker will be T. Walker Lewis of Memphis. Mr. Lewis is well known in Memphis and the surrounding territory. He was last year elected to honorary membership in O.D.K. by Phi Circle here at Southwestern. Coach Kubale, President Diehl, and a member of the Thousand Club will also speak.

The banquet is open to all students of Southwestern and to all those interested in the Lynx football team. Dormitory students will be admitted for thirty-five cents. All outsiders and town students will be admitted for seventy-five cents. Contrary to the usual custom a dance will not be held after the banquet.

Those receiving varsity awards are as follows: Andrew, Bailey, Baker, Canzoneri, Cast, Cavender, Conn, Dawson, Drees, Fuller, Foley, Goodrich, Heaton, Little, Lockridge, Capt. Morris, Orenstein, Palmer, Peek, Partin, Pouncey, Ross, Underwood, Waller, Alt. Capt. Winfrey, Williams, and Wood, manager. First year men will receive the regulation leather jacket with a red "S" on the left hand side. Second and third year men will receive gold footballs.

Freshmen receiving sweaters with class numerals are: Andrews, Bearden, Beasley, Bowen, Cocke, Dobbins, Dye-house, Edwards, Hemmen, Kelly, Malone, Wills Pearce, Pope, Price, Rucker, Savage, Scott, Sparks, Sultis, Willford, and Stovall, manager.

### Junior Class Will Sponsor Christmas Vespers Sunday

#### LIBRARY HOURS FOR HOLIDAYS

During the holidays the Library will be open from 9:00 to 1:00 and from 2:00 to 5:00 every day except December 23 through December 26, and December 30 through January 1.

Books issued on the 19th, the day college closes, will be due back on January 3, the day college opens. Reserve books will be issued for overnight only as usual. If a student wishes to take out a reserve book for a longer period he will have to get the professor who has reserved the book to take it off reserve.

It would be well at this time for those students who have fines due, lost books charged against them, and books long overdue, to clear up their records.

### Hon's Economics 21 Class Visits Bank

Trip Made Last Friday To First National Is Enjoyed By Twenty-Four

Last Friday, December 8, Professor R. C. Hon's Economics 21 class spent the day at the First National Bank. The trip was arranged through Mr. S. W. Wardlaw, vice-president in charge of relations with correspondent banks throughout the vicinity.

The class, which numbers twenty-four, arrived at the bank at eight in the morning, and spent the day examining the various phases of the bank's activities. They were divided into groups of six and went through the bank under the direction of the various officers.

The class had opportunity to observe at first hand the trust, bond, cotton, and collateral departments, the safety deposit vaults, and the clearing house. At noon they were treated to a dinner at the Peabody Hotel by the bank officers. Officers in charge of the visit and who gave talks to the group were Mr. S. E. Ragland, president; Mr. Norfleet Turner, executive vice-president; Mr. W. A. Wooten, manager of the cotton department; Mr. J. E. Denham, of the bond department; and Mr. Ira C. Denton, assistant in the trust office.

Members of the class state that the best thing about the trip was the chance to hold a \$100,000 government bond and a package of \$1000 bills. Professor Hon reports that so far nothing has been reported missing.

### Ministerial Club To Donate Xmas Basket

James Cogswell Will Conduct Service In West Memphis Sunday

The Ministerial Club, of which Walter Bader is president, has decided to give a basket of food to a poor family for Christmas. Besides the basket they also plan to give them either a Bible or some other religious literature. The Ministerial Club will continue to take care of this poor family which they have selected throughout this year, concerning their spiritual life, and anything else they are able to do for them.

The club will hold a service at First Presbyterian Church in West Memphis, Arkansas, Sunday, December 17, at 11 A.M. James Cogswell, vice-president, will conduct the service. Ministerial Club officers are: Walter Bader, president; James Cogswell, vice-president; and David Osborne, secretary.

### Program Will Be Composed Of Christmas Music

No Speaker At Year's Second Program In Hardie Auditorium

The Christmas Vesper Service, sponsored by the Junior Class, will be held this Sunday, December 17, at five o'clock, in Hardie Auditorium. This is the second of the quarter-yearly vesper programs, the first having been conducted by the Senior Class on October 1. The services are under the auspices of the Southwestern Christian Union.

Dr. Charles E. Diehl, president of Southwestern, will preside at the service. John Young, junior class president, will represent the sponsoring class.

Contrary to the usual procedure, there will be no principal speaker for the service; rather the vesper program will be composed chiefly of Christmas music. The Southwestern Singers, under the direction of Prof. Burnet C. Tuthill, will render several Christmas carols and anthems. Its soloists will be Nena Williams, Kurt Elias, Jack Booth, John Woolsey, Maxine Allen, and James Cogswell. Among the musical selections on the program will be the Pastoral Symphony from "The Messiah," to be performed by Miss Hope Brewster (of the class of '36), Miss Elizabeth Jetter, Mrs. Peggy Mitchell Rhodes, Mrs. Wood Tuthill, Prof. R. P. Strickler, and Mr. Will Tipton.

Ushers at the service will include Robert Siedentopf, Sam B. Anderson, Allen Craft, Bernard Lockridge, Hays Brantley, and Robert Quindley. Members of the committee in charge of decorations for the auditorium are Ann Tuthill, Louise Jennings, Doris Cullings, Gorton Berry, and William Murrah.

The entire program for the Christmas Vesper Service is as follows:

Prelude—Angelic Choir.  
Processional Hymn No. 120—Adeste Fideles (sung in Latin)—Traditional.  
Scripture Reading—Luke 11:1-8.  
Carol—"While By Our Sleeping Flock We Lay"—17th Century German Melody.—The Southwestern Singers.  
Scripture Reading—Luke 11:9-14.  
Anthem—"Hodie Christus Natus Est"—Jan Pieterzoon Sweelinck. 1619—The Southwestern Singers.  
Scripture Reading—Luke 11:15-19.  
Lullaby—"Mariae Wiegenlied"—Georg Schumann (1866)—Soprano Solo—Miss Nena Williams, '42.  
Scripture Reading—Luke 11:20.  
Hymn No. 104—"Joy to the World"  
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### Debating Club Has Discussion Meeting

Plans In Progress For Tour To Other Colleges; Meet Emory February 22

Preliminary plans for formal debates with other groups were discussed at a meeting of the Debaters' Club, last Wednesday at 1:30 o'clock in room 108 in Palmer Hall. The club will begin its debates in February. The first scheduled debate will be held in Memphis on February 22, when they will meet the team from Emory University of Atlanta.

Plans are in progress for a tour of the club, which will take them to other colleges to debate. Professor C. P. Lee is faculty adviser.

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Comment by the Editor

Anyone who is faced with the problem of trying to say something which everyone else says is faced with the necessity of being trite, and very often the triteness of the words destroys a very real feeling behind them. We are mentioning this because what we are going to say is the epitome of triteness at this time of the year, and we just want you to be sure to understand that we are really sincere when we say to every member of the student body, faculty, and staff—A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Attend the Football Banquet

The football squad is departing from custom and tradition this year in that instead of the regular stag banquet, they are inviting members of the student body to be in attendance. The boys themselves got together, and in appreciation of the support which they received this year, decided to open the banquet to all. This seems to us a good idea, and indicates an attitude on the part of the boys which we think should be reciprocated. Most of the dormitory group will probably be at the banquet anyway, and therefore this is for the primary purpose of urging a large number of the town group to attend. The banquet will unquestionably be worth the money spent, and will afford an opportunity for town and dormitory students to eat a meal and enjoy a pleasant social hour together.

A Real Christmas Vespers

We are looking forward with a great deal of interest to the forthcoming Christmas Vesper Service sponsored by the Junior Class because according to information available, there will be a departure from the regular formula of a speaker, hymns, and so forth. We understand that a genuine effort will be made to produce a service which will be a true Christmas program, and not one which is called a Christmas Vespers because of the time of the year. There will be an all-musical program on which we understand Professor Tutthill has been working for some time, and his daughter Anne has been plaguing our curiosity for weeks with veiled remarks about what's going to happen. At any rate, we'll be there to enjoy what we know will be a worthwhile program, and we suggest that you do the same.

Mail Box Reveals Journalistic Gems

You'd probably be surprised at some of the literature that a college editor gets through the mail from sources infinite and varied. Each week brings something new, and we have gotten to the point where going to school in the morning becomes a pleasant duty because of the lure of our mail box in the office.

For example, one week early in the school year, we received a most diverting document from some engaging crackpot who was earnestly advocating "The United States of the World," to be under the reign of King David and his American queen. The movement was sponsored by the Friends of the Duke of Windsor in America, and enclosed an eye-smiting ballot upon which was smeared: YOU CAN KEEP AMERICA OUT OF WAR. MAIL THIS TO THE PRESIDENT TODAY! The author of the idea enclosed a bio-

graphical study of himself which exceeded for modesty anything we have ever seen. Proclaiming himself the originator of practically every twentieth century improvement and innovation, he declared that not only did he have an Indian title, but that he was "author of more books on more subjects than most men." The communication was diverting in itself, and illustrated to perfection the fact that it does take all kinds of people to make a world.

Just To Fill Up Space

We were thrown off our stride quite roughly the other day when Dr. Samuel Monk approached and said to us, "I was quite amused at your efforts to keep from being scooped by Mr. Slusser." We inquired, and found that in a recent issue of the Sou'wester we had carried a story, written in the past tense, of a speech by Dr. Arno Schirokauer. Under ordinary circumstances this would have been acceptable, but it so happened that the speech does not take place until late December or January, or some other foolish time. Continuing, Dr. Monk said he supposed we figured that time was one continuous stream, and that past is present and present is past. The only thing was to carry it off as nonchalantly and gracefully as possible, which we did by saying that we were glad the Sou'wester created comment one way or another. The little episode cut us to the quick, but got us to thinking how to be prepared for similar occurrences in the future. From now on, when sneered at for mistakes, we are going to smile blandly and reply, "Anything for a laugh, you know, anything for a laugh."

Missing Lynx From the Campus Chain

There was a time when reflexes were to be trusted, but those days are vanished forever. Now reflexes are dangerous and treacherous things, and small children should be taught to lisp this new canon of self-preservation, "Beware the reflex." Take, for instance, that robin business. The robin is the harbinger of spring, the poets tell us. Going entirely on their word, we have built up such an automatic response that the very sight of one on the lawns sends us cavorting barefooted over hill and dale, chanting hymns to Venus.

This very reflex nearly did us to death when a little red-breasted fiend, in contradiction to all poets living and dead, came sidling up to us one day last January. Before we knew it, our efferent and afferent nerves had lurched into action and the St. Bernards dug us out of the snowdrift frozen to death. (But that is another story.)

Also take the "Jingle, Bells!" reflex. As any one knows, "Jingle, Bells!" and Christmas go hand in glove. Yet for four years now, this reflex has played us false. Invariably in early November come frantic sounds of "Jingle, Bells!" being executed on the Robb Hall piano, vivace, allegro, con spirito, etc., etc. Dr. Cooper, the professor at the ivories, declares it is to keep his dormitory boys in good spirits. Be that as it may, we always find ourselves in a downtown bargain basement shopping for neckties and demanding special holiday rates. At least, we are never caught in the Christmas rush.

Some time ago, the British Ministry of Information announced, rather apologetically, that Neville Chamberlain has the gout. While we were in the very act of working this tidbit into something, a clever columnist colleague did it for us. "Now what is the Prime Minister doing with the gout?" he wanted to know and went on to remark that George Eliot says in "Silas Marner" (page 33) that, "The rich ate and drank freely, and accepted gout and apoplexy as things that ran mysteriously in respectable families," but now we are enlightened. Now we know that gout is caused by eating and drinking freely. No medieval speculation these days. If Chamberlain has the gout, he's been gorging himself. Too much Yorkshire pudding probably, or an overdose of Vat 69. This makes the English food rationing system look pretty inadequate. What sort of rationing system is it that allows people to glut themselves until they get the gout? Evidently someone is not thinking things through. Where, in this pitiable state of affairs, are we to find the time-honored British efficiency that defeated Napoleon, where the spirit of Trafalgar?

This issue, being the last in the old year, we have declared Clean-up-and-clear-up Week. Only one point, as far as we can figure, has to be dealt with thus—the Plug of the Week on Miss Diana Wallace. Those f's put in place of the s's were not typographical errors, or an attempt at trickery of any sort. They were meant to suggest the by-gone days when printing presses were embryonic, shaping the two letters similarly, and ladies were named Campaspe.

Lynx Chat

Your little lynx pussy awoke this morning just humming and whistling. Needless to say, our present favorite is "Does Your Heart Beat for Me?" Quite appropriate for this column, dontcha think? Even the arrival of Pandemonium at that moment with the news that we had nineteen chapel cuts could do little to dampen our happiness. Do you realize that after writing this drat column for fifteen weeks we are now going to have a three weeks vacation? O Happy Day!

Saturday night found most of us at the Peabody as guests of the Kappa Sigmas. . . . Needless to say, some of us were a wee bit embarrassed when we arrived in our nice suits only to find most every one else in tuxedos. . . . And we are yet wondering about Jimmy Andrew and Ruth Logsdon who arrived at the dance at twelve and said, "Oh, is it over?" . . . Anne Potts attired in her ear-rings. . . . We certainly did miss seeing Henry Mosley, but Clark McDonald, former prexy of the student body, was there. . . . The Tap Room proved popular at intermission, particularly with Bland and Ki. . . . Johnny Rhem's date, Miss Eckert, proved unusually interesting to Bob Black. And we hear that Cary is quite concerned about what Bob did after the dance; something he says he's pledged not to reveal.

We hear that Bob Meacham has been talking about Martha Virginia Prater, but from all reports he has a "new" girl friend, if you get what we mean. . . . The notes that Chuck Guthrie and Catherine Ramsey write back and forth in Biology class would make you think he had forgotten completely about Nell Wright, but Sam Fisher informs us that such isn't the case, since Sam is serving as Chuck's spy and keeping a lookout for any encroachment on his property by a certain Barney Gallagher. . . . And if you don't think Mr. Fisher is a good spy, you should see him flitting about Robb Hall at late hours of the night. . . . We can't see why some gal on the campus hasn't snared Sam B. Anderson yet. He sho is faithful to that t'other one that don't go to school. . . . And you might compliment us for not having said anything about the Asquith-Wooten "episode" for a month.

Margaret Pola seems to have found some one to her liking in Henry Lynch. . . . What happened to Bill Baird, Margaret? . . . Some couples we have grown to depend on such as Hays Brantley and Nancy Wiselogle. . . . People we like . . . Dan Carruthers and Bob Beasley. . . . In German class the other day, Dr. Paulsen looked at Elise and said, "Miss Smithwick, please quit looking at Mr. McBurney like that." . . . We wonder if Kurt Elias has recovered from his infatuation of Doris Cullings? . . . From all reports Feb. 2-3 should be big dates around here. While the orchestra hasn't been definitely signed yet, the Pan Council has been working hard for a good one. At last reports, Francis Craig had the inside track. This would be quite something if we do get him, and the Council deserves a lot of credit for all they have done. . . . Please start getting your dates for the two night dances and the tea dance; and may we remind you that the first dance is the night that exams are over. You may now repeat the last

sentence of our first paragraph.

The backwards dance not only got some funny combinations in dates, but we were quite amused at some of the people doubling together. We just laughed and laughed at the thought of Deola White with Bill Baird, Celeste Taylor with Bob Goostree, and Mary Hunter with Rowlett Sneed; but we got even more amused when we heard that Icky Orenstein and Jac Ruffin were doubling, as were Cannon and McBurney. . . . The dinner afterwards at Steuwer's quite the expected brawl, with the Greek her usual charming self. (Paid for advertisement) . . . Don Manning seemed to be particularly taken with Hazel Dunavant. . . . Tom Simpson and John Woolsey got sick suddenly at the last moment and couldn't go. At least that is what they told their dates.

The Chi Omega open house was Thursday and we all went, but since this column was written Wednesday, we can't tell you officially what a lovely time was had by all. And so it is with a sad feeling that we depart this Sou'wester office until next year, when perhaps people will do something worth writing about. Until then, S'Long.

Junior Class Will Sponsor Christmas Vespers

(Continued from Page One) —George Frederick Handel (1685-1759) Scripture Reading—Matthew 11:1-12. Carol—"We Three Kings of Orient Are"—J. H. Hopkins. Solo Voices—Mr. Kurt Elias, '41; Mr. John W. Booth, '43; Mr. John L. Woolsey, '40. Hymn No. 105—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"—Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847). Prayer—President Charles E. Diehl. Pastoral Symphony from "The Messiah"—Handel.—Miss Hope Brewster, '36; Miss Elizabeth Jetter, '43; Mrs. Peggy Mitchell Rhodes, Mrs. Ruth Wood Tutthill, Professor R. P. Strickler, Mr. Will Tipton. Legendary Carols—"The Holly and the Ivy" (English)—Traditional; "Coventry Carol" (English)—Traditional; "Carol of the Bells" (Ukrainian)—Leonovich; "Good King Wenceslas"—Traditional. Solo Voices—Miss Maxine Allen, '41; Mr. James Cogswell, '42. Carol—Hymn No. 114—"The First Noel"—Traditional. Recessional Hymn No. 100—"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"—Plain Song. Benediction. Carol—"Silent Night, Holy Night"—Gruber. (Sung by the Southwestern Singers from the Cloister.)

Echoes From The Morgue

Three Years Ago This Week—Henry Hammond, Lynx end, was chosen for a first string position on the Associated Press Little All-America team for 1936. He is the first Southwestern player ever to be so honored.

The Supreme Council of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity met in Memphis Saturday, December 19. Dr. John H. Davis, secretary of the State Committee on Rhodes Scholarships, went with Jim Merrin, John Farley, David Gibson, and James Henderson to the state eliminations in Nashville.

Two Years Ago This Week—"Right You Are If You Think You Are" was presented by the Southwestern Players.

The annual Christmas Vesper Services sponsored by the junior class was held in Hardie Auditorium Sunday. Reverend Kirkwood of Princeton made the address.

H. R. Holcomb was elected president of the Stylus Club.

Clois Neal was elected captain of the basketball team.

One Year Ago This Week—

Gaylon Smith, Southwestern's great halfback, was placed on the Associated Press Little All-America team and was designated the outstanding player on the team.

The annual football banquet was held in Neely Hall. Harry Morris was elected captain for 1939.

The student body petitioned the dean for extra holidays after an intensive campaign of posters and agitation.

The Lynx opened their basketball season with a 52-44 win over Arkansas.

The Bible tells us to love our neighbors, and also to love our enemies; probably because they are generally the same people.—G. K. Chesterton.

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By DOROTHY STEUWER

### CHI OMEGA

Christmas decorations were featured at the Chi Omega open house Thursday afternoon for students and faculty members.

Fruit punch was served from a large silver bowl on a lace draped table and tall red tapers glowed in silver holders on either side.

After the open house, members and pledges remained for the supper, at which each girl presented a gift, accompanied by a comic verse, to the member whose name she drew at sorority meeting Monday. There was also singing and skits by the pledges.

### KAPPA DELTA

Little ginger bread men dressed in white icing coats with green cherry buttons down the front carried out the sorority colors when Alpha Delta chapter of Kappa Delta sorority entertained yesterday afternoon in the lodge from 3:30 to 5 o'clock in honor of little sisters, brothers, sons and daughters of Kappa Deltas.

The party was an annual occasion, as the sorority each year entertains for groups of different ages. The children yesterday were from 3 to 10 years old, inclusive.

Decorations featured the Christmas theme. In one corner of the room was a large tree decked in tinsel icicles, various colored ornaments, and with sticks of peppermint candy hanging from the branches. Under the Christmas tree were presents for the children.

The group gathered around the fireplace in which large logs burned, and Mrs. Grey Williams, an alumna, told them stories. They played "Pin the Tail on the Donkey," "Blind Man's Bluff," "Farmer in the Dell," and "Musical Chair."

An alumnae committee which assisted the active chapter was composed of Mrs. W. R. Moyers, president of the alumnae chapter; Miss Margaret McNichol, alumnae adviser; Miss Olive Black, Miss Bess Brazell, and Miss Margaret Tisdale.

The children who were at the party were Frank Ahlgren, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Ahlgren; Janet Carter, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Carter; Beth Etter, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Barton Etter; Eleanor Ezell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Ezell; Dale and Donna Hurt, children of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hurt; Mike Moyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moyers; Martha Louise and Frank Maxwell, children of Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell; Charles and William Sullivan, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sullivan; Catherine and Howard Pritchard, Jr., children of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pritchard; Frances and Henry Holloman, children of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holloman, and Martha Tuggle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Tuggle.

### ZETA TAU ALPHA

Beta Sigma chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha entertained with its annual Christmas party today at the lodge from five until eight o'clock. The decoration featured an ornamental Christmas tree under which were placed gifts for the house. At the end of the party, the presents were opened by Dorothy Steuwer, president of the active chapter. Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and tea were served. Alumnae, patronesses and the mothers and fathers of the group were honored guests.

Dorothy Steuwer, president of the chapter received the guests.

Other members assisting were: Iris Pearce, vice president; Bennie Joyner, secretary; Kate Parker, treasurer; Marie Palmer, historian; Jane Chilton Adams, pledge president; Jean McKenny, vice president; Nena Williams, secretary-treasurer; Sara Sparacino, Dorothy Hanna, Barbara Jane Robinson, Mary Vance Rhodes, Virginia Hennington, Elizabeth Hicks, Mary Virginia Smith, Georgeanne Little, Annette Cato.

### DELTA DELTA DELTA

The Tri Deltas held their annual Pine Party last Tuesday night in the sorority house. The alumnae took charge of the decorations, using the motif of the pine tree, which is one of the Tri Delta symbols. The center piece of the refreshment table was a Christmas tree, and there were bells, pine cones, and holly over the doorways and mantle.

A short program was given, at which time Mrs. C. M. Mercer told about some of her recent trips made to other Tri Delta chapters. A contest was held to see which of two sides were able to

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## Music News

By ANNE TUTHILL

The Christmas season is here again and as usual, it seems to call for some extra fine musical activities on the campus. Whether you know it or not, the choir has been putting in plenty of time working on a program that is different from that of any other year. At least any that yours truly knows about. This year's Vesper service is to be a musical one from beginning to end. Those students who are on the decorating committee are really making an attempt to transform Hardie Auditorium into a great festive hall. It has always seemed to me that the Christmas service was called that because it happened to be at that time of year, not because the service actually suggested that atmosphere. Other colleges spend weeks and months on their Christmas festivals, which after a time become traditional. Southwestern has no Christmas tradition except the tree in front of Palmer Hall, and it seems to me it's time we established a Christmas tradition about our Vesper Service.

The actual order of the service will follow as closely as it is possible the life of the infant Christ, a reader reading the famous passages in the Bible and the choir illustrating the text with the appropriate music. The last part of the program will cover the famous Christmas carols which everybody knows and sings. But there are several very new and exciting additions to the usual order of things about which I am going to say nothing. And I trust everyone will be surprised and pleased. But we want to hear about it and have plenty of enthusiasm from you.

### BIOLOGICAL BITS

Question: What kind of animal is it that is white on top, brown underneath, and gets very hot in warm weather?

Answer: A wolf in sheep's clothing.

Q: What kind of animal is it that has a long stout tail, a pocket to carry its young in, and travels by hobbling?

A: A lame kangaroo.

Q: What kind of fish is it that does not eat, does not swim, and stays very close to its fellow fishes?

A: A canned sardine.

Q: What kind of fish is it that resembles a large sturgeon, can swim as fast as a large sturgeon, but is only about half as long as a large sturgeon?

A: A small sturgeon.

—Vanderbilt Hustler.

answer the most questions concerning the activities of the sorority. Sandwiches, cookies, and coffee were served. The mothers of the actives and pledges were invited. This year, instead of buying presents for each other, as has been the custom in former years, the girls decided to spend the money on household furnishings.

### SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

Carrying out an annual tradition, members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity will entertain with a Christmas tree party Monday night from five until nine at their lodge.

Red and green streamers will decorate the house, in keeping with the holiday motif, and a large brightly decorated Christmas tree will be placed at one end of the room beside the lighted SAE crest.

One of the members dressed as Santa Claus will present gifts from the tree for each of the members and their guests. Bobby Elder was Santa Claus last year, and this year the identity of St. Nick will be kept secret. As each person receives the present, he or she must unwrap it in the presence of all the others and read the verses accompanying it.

After the presentation of gifts, a buffet supper will be served, to be followed by dancing.

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—The Spotlight.

Bewildered woman looking at a road map: "I wish Emily Post were here with us; I think we took the wrong fork."

### Can It Happen Here????

The drunkard staggered into his room quite noisily in the wee small hours of the morning and awoke his roommate who started looking him over disgustedly.

"What's the matter with you?" asked the roommate. "You've got your shoes on the wrong feet."

"Wrong feet?" he asked, after gazing down at his feet for a full minute. "Whad-dayo mean wrong feet? They're my feet, aren't they?"—The Student Printz.

### Too Particular

"All those who would like to go to Heaven," said the Sunday school teacher, "raise their hands."

All did except one.

"Why, Johnny," exclaimed the teacher, "wouldn't you like to go to Heaven, too?"

"Naw," said Johnny. "Not if that bunch is goin'."

—The Loyolan.

### Dining Hall Short Short Story

"Who ya shovin'?"

"Dunno, what's your name?"

—The Tower.

### Webster Take Note

College—A place where people with lots of crust spend lots of dough and have one long loaf.

Home—A place where the college student for the holidays isn't.

—The Tower.

### Fashion Note:

If one fool wears it, it's bad taste. If two fools wear it, it's the style.

"How did you sell all those shoes you had left over from last season?" asked the manager.

"Oh," modestly replied the salesman, "I just advertised that I had a few pairs of the finest models too small to fit any lady in town."

### A Little Campus Drama

Boy (feeling very romantic): "Hello."

Girl:

Boy: "Oh, well."

### ALPERIN READS TOWNSEND'S PAPER

Ralph Alperin, president of the Nitist Club, read a paper written by Prof. C. L. Townsend, which outlined four different potential policies of the United States in foreign relations, at a meeting of the organization last Thursday night of last week at 7:30 o'clock in Prof. Marion Porter's Room in Calvin Hall.

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## STRAND

## ATO's to Give Gala Dance

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Dewar with Lucy White, and Selby Bobzien with Carlotta Sauer.

Other members of the student body who will attend will be:

Margaret Bass with Bob McCrary, Dale Botto with Tanner Davis, Carolyn Carroll with Pat Davis, Betty Jean Claffey with Henry Peek, Marion Dickson with Bill Maybry, Mary Elizabeth Douglas with Tip Gaither, Elizabeth Fautleroy with Judson McKellar, Jean Flynn with Jac Ruffin, Joye Fourmy with Virgil McCraney, Kathleen Fransioli with Grover Boardwater, Cornelia Garrott with Starling Reid, Jo Gilfillan with Conrad Seabrook.

Virginia Heppel with Rowlett Sneed, Cecelia Hill with Bill Pope, Elizabeth Holder with J. P. Cavender, Catherine Hollinger with Bill Tankersley, Harriette Hollis with George Jackson, Mary Louise Hughes with Billy Kelly, Mary Hunter with Robert Goostree, Louis Jennings with Johnny McGrady, Elizabeth Jones with Jim Breytspraak, Margaret Jones with Bob Foley.

Minna Deen Jones with Lewis Graeber, Stella Jones with Newton Jones, Beverly McFall with Dan Carruthers, Dorothy McGehee with Leon Underwood, Laura McGehee with Doyle Fuller, Milton Matthews with Jimmy Powell, Jo Meux with Charles Perry, Katherine Miller with Cecil New, Catherine Moore with Harry Morris, June Murphy with Richard Maury, Mary New with Bob Meacham, Betty Orgill with Bernard Lockridge, Annabelle Paine with Bunnynose Rhem, Elizabeth Paine with Jim Andrew.

Kate Parker with Jimmy Allman, Anne Potts with Lloyd Parker, Minna Potts with Allen Webb, Virginia Poulton with Clay Alexander, Wini Pritchard with Bob Quindley, Catherine Ramsey with Don Woolsey, Betty Ransom with Billy Dillard, Jeanne Reeves with Frank England, Connie Rosamond with Bobby Elder, Frances Ruffin with Bill Watson, Elise Smithwick with Walter Scott, Dotty South with Jimmy Collier, Dorothy Stacy with

## STYLUS CLUB SELECTS MEMBERS

The Stylus Club met at the home of Mary Elizabeth Harsh last night at 7:30. New members were selected on a basis of literary ability and originality shown in the papers submitted by students chosen by the club. The writings consisted of short stories, essays, poems, and radio scripts. William McBurney, president, announces that the new members will be initiated at the first meeting after Christmas.

Fred Drees, Dorothy Steuwer with Barney Gallagher, Celeste Taylor with Jack Conn, Kitty Bright Tipton with Bailey Campbell, Marye Trezevant with Bill Baird.

Dorothy Turner with Bob Black, Anne Tuthill with Alec Cortner, Norma Bright with Henry Craft, Diana Wallace with Geren Baird, Virginia Waggener with Billy Murphy, Dorothy Waller with Bob Beasley, Kate Weaver with Ed Nesbitt, Roberta Wellford with Sam Anderson, Nancy Wiselogle with Hays Brantley, Arabia Wooten with Strother Asquith, Ann Worten with Buddy McNeese, Nell Wright with Chuck Guthrie, Dorothea Wyatt with Harry Hill.

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### Prep All-Stars To Meet Here

#### Kubale To Coach West-State Seniors

On December 31 at Crump Stadium, a team of West Tennessee prep-school All-Stars, coached by Ed Kubale, Southwestern head coach, will meet a team of Mississippi and Arkansas prep-school stars, coached by Harry Mehre, of Ole Miss. The game will be sponsored by the Memphis Shriners, and the proceeds will be used to further plans for a National Shrine Convention in Memphis in 1940.

Players for the two teams will be selected by the coaches of the various schools eligible, Coach Kubale said. Ballots have already been mailed out. The local coaches themselves will aid in the preparation of the two squads for the tussle.

Reserved seat tickets are on sale, and may be obtained from Charlie McEready at the Ellis Auditorium box office.

### Varied Holiday Sprees

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a spree (with a capital S). George Hale looked happy when he spoke of going to Monteagle to spend four days looking at the mountains in his solitude. Then he's coming back to make merry and study Greek.

Toyland is the destination of Marion Dickson, and the Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans seems to be crooking an inviting finger at Bailey Campbell. Minna Potts is "going to a party because she bought a new dress for Christmas," and Dorothy Stacy is going to Dallas to visit Helen Drees (that's Fred's sister). Louise (Hessie) Howry wants to play because she has been studying so hard, and Elizabeth Day is going to just plain have a good time.

"To relax and sleep" is Kathleen Fransioli's deepest wish, but she also must go shopping because, as she indignantly put it, "I haven't been to town since September!" Bobby Rhodes is just going home to Carruthersville to "piddle around and rest up for a fresh start." Carrol Maxwell is going to Pollock, Louisiana, and intends to stay home and celebrate and have a good big time.

Kate Weaver is going to Mobile, Alabama, to visit a girl friend, and George Jackson will tea-hound (but I'm not responsible for this last). Debutante Ruth Mitchell will be kept busy in a swirl of parties, her own being on Christmas Day.

A few have been just too occupied to make any plans, so we'll let these busy brains alone and just wish you all the merriest and jolliest of rip-roaring holidays.

It's a smart college girl who knows how to give a man her own way.

If you want to make a dangerous man your friend, let him do you a favor.—Lewis E. Lawes, Warden Sing Sing Prison.

### Table Tennis King Plays Feature Match Of Missouri Tourney

Cecil New, Southwestern senior, city table tennis champion and president of the Memphis Table Tennis Club, recently attended the Missouri State Table Tennis Tournament at St. Louis. New made the trip with Cecil Ward, former Southwestern student, who is also one of Memphis' outstanding exponents of the sport.

New was eliminated in the second round of the tournament by Herman Brodsky, fourth seeded player and district finalist of Missouri. The scores of the match were 21-16, 20-22, 17-21, 21-19, 21-18. Brodsky had a total of 100 points while New garnered 98. This is an indication of how closely fought the match was, and the St. Louis newspapers characterized it as the best match of the tournament.

In the men's doubles, New and Ward went to the quarter finals, and in the mixed doubles New teamed with a St. Louis girl to reach the semi-finals.

### THIS COLLEGIATE WORLD

Here's something new in bowl games: University of Dayton students are planning a "pansy bowl." The game'll be between the "Dazzling Day Dogs" and the "Battling Border Rats." Which doesn't sound a bit pansy-like to us.

An Ohio State University sociology class survey shows that the social distance between members of a class is great—but there was a high degree of "interaction" reported between students and their teachers.

Which explains why "An Apple for the Teacher" is a popular theme song!

The reason women live longer than men is because paint is a great preservative.—Ed Wynn.

### Ballet Dance And Lecture In Memphis

#### Ted Shawn Group And H. R. Knickerbocker Head Local Entertainment

The two main features of cultural interest for this week are Ted Shawn's ballet troupe and the lecture of H. R. Knickerbocker, author and war correspondent. Shawn's dancers will perform Saturday night, December 16, at Ellis Auditorium, and the lecture sponsored by the Temple Men's Club will be held at the Congregation Children of Israel on Monday, December 18.

Ted Shawn and his dancers are an internationally famous troupe composed entirely of men. Last year they gave "O Libertad" in Memphis and were highly praised. Mr. Shawn says that the dance was originally begun by men, and he set out to prove with his all-male troupe that women dancers were not essential to a ballet. His group keeps in strict training with vigorous athletics as well as terpsichorean practice.

"At the Ringside of History" will be the subject of H. R. Knickerbocker's talk on Monday night. He is an international News Service staff correspondent and has covered many trying periods in European affairs. He is said to have received his "baptism of foreign correspondence fire" during the days of Hitler's famous 'Beer Putsch' in Munich. When the war broke out in Spain, he was the first reporter to reach the Insurgent Army.

Mr. Knickerbocker won the Pulitzer prize last year for being the outstanding foreign correspondent.

Four books of his are in the library: "Fighting the Red Trade Menace," 1931; "The German Crisis," 1932; "The Boiling Point: Will War Come in Europe?" 1934; and "The Siege of Alcazar: A Warlog of the Spanish Revolution," 1936.

### Dates, Mice, And Dorothy Steuwer Drive Prof. Lee Mad

It seems that Professor Lee will soon be losing those chestnut locks of his if the cast of the play doesn't stop running into things that keep them from rehearsals when there were just too many things that couldn't be put off in order to go to play practice. (By snooping, it was found out that one young lady of the cast couldn't turn down an invitation to some sort of party because the young gentleman who had asked her had been refused several dates before by the said young lady. Professor Lee was sweet enough to let her go merrily on her way, while he took her part on the stage.)

Then, too, there was that minor incident of the mouse running across the floor of the Tri Delt house, where the group (almost complete, too) was holding the usual Thursday night rehearsal. That was the time the well-known Miss Steuwer practically vanished into thin air when trying to get her feet off the floor. The rest of the evening was spent in terror for fear the poor little rodent might make a reappearance.

Lightly skipping over several cases of illness, we now find the cast convinced that everything will be running smoothly as soon as all the lines are memorized; but in the meantime poor Professor Lee is slowly going mad. Maybe it's because the former production of the play was such a success, but don't give up hope, Prof, the present cast will come through with flying colors and you can rest your weary mind until time to start all over again on the next play.

A bride should make sacrifices for her husband, but not in the form of burnt offerings.

What we steadily, consciously, habitually think we are, that we tend to become.—John Cowper Powys.

### J. D. Porteous, Night Watchman, Is Former Jockey And Oil Man

Few people here at Southwestern would recognize Mr. J. D. Porteous, the night watchman, as the jockey who rode under the name of Eddie Jones at the old Fairgrounds Race Track at New Orleans back in the gay nineties. Yes, Mr. Porteous was a real jockey. He was a good one, too. In fact, it was on Christmas Day in 1897 that he won his biggest race, the Christmas Day Handicap.

Born in the shadows of the tracks in New Orleans, it was Mr. Porteous' earliest ambition to be a jockey. Thus, it was that he began playing hookey from school and hanging around the horses. One day a wealthy sportsman noticed the boy's keen interest in the course and gave him a job as exercise boy.

A year of apprenticeship, however, found Mr. Porteous becoming a regular jockey. He took the name "Eddie Jones" to ride under because his father did not want a jockey for a son. For three years, Eddie Jones rode, sometimes losing, but oftentimes a winner.

As most jockeys do, he finally outgrew the job and went into the oil business, making his headquarters at Laurel, Mississippi. It was while there that he sent his son, Clark Porteous, to Southwestern. While here Clark set the school record by running a mile in four minutes and twenty-five seconds. In his senior year here Clark got sick and Dr. Diehl gave Mr. Porteous the job which he now holds so that he could be with Clark. When his son got well, Mr. Porteous says he intended to go back to Laurel but ill health and an attachment for the school has kept him here through the years.

If he calls it a silly and childish game, it means his wife can beat him at it.

### QUOTABLE QUOTES

"In America we talk much about democracy, but I am convinced that unless we give our students practice in democratic self-government through the management of their own affairs in college, they cannot be expected to practice democracy when they take their places in the community." Hamilton College's President Cowley urges U. S. higher education to promote the teaching of the nature of leadership.

"Upon us in America is laid the solemn duty of trusteeship for the old ideals of scholarship, freedom of teaching and of learning, freedom of thought and of speech, not that our institutions shall disintegrate before the sandblast of propaganda from the communist and the totalitarian, but that it shall stand strong and firm and shine out more brilliantly than before." Dr. Henry Noble MacCracken, president of Vassar College, urges the maintenance of the "pure wells of truth."

"If educational statesmanship could present to America a generation nerved to see how much of the same must be exacted, we should at last have entered culturally upon our long heritage of political freedom." University of Chicago's politician-philosopher, T. V. Smith, asks educators to emphasize the need for tolerance.

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