

Primer Opens Three Contests To Student Body

Several contests open to the general student body are now being conducted by Primer. These include the annual cover design contest, a prize illustration contest, and one for the prize short story.

Joseph Keefe '50, Editor of the Primer, has announced that only three manuscripts have been submitted to the literary staff to date. All of these are now in the art room, where they are being illustrated.

He also announces that the annual contest for the cover design of the Primer is now under way. The winner of the contest will receive ten dollars and written credit for the design in the Primer. Anyone interested in submitting an entry should consult the posters in lower Draper for the rules of the contest.

A prize illustration contest will also be conducted. The object of this contest will be to produce a picture 4 1/2 x 7 1/2 inches in one or two colors suitable for line reproduction. The prize for this contest which closes December 16, is five dollars, and a Primer credit line.

The prize story contest will begin January 3. Contestants will be asked to write a story of less than 2500 words based on the prize illustration. The closing date for this contest will be February 7. The winner of this contest will receive the spotlight of the magazine center spread, and a two color illustration. Members of the Primer staff are not eligible for this contest.

Faculty Footnotes

Mr. R. S. Knouse, professor of merchandising has been attending the American Vocational Association Convention in Milwaukee Wednesday through Friday. He will attend meetings concerned with distributive education and the training of distributive education teachers.

Mr. Knouse will also attend a meeting of the National Association of State Supervisors and Teachers Trainers in Distributive Education. Dr. Charles L. Andrews of the Physics Department will speak at the meeting of the American Physical Society at the University of Chicago on the subject of "Diffraction Patterns of Electromagnetic Waves Near Rods and Apertures." The lecture will concern work done by Dr. Andrews over the past five years at the Research Laboratory of General Electric.

Miss Ruth Card, Instructor in Biology, was married to Mr. Lester Hannett Wednesday, November 24. Miss Helen James, Assistant College Librarian, attended the conference of Eastern College Librarians at Columbia University, New York City, on Saturday, November 27.

Library Secures Record Albums For Student Use

"Tschalkowsky's Piano concerto number 1 in B flat minor," "Highlights from Puccini's Madame Butterfly," "Bach Organ Music Played by E. Power Biggs" and "Russian Folk Songs Sung by Alexander Kipnis" are the newest record albums available at the college library, according to Miss Mary Elizabeth Cobb, College Librarian. These albums may be borrowed at any time during the day and should be returned at any time on the following day. Records borrowed on Friday are due the following Monday.

A list of all the albums in the library is available at the main desk. Miss Marion Soule, Library Assistant in charge of audio-visual aids, is responsible for the records and anyone wishing to take out selections should contact her.

The library also acknowledges gifts from the following members of the faculty and student body: Mrs. Anna K. Barsam, Dr. Gertrude E. Douglas, Mr. Thomas Gibson,

Cards Available For Registration

According to the Registrar's Office, all students must secure cards for registration for the second semester of 1948-'49 school year next week. These cards must be returned to the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. Freshmen are requested to come in on Monday and Tuesday, upperclassmen and graduate students on Thursday and Friday.

Any students who expect to complete their undergraduate work in January and who are planning to return next semester to begin work on their Master's Degree must also file an application for such degree at the same time. Any students who are not expecting to return to college next semester should notify the office to that effect.

Formal Dinners, Suppers To End Rush Period

(Continued from Page 1, Column 5) The second sorority. If she does not receive a bid from her second choice, but does from her third, she will be obligated to join the third. Any rushee who refuses to accept a pledge from a sorority which she has mentioned in her preference blank, shall be ineligible for general sorority rushing and bidding for one year from the date of her refusal. Any woman who breaks her pledge shall be ineligible for a period of two years. A pledge, wishing to be formally initiated, must have maintained a "C" average until that time.

Formal bids will be in Student Mail Tuesday morning. Silent period will terminate 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, when pledge services will be held.

Schedule Address By Stewart

Pi Gamma Mu members will hear an address by Dr. Watt Stewart, Professor of History, on "The Revolution in Latin America" at a regular meeting of the fraternity, Wednesday, according to Marvin Wayne '49, President. Dr. Stewart's address will be open to any person who desires to attend.



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Aurania Club To Open Doors Tonight To State For Annual Inter-Fraternity, Inter-Sorority Ball

Sororities Close Rushing Period With Pledging

Welcome Fresh Girls With Buffet Suppers; No Group Fills Quota

Sorority rushing was concluded Tuesday night with pledge services and suppers, at which 100 freshmen women, two Sophomores, three Juniors, and one transfer student were pledged. The acceptance quota was raised to 20 girls per sorority, and therefore there has been an increase of 14 women over last year. However, no sorority succeeded in filling its quota.

Following is the list of pledges:

Kappa Delta
Joan Bennett, Janet Bookstaver, Lois Coman, Jean Faville, Joyce Hampel, Helen Picher, Evelyn Swenson, Margaret Shutt, Joyce Leavitt, Ruth LaGriff, Doris Van Evera, Jean Hope Rugg, Marion Newton, Laura Griffin, freshmen, Judith Davis, Transfer.

Psi Gamma
Veronica Thornton, Kathleen Ryan, Mary Ann Fitzgerald, Margaret Gemmill, Ann Sullivan, Rosemary Stevens, Olga Bajajay, Ann Adams, freshmen.

Chi Sigma Theta
Arlene Everson, Kathleen Donovan, Virginia Farrell, Jean Powers, Patricia Kirwin, Marcia Walsh, Elaine Sawyer, Joan Boywick, Jeanine Burke, Aileen O'Brien, Patricia Graff, Beatrice Magee, Ruth Hopper, Florence Kloser, Ann Reed, Ann Gorman, freshmen; Natalie Murray '49.

Alpha Epsilon Phi
Charlotte Alter, Edna Balsman, Jacqueline Coplin, Shirley Peinstein, Helena Grossman, Adele Hochberg, Lillian Kaminsky, Roslyn Lucks, Helene Patlen, Marilyn Rapp, Eleanor Rosenblum, Ruth Shair, Elaine Shampansky, Rita Stanger, Beatrice Swire, Elaine Tinkelman, Estelle Weisblatt, freshmen; Doris Brody, Miriam Koblenz, Sophomores.

Beta Zeta
Essie Juengling, Victoria Eadie, Evelyn Kamke, Kay Carpenter, Jeanne Hayes, Betty Adams, Mary Rose, Blanche Bus, Janet Rose, Anita Racine, Patricia Devitt, freshmen; Marilyn Cohen '50.

Gamma Kappa Phi
Antoinette Blasing, Eugenia Cer-

DeGarmo Judges Potatoes, Competes In National Contest

Farmers are not the only ones to judge potatoes. Students do it, too. In fact, one of State's students is quite superior at it. Lindley DeGarmo '50, came out first in last year's contest for prize potato judges, and fifth in this year's contest.

He doesn't just judge spuds, though. He can actually tell you, just from glancing at the eyes of the potato, that is whether that particular apple of the ground is a sharp Long Islander, or whether it is native Californian.

DeGarmo is connected with the vegetable department of the 4-H club, and he knows what hunger, horror, and hollandaise. That's where he got his learning.

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EPP Schedules Party, SLS Plans Annual Caroling

Eldred Edward Potter Club will hold an informal date party tomorrow night for members, pledges, and faculty members, according to Harold Vaughn '50, Chairman. Sigma Lambda Sigma's traditional Carol Sing will take place Thursday, with Jacob and Margaret Schule, Seniors, acting as Co-Chairmen.

Peter Club will entertain its guests at the fraternity house, 415 State Street, from 6 to 11:30 p. m. The committees for the evening are: Refreshments, Leonard Skolnick '50, Jack Feighaltd '51, George Poulos, Graduate; Entertainment, William Pawlucik '49; Decorations, Michael Cortese '50; Clean-up, Walter Schick, Graduate, Jack Kirby '49, Richard Peathers '50.

The SLS sing will also include a date party for those members wishing to bring dates. Those attending will meet in the rear of Draper at 7:30 p. m. The group will proceed from there and will visit the various group houses on campus. This includes the college dormitories and all sorority and fraternities houses.

The sing has been traditional since 1937 and has been held each year since that time, with the exception of the war years.

Add New Courses To College Curriculum Annex, Van Derzee To Hold Xmas Parties

The Modern Language and English Departments are to add new courses to their curricula next semester and for the year 1949-50.

Dr. Shields Melvaine, professor of English, has announced the addition of EN 138 which is to be a course in Phonetics. This course, which is to be required of those who plan to major in English and minor in Speech, will be taught by Dr. Paul Roonshiller, professor of Speech, commencing next semester.

Dr. J. Wesley Childers, professor of Spanish and head of the Department of Modern Languages, has announced the addition of several new courses. These are:

A course in scientific German, Ge. 5, which is to be a two hour course.

French 115, a course in French civilization. This is a one semester three hour course.

French 304, advanced. This is to

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Classes To Sing For Rivalry Points During Assembly

Today's assembly will consist of the annual Rivalry Sing between the freshman and Sophomore classes. Also slated for the program are nominations for delegates to the Eastern States Association Conference, and an announcement concerning the Myskania Christmas Party.

The annual Rivalry Sing between the freshmen and the Sophomores will take place this morning. Each class will sing a class fight song, an original class alma mater, and a song to the rival class.

The procedure for seating for the sing has been announced by Perry Pless '49, Grand Marshal. The Sophomores and Juniors in the balcony will remain in their seats. The freshmen in the left hand section (facing the stage) will remain seated until all the other freshmen are out. The fresh in the section on the right will move immediately to the center section, so that the center section will contain both groups, leaving the right section vacant, so the Juniors can move to their new seats. The center section will leave, one row at a time, and go down the right stair case to the Junior section downstairs. The Juniors will move to their right and go up the stairway nearest Richardson Hall to the section left empty by the freshmen. After all the Juniors have left their seats, the seniors will move to their right and up the same stair case to fill the left section, which will be emptied by the last freshmen.

A report will also be given on the recent ICA conference, held at Brockport by members of the State delegation. Nominations for delegates to the Eastern States Association meeting will also take place.

Myskania Will Hold Annual Xmas Party

Thursday night, Myskania will hold its annual Christmas party at the Albany Home for Children in the Home's Chapel, according to Catherine Donnelly '49, Chairman of Myskania.

Millard Smith '49, will play Santa Claus at the younger children's party, which will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., and Ronald Rockhill '51, will be Santa at the older children's party at 7 p.m. Ellen Fay '49, the Good Fairy on Station WROW, will portray the Good Fairy for the youngsters in the afternoon.

A collection will be taken up in assembly today to help defray the expenses of food and decorations. Cartons for all classes have been placed in lower Draper Hall, and Miss Donnelly urges all students to buy their gifts as soon as possible. She also asks that sorority members attend the Christmas party before going to their group house affairs.

Commuters' Club Will Stage Seasonal Festivity Tomorrow

The Commuters' Club Christmas Party will be held in the Commons tomorrow, from 8 to 12 p. m., according to Co-Chairmen Paul LeBrun '50 and Paul Wilbur, Sophomores. The evening will include dancing, entertainment and refreshments.

The committees for the affair include: Entertainment, Helen Callahan '49; Refreshments, Paul LeBrun '50; Mitchell Burkosky '52; Tickets, Mary McGuire '52. Admission will be twenty-five cents and everyone is invited to attend.

'Snowy Christmas' Will Be Theme For Decorations

Co-Chairmen Announce Completion Of Plans For All-College Affair

Tonight the doors of the Aurania Club will open for the annual Christmas Ball which is sponsored by Inter-Fraternity-Inter-Sorority Council. Fred Clute and his orchestra will furnish the music from 9 p. m. until 1 a. m., according to Co-Chairmen Helen Cook and Richard Zeller, Seniors.

The Aurania Club will be decorated in a theme fitting to the season of the year. Everson Kimb '49, Chairman of the Decoration Committee, has made plans for decorations for the effect of a snowy Christmas.

Open To All Students

Miss Cook and Zeller wish to remind students that the ball is not restricted to sorority and fraternity members. Any student and his guest may attend. They also wish to explain the presentation of a smaller dance this year. Last year a name orchestra was hired and the Christmas Ball was held in a large place. However, Inter-Fraternity-Inter-Sorority Council lost money because attendance was not large enough. This year the Council wishes to present a smaller dance and hopes to remain financially in the black.

Tickets are still on sale at the booth at the door of the Commons. Persons attending the ball will be able to purchase tickets at the door for \$3.00 per bid.

List Committee Heads

Other committee heads are: Mary Jane Peris, Orchestra; Abraham Trop, Place; Jean Tolman, Bids; Dolores Stocker, Programs; Marvin Wayne, Chaperones; Thomas Lisker '49, Concession; and Earl Jones '50, Publicity.

Chaperones for the Christmas Ball will be: Mr. Frank Carrino; (Continued on Page 3, Column 4)

Religious Clubs Slate Big-4 'Holiday Time' For ED Productions

Wednesday evening at 8 p. m., Pace Hall will be the scene of the Religious Clubs annual Big-4. The presentation, called "Holiday Time," is sponsored jointly by Hillel, Newman Club, and Student Christian Association, and is under the chairmanship of Jean Hoffman '49, Catherine Noonan '50, and Barbara Carpenter '51. Unlike previous years' productions, there will be no admission charged.

The Choralettes, under the direction of Mr. Karl Peterson, Instructor of Music, will open the program by singing Christmas Carols. Dancing in the gym will follow the program.

Narrators for the various religious groups will be Rosalyn Lucks '52, Hillel; Anthony Trocillo '50, Newman; Harold White '50, Nancy Burdick '51, Kenneth Wade and Muriel Dessimoz, freshmen, SCA. Other committees include: Lights, Jean Valrhovic '49 and Elythe Kelleher '50; Publicity, Jean Teal '51; Elaine Slatkoff '51, and Earl Jones '50; Decorations, Barbara Stein, Marilyn Strahlow, Helen Agnello, Sophomores, and Robert Donnelly '52; Programs, Rhoda Steuer, Robert Umholtz, Helen Mueller, Sophomores, and Katherine Datar and Mactetta Wilds, freshmen; and Make-up, Rhoda Riber '50, and Dorothy Mann '51.

Futterer Releases Cast For ED Productions

The casts for the Elementary Dramatics plays, which will be presented on January 18, have been released by Miss Agnes Futterer, Assistant Professor of English and Director of the plays.

Cast in "The Happy Journey," a comedy by Thornton Wilder, are Jacqueline Mann '51, Ma; Beverly Huber '50, Carolina; Henry Smith '52, Arthur; Frederick Knoezy '51, Pat; Jane Cook '51, Beulah; Joseph Keefe '50, Stage Manager.

The cast for "The Feast of Orleanians" by Maxwell Anderson includes Stuart Goldiman '51, Pomplignon; Joseph Crucella '50, Beaumarchais; Maynard Playfoot '51, Champfort; Barbara Carpenter '51, Duchess Du Gramont; Martin Bush '50, Conductor; Dorothy Mann '51, Mlle. De Sombreuil; Walter Keller '51, Philippe of Orleans; Richard Gutta '51, La Harpe; Carolyn Williams '51, Therogine; Harry Mills '49, General; Joseph Purdy '51, General Custine; George Kline '51, La Fayette; James Baumgarten '50, Sergeant; George Christy '50, Chief; Frederick Knoezy '51, St. Custine. The roles in "A Husband For Me" by Julia Brainard Carson are to be played by Anita Fox '51, Mag; Donald Ely '51, Douglas; Joseph Purdy '51, Tammas; Joan Pettine '51, Janet; Walter Keller '51, Rob; Joseph Crucella '50, Angus; Edward Kyle '52, Peter.



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The Greek Situation

Criticism of both the fraternities and sororities in general and of their intolerance and rushing systems in particular has been steadily increasing. It would seem that certain groups are receiving undue criticism for an existing situation which is certainly no fault of theirs. The restricted membership policies in effect today were originated about twenty years ago when State College was not the progressive, tolerant college it is today. Because of the discrimination at that time, fraternities and sororities were organized in direct opposition to each other. The active chapters are aware of the changes in attitude since that time and have endeavored to remedy the situation. They have not found it easy, however, to convince the original founders, who, in many cases, are the most active alumni, that things are not the same and that times necessitate a change. Representatives from local chapters of national fraternities have appeared at the national conventions to fight for the removal of the discrimination clause but, to date, they have not been successful.

The important thing is that the active members are trying to make the change but the change, of necessity, will be gradual.

Interfraternity Council plans to have a meeting in the very near future to discuss the insertion of a clause, concerning the postponement of bidding, in the Inter-fraternity Council constitution. If the plan goes through, and there is every indication that it will, freshmen men will not receive bids until sometime before spring recess.

If the sororities will follow the lead, State College will be well rid of the intensified rushing system. The crowded schedules of the students of this college will not permit constant rushing from September to March and by prolonging it, the rushing will be gradual and better for all concerned. Sorority women and freshmen will be given the opportunity to really KNOW each other instead of being forced to judge on a false basis which has been the case in the past.

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A Reminder . . .

Last week in assembly, a plea was made for Christmas presents for the children at the Albany Home. Cartons were placed in the corridors by the members of Myskiana and the various age groups were published in last week's NEWS.

Less than one week remains before the party at the home and the cartons are far from overflowing. We're not asking the impossible this time. Fifteen minutes of your time and fifty cents of your money is very little when it is measured in terms of the bang those kids get out of opening your presents.

And if you'd like to get a little of the Yuletide spirit before attending the Christmas parties at the group houses, come to the party and see for yourself.

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ISSUE EDITOR Bernadette Freel

Drama Critique

Last Tuesday being the seventh anniversary of Pearl Harbor, it was fitting that the dramatic presentation for the evening should include a war tragedy. Perhaps even more appropriate was the audience reaction to this tragedy. The student body had considerable difficulty in realizing that the play was a tragedy, and having realized it, they were rather loathe to admit the fact. The fault does not lie completely on the shoulders of our literature, however; the cast contributed to the initial confusion. Both Joe Keefe as a tough (?) G.I. and Martin Bush as the Captain were unconvincing. Joe outshouted the mildest Sergeant I have seen outside S-I, but I was left with the conviction that they had both been politely raised in a cultured atmosphere. This is nice to know but added nothing to the reality of the drama. Let it be said that when the audience was put in the mood by the better performances, the production went amazingly well. The entire supporting cast was excellent but special bows go to Mmes. Lyons and Noonan for their prop and set work, to Joe Purdy, Ellen Fay, Tink Whitpen and Dan Rider for excellent performances, and to Joe Crucilla for the authentic costuming.

The second production, a light (almost nebulous) farce, was taken to the audience's heart like a suckling baby. The redeeming factor in an otherwise dull fare was Dick Clement's performance as the husband. Also, the girls were attractively dressed.

A brief word on the intermission entertainment. Battling an impenetrable audience, a clanking helmet liner, someone hammering backstage, and a bad cold, Joe Crucilla, accompanied by Pinky Smith, regaled us with four fine tenor numbers. I hope we can expect more of same in the near future.

A Look At The Facts

Our contemporary, Soapbox, published in this week's issue an article entitled "AMA vs. Federal Health Insurance Program." The evidence used to back up the conclusions is an example of crass use of statistics without showing what statistics really mean. Take for example, the fact that "75% of American Males are being turned down by post-war draft boards." Does this mean that 75% of our men are unhealthy? Why, it only means that World War II's are being called up for rejection. Then we are told that a 4% reduction from payrolls will pay all costs of medical service for workers. And does the 4% come out of thin air? It will merely be added to prices causing even higher prices.

This author goes on to interpret the Ewing Plan to be administered by local committees of doctors and "administrators"—in other words, politics and medicine. The case of John Doe who can pick his personal physician for illness is described, but are we assured that Mr. Doe's physician has enough political influence to be on the local panel of doctors? If you want more information about panels of doctors, ask your physician about Workmen's Compensation racket in this and other states.

Agreed that medical service can be improved (as can most other things). The government can discharge its obligation to provide better medical service at lower cost in the following ways—none of which permit the politician to tell the doctor whom and how to treat:

1. Government subsidy of medical research.
2. Government subsidy of hospitals—there's an acute shortage.
3. Government scholarships for medical training with the provision that recipients must practice for a length of time in areas which lack sufficient medical care.
4. Government subsidy of medical colleges.

The A.M.A. has tried successfully a plan of mass health insurance in Michigan. The workers pay the premium by payroll deduction and receive medical care for selves and family in return for this payment—not for free! The government acts as the insurance company or underwriter and adjusts premiums to suit actual costs of the program so that each person pays for his share of medical attention.

The author of the Soapbox article bases his enthusiasm for the Ewing Plan on the fact that the A.M.A. is copying it. College level thinking can do a better job than judging a proposal by its enemies!

Communications

To the Editor:
 "Campus heartache"—yes, that's a name that has been given to the sorority. No one but one of those who hasn't "made it" has any conception of the true with many who come to State, we had no experience with sororities. We are not the type of people who put on an act so we just went along our own way.

Naturally, we were bewildered and shy. Gradually, we became acclimated to the college system. Then, we noticed a peculiar phenomenon—other girls were being asked to lunch—the mailboxes were full.

Day after day we went down to the mailbox, hopefully, but we always came away empty-handed.

After a time, we gave up looking. It was apparently no use. Already, some girls were being dropped. (That's a nice thing about this place—you don't go down with a bang. It's gradual.)

It never seemed to make much difference. Most of the fresh were "on the fence" about sororities. Chance was the deciding factor. Some, of course, are definite independents or sorority girls.

Then, we found that we were instructed about making a careful choice. It sounds as though it was up to everyone to be one way or the other. This confuses us.

Formal dinners were held. But associates who were on the fence got off. They were different. They were sorority enthusiasts. They didn't talk the same and they didn't act the same.

We wonder what is wrong with the many of us for whom Fate made the decision. We would like the opportunity to decide about this status—Independent or Greek.

There are knots in our chests tonight. In our bewilderment and uncertainty, does this herald an "unknown" future.

We wonder. Two Frosh

Common-States

The Common-States is given the widest latitude as author of this column, although his viewpoints do not necessarily reflect those of the STATE COLLEGE NEWS.

COOPERATION NEEDED
 Mr. Pulver, the college treasurer, gave us the info on the cafeteria plan. The NEWS covered the following highlights back in September but for those who missed them, here they are:

1. Any profits would be returned to the subscribers in any way that they voted to distribute them. Dividends, better food, etc.
2. The manager would be on a flat salary basis. No commission or profits deal.
3. Administration and policy would be determined by a council composed of student subscribers with faculty advisors.
4. It would be on a five day a week basis at \$100 per semester. This is the best estimate that could be set until the plan was operating.

It is strictly for the benefit of the students but the administration must have an adequate student subscription before it can sign contracts, hire help, etc. A full semester subscription is necessary because students dropping out half way thru the program would upset it. The administration will meet us half way but the students will decide the outcome.

HOT ROCK IDEA
 Can a deal be worked with one of the merchants associations to give discounts on purchases with the presentation of a Student Tax card? It has worked elsewhere.

SCHOOL SPIRIT
 The basketball players appreciated the swell turnout for their first games but they were embarrassed by the spectator reaction to the temper flare-ups among the visiting players. State players will tell you that it can happen to anyone in the heat of a game and they felt that the booing, especially during the foul shots, was not sportsmanlike.

WHAT HOPPENED
 to the committee composed of Juniors and faculty members to investigate the possibility of working with the children's groups. . . with credit hours for such work? The student committee members are still interested, the opportunities for such work in Albany is plentiful, and the newly formed All State Community Service has initiated the basic groundwork. Support from our education department is still lacking. Guess that it's easier to theorize in lectures.

THE IMPORTANT ISSUE
 If you don't think that the frat-sorority question is an important one, make sure you read this week's Letter to the Editor. There are three solutions; remove the organizations from campus, form new organizations, or increase the present membership. The latter desire for organization make the first impractical. New organizations would probably increase the present financial problems. The third looks best. More people would be taken care of, thereby decreasing the "left out" hurt and it would bolster the weakened finances that the sororities in particular are now feeling.

That frat and sorority members are aware of the defects is shown in this week's editorial and Mike Capanus's letter of last week. More active individual interest will help clear up the question and benefit the entire school. On the other hand . . .

. . . the sororities deserve a pat on the back for their buffet suppers and formal dinners. These affairs, that end the much criticized rushing period, are indications of the cooperation and enjoyment that sororities can provide.

Merry Christmas and we'll see you all next year.

College Calendar - - -

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**
 3:30 p.m. IVCF Bible study. Mrs. Travis leader, Room 150.
 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Inter - Sorority - Inter - Fraternity Christmas Ball, Aurania Club.
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11**
 8:15 p.m. IVCF Tri-City Area meeting, YWCA Little Theatre.
 8:30 p.m. Hillel Chanukkah Party, Temple Ohav Shalom.
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**
 9 p.m. SCA Christmas Chapel, Unitarian Church.
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 13**
 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Campus Commission Sale of all unclaimed articles, Commons.
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14**
 3:30 p.m. SCA Discussion, "Background of Protestantism," Lounge.
 8 p.m. Pan Amigos meeting and Christmas Party, Commons.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15**
 3:30 p.m. Clinton Square Neighborhood House Christmas Party. All students invited.
 8 p.m. Religious Clubs Big Four, "Holiday Sing," Page Hall.
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16**
 4:30 p.m. Myskiana Christmas Party for younger children, Albany Home.
 7 p.m. Myskiana Party for older children, Albany Home.
 8-12 p.m. Sorority Date Parties.
 11 p.m.-1 a.m. Sorority Blue parties.
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17**
 3:30 p.m. IVCF Bible Study. Mrs. Travis leader, Room 150.

Hillel, SCA Plan Debate Council Chanukkah Party, To Meet RPI, Christmas Chapel Plattsburg State

Resolved: That the Communist Party Be Outlawed. Resolved: That We Teach Sex Education in Public Schools. On these two resolutions the Debate Council shall next week take its stand: negatively for the former, and affirmatively for the latter. Molly Mulligan '50, and Abraham Troy '49, will represent State over the air in the debate relating to the Communist Party December 13. RPI will take the affirmative.

December 14 State will be represented by Mary Odack '49, and George Christy '50, on the radio in a debate with Plattsburg State Teachers' College on sex education in connection with public schools. State will uphold the affirmative of the resolution.

Later in the week State will meet Oswego State Teachers' College in the first home debate this semester. Resolved: That there should be Federal Aid to Education, will be debated affirmatively by Alice Gersh '51, and Mary Alice Rega '50.

WSSF Depicts Living Conditions Of Homeless Greek Students

"Buildings are being made of strange materials everywhere today, but the hovelboards with which Americans are becoming acquainted seems like pre-war luxury in comparison to the Hatzikyriakon Refugee Center here, where walls are made of blankets and rugs."

The above quote was taken from a release from the World Student Service Fund and pertains to the conditions under which students in Athens, Greece find themselves living. WSSF is supported by contributions from the student bodies of American Colleges and was one of the services included under the Campus Chest Drive, here.

The article goes on to say that before the war, Hatzikyriakon was an orphanage—a large building with long open dormitories for the children. Now converted into a center for Greek refugees from Europe, it is in a state of disrepair, a shortage of building materials has made it impossible to partition off individual rooms or living quarters for families. In place of anything more substantial, family units have made private quarters for themselves by hanging blankets and rugs in such a way that they form little square cubicles. Inside these rooms, entire families eat, sleep and manage to do some cooking.

Hatzikyriakon, which houses most of the refugee students from other Balkan countries, has separate provisions for single men and women, who are housed in tents behind the main building. Many of the students there, since they fled with their families, live in the "woolen-walled" rooms of the main building, however.

The center has a large central kitchen but no dining hall. The people living in the center go to the kitchen each day to draw their rations, and then return to their own quarters to eat it. Only one meal a day is served, and the food is poor. On special holidays a little meat may be included in the ration.

Signum Laudis Holds Initiation For Members

Nelson, Wallace Preside In Ingle Room Ceremony; Rich, Guest Speaker

Signum Laudis, Honorary Scholastic Fraternity, held an initiation Tuesday night at 8 p. m. in the Ingle Room at Pierce Hall for its newly named members, according to President Helen Haberman '49.

Dr. Milton G. Nelson, Acting President, and Dr. Edith Wallace, Assistant Professor of Latin, officiated at the ceremony. Dr. Townsend Rich, Instructor in English, was the speaker of the evening. Mrs. Naomi Timmerman, Instructor in Chemistry, Ann May, Graduate, and Donald Langley '49, planned and executed the initiation. Present besides the new members were formerly initiated members of the Senior class, faculty members, and faculty who are members of Phi Beta Kappa.

The new members of Signum Laudis are William C. Bahn, Jr., Helen Hoffman, Marie Holtz, Mary Norman, Olive L'Henreux, Gina Lisi, Norman Madsen, Marie Markham, Emory Osborn, William Sheehan, and Gifford Wingate, Seniors.

Signum Laudis is composed of those Seniors who rank among the highest ten per cent of their class in academic standing. Four per cent of this group is chosen in the fall of their Junior year, four per cent is chosen in the fall of their Senior year, and the remaining two per cent in the spring of their Senior year. The Senior having the highest average of those chosen becomes president of the organization.

Announce Plans For Science Club

The Science Club will hold a meeting Thursday in Room 150, Husted, at 7:30 p. m. Election of officers will follow the order of business.

The principal speaker of the evening will be Harold Story '49, whose topic is "Wave Forms and the Use of the Oscilloscope."

Also, the Eastern N. Y. section of the American Chemical Society will meet Tuesday at 8:15 p. m. in Room 20, Richardson. Mr. D. J. Parsons, Scientific Chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory, Washington, will speak on "Chemistry in the F.B.I. Laboratory."

Sororities Plan Xmas Festivities

All State College Sororities will hold Christmas parties at their respective houses, Thursday night. The houses will be open to sorority members and their guests until 12 p. m. From 11 p. m. until 1 a. m. the sororities will hold parties for women only. Women attending these parties must be in the houses by their regular week day hours. However, they will not have to be at their own residence halls until 1 a. m.

Beta Zeta Sorority will sponsor a hayride to Slingerlands, tomorrow night from 7:30 until 9:30 p. m. After the hayride there will be a party at the Beta Zeta house until 12 midnight. General Chairman is Mary Odack '49.

German Students Plan Xmas Party

Mr. William Meyer, Instructor in German, has announced that the students of that department have planned a party which will be held from 7:30 to 12 p. m., January 7, at Germania Hall in Troy.

Ursula Neubaus '49, Chairman, plans to have skits, singing and dancing for the people who signed to attend. The affair is to be called "Butter Abend." The only requirement is that German be spoken. First year students will be admitted on this condition.

Mr. Meyer, with some of the more advanced students, will lead the discussions.

Sororities Welcome Pledges At Services, Buffet Suppers

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 Phyllis Charron, Maureen Daville, Dorothy DeCicco, Gene Donovan, Phoebe Fuller, Thelma Houck, Betty Laughlin, Marilyn Lewis, Maryann McCourt, Barbara Moran, Grace Parrette, Madeline Weitlauf, Gumen Gallivan, freshmen; Chair Hustedon '50.

Phyllis Davis, Shirley English, Evelyn Erdle, Marjorie Farwell, Marion Gorskie, Jeanne Hamilton, Julie Isakson, Alma Jakeman, Frederica McKewon, Jane Mueckler, Mary Lou Noble, Patricia Purcell, Beverly Rinebold, Margaret Smythe, Sonia Stepanian, Joan Tilton, Eleanor Poeschl, Lois Twiss, Janet Winnett, freshmen.

Stokes Releases Cast For Spring Opera

Mr. Charles Stokes, head of the Music Department, has released the cast for the Gilbert and Sullivan opera, "Pirates of Penzance," to be presented in early March. After two weeks of try-outs the following principals and understudies have been selected: Major General, Harry Mills '49, Malcolm Sterling '49; Pirate King, Gordon Bennett '52; Christiana Liestrovo '50; Frederic, Allen Campbell '49; Joseph Crucilla '50; Sgt. of Police, Malcolm Sterling; Christiana Liestrovo; Mabel, Elsie Thorpe '49; Bernadine Snyder '49; Edith, Bernadine Snyder; Dorothy Fassarelle; Kate, Virginia Waite '49; Charvée Jeanne Perrotta '51; Isabel, Shirley Casler '50; Ruth, Jean Hoffman '49; Joan Whitehair '51. Tryouts will be held next Monday for the part of Samlet.

Stokes Releases Regulations Regarding Christmas Trees

Students who are planning Christmas parties at the college between now and vacation are reminded by Dean of Women, Ellen C. Stokes, that Fire Regulations prohibit the use of Christmas trees in public institutions. Any other decorations which are used must be fire-proofed.

Fred Clute To Furnish Music At Xmas Ball

(Continued from Page 1, Column 5)
 Instructor in Spanish; Dr. J. Wesley Childers, Professor of Spanish, and Mrs. Childers; Dr. Edward L. Cooper, Assistant Professor of Commerce, and Mrs. Cooper; Mr. Howard Fillet, Instructor in Social Studies, and Mrs. Fillet; Mr. Karl A. Peterson, Instructor in Music; Mr. Harry S. Eric, Jr., Instructor in Social Studies, and Mrs. Eric; Dr. Theodore G. Standing, Professor of Sociology, and Mrs. Standing; and Dr. Charles F. Stokes, Professor of Music, and Mrs. Stokes.

SMILES Requests Volunteers For Christmas Party Committees

There will be a sign-up sheet on the SMILES bulletin board for all persons interested in working on the refreshment, publicity, or gift wrapping committee for the Myskiana Christmas party to be held December 16, according to Allan Campbell '51, Chairman of SMILES.

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By MICKEY SEAMAN

To date there have been exactly six couples who have done their part with regard to the ping pong tourney. As yet there are still eight rounds to be played before the actual play-offs can begin. We hope these girls realize that all of the first round matches must be finished before vacation or these players will be eliminated. Let's get busy on this, kids, and see if all of the second round can't be completed before vacation.

The fencing team is off to a good start. Twenty-four girls, and very enthusiastic ones, too, are giving up their time to try their skill at this sport. Practice is held every Saturday night. The organizers proved it was not a "hot night" by taking Willimantic State Teachers on Saturday night.

As usual, WAA is looking ahead. They are making plans for another open meeting in the near future so that plans can be made for the proposed conference at State next year and suggestions offered regarding winter sports. Watch the WAA Bulletin Board for the date of this meeting and come to air your grievances there.

Which is the most attractive bulletin board in lower Draper? WAA's of course! Congratulations on such an attractive set up. It certainly makes us stop—and look!

WAA Begins Basketball Season

WAA basketball league games will get underway on Saturday morning in Page gym at ten o'clock. The next scheduled game will be played on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, starting at seven o'clock.

For the first part of the season, the sixteen teams have been divided at random into two leagues. St. Thomas More, Phi Delta, League A. Sayles, B. A. E. Phi, Chi Sigma, and Psi Gamma make up League I. League II consists of Gamma Kappa, K.D., Newman, Commuters, Sayles A, Western, Beta Zeta, and Pierce B.

Games must be forfeited if the teams do not have at least five players and a secret present within five minutes of the scheduled times. The games will be scheduled a week in advance and will be posted on the WAA Bulletin Board.

The schedule until the Christmas vacation:

Saturday, December 11, 1948
10:00-10:30 St. Thomas More-Phi Delta
10:30-11:00 Gamma Kappa-Kappa Delta
11:00-11:30 Pierce A-Sayles B
11:30-12:00 Newman - Commuters

Tuesday, December 14, 1948
7:00-7:30 A. E. Phi-Chi Sig
7:30-8:00 Sayles A-Western
8:00-8:30 Grads-Psi Gamma
8:30-9:00 Beta Zeta-Pierce B
9:00-9:30 St. Thomas More-Pierce A

Wednesday, December 15, 1948
7:00-7:30 Gamma Kappa-Newman
7:30-8:00 Phi Delta-Sayles B
8:00-8:30 Kappa Delta-Commuters
8:30-9:00 A. E. Phi-Grads
9:00-9:30 Sayles A-Beta Zeta

Keglers Top Pharmacy, Open Lead Over Siena

State Drops Opener; Defeats Willimantic

Making a brilliant comeback, State's Varsity basketball team almost pulled a startling upset over N.Y.S. Maritime Academy last Friday night. The cagers proved it was not a "hot night" by taking Willimantic State Teachers on Saturday night.

Trailing by the count of 22-6 in the first period, State looked like a beaten team, but then the Peds' offense began to click and with Tom O'Brien leading a second period spurge, State came within halting distance of Maritime. The second half opened with a "new" State team, led by Sy Fersh, slowly shortening the lead. A see-saw battle during the fourth quarter saw State come within one point of the victors only to have several breaks go against them. The final count was 58-53 in favor of the visitors who were paced by red-headed Coogan and Jerry Timony.

Proving that they can fight hard, the Statesmen came back Saturday night to take Willimantic in tow, although the score shows a close game, State had no trouble in gaining their first win of the young season. After a close first half, Stat. slowly pulled away until they had a comfortable margin of 14 points. Seeing the game was well in hand, Coach Hathaway started to empty the bench to give the second stringers a chance to see what they could do. For the second night in a row, Fersh led his team in scoring although Ed Matthews gave the crowd a thrilling time at the close of the first half by putting on a scoring spree of nine points including several beautiful shots.

The J.V.'s lost two games to Lippman's Pharmacy and A.B.C. by the scores of 46-39 and 43-38 respectively.

Player	STATE	FG	FP	TP
Marz. Ilo	0	1	1	1
George	2	0	4	0
O'Brien	3	3	9	0
Carter	0	0	13	0
Fersh	5	3	13	3
Matthews	3	0	6	0
Lansky	2	3	7	0
Warden	4	0	8	0
Brown	1	3	5	0
Totals	20	13	53	3

Player	MARITIME	FG	FP	TP
VanDerzee	0	3	3	0
Turner	0	0	0	0
Lorenz	4	2	10	0
Coogan	8	3	19	0
McGee-Smith	0	0	0	0
Timoney	3	3	15	0
Connors	2	2	6	0
Watson	1	3	5	0
Totals	21	16	58	0

Player	WILLIMANTIC	FG	FP	TP
Carberry	0	0	0	0
Lavalec	0	0	0	2
Selavka	1	2	4	0
Sohnick	5	4	14	0
Tracy	1	0	2	0
Kaminski	1	1	16	0
Burdick	2	2	1	5
Jelle	0	0	0	0
Johnson	1	1	1	3
Totals	16	14	46	0

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Faculty Footnotes

Mr. Elmer Mathews, Director of Teacher Placement Bureau, was in charge of the New York State Institutional Teacher Placement Association meeting at Syracuse, December 2. Representatives of various teacher training institutions gathered together to discuss problems, general and specific, concerning the Anti-Discrimination Law.

Mr. Mathews was elected vice-president of the organization.

Mr. Reno S. Knouse, Professor of Merchandising, has written two articles which appear in the December issues of the "New York State Education" magazine and the "United Business Education Forum."

The articles published in "New York State Education" is entitled "Teacher Training in Distributive Education" and deals with the graduate and undergraduate programs at State College. The other article is entitled "Student Layout Analysts." This is a description of a practical educational project completed in the W. M. Whitney and Company store by students in the Merchandising classes.

Mr. Reno S. Knouse has also been scheduled to speak at the Interchurchmen's Fellowship Meeting on "Teacher Training in Distributive Education," December 13.

Dr. Watt Stewart, Professor of History, was editor of a section of the "Handbook of Latin American Studies" entitled "South American History: The National Period" Number 13.

Mr. Reno S. Knouse attended the American Vocational Association Convention in Milwaukee, December 1, 2, and 3.

Dr. Wallace W. Taylor, Professor and Supervisor in Social Studies, also of the Education department, presided over the General Session Meeting of the National Council for Social Studies discussing "International Relationships." He is also chairman of the committee on International Relationships. Dr. Taylor has been elected to the Board of Directors, National Council for Social Studies.

Miss Elnora Drafahl, Instructor in English, was the guest expert on WTRY, Troy, in the program "How Do You Pronounce it?" sponsored by the Russell Sage Speech Department, December 3. December 7, Miss Drafahl was moderator for a panel discussion "What Is the Position of the Negro in the U. S.?" The panel was also broadcast over WTRY, Troy.

Miss Millicent Haines, Instructor in Social Studies, is the author of an article in the November 1948 issue of "Educational Leadership," the Journal of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development of the National Education Association. Miss Haines' article is entitled, "Thinking Straight About Facts and Figures," and appears on page 100.

Dr. Wallace W. Taylor of the Education department reviewed Warren Moscow's recent book, "Politics in the Empire State" in the Citizenship Journal, Vol. IV No. 1 Fall 1948.

Dr. Paul C. Lemon, Professor of Biology, will be the presiding chairman at the Society of American Foresters on the topic of "Application of Science to Range Resource Problems East of the Mississippi River." The meeting will be held in the Statler Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts, December 16.

Express Company Establishes Plan To Aid Students

The establishment of a new Educational Travel Division by the American Express Company, to aid faculty members and students who contemplate traveling abroad to study in foreign universities, has been announced by Ralph T. Reed, company president.

The new division gives advice on scholastic requirements, academic calendar and dormitory space, and answers other questions regarding universities in 36 countries throughout the world.

In addition, students who travel abroad during their vacations can receive from the new Educational Travel Division valuable aid on where their most educational trip lies.

The information was gathered through the help of the colleges concerned, the Institute of International Education, the Veterans Administration, and foreign consulates. A brochure, "To Study Abroad" has been prepared and is available at any office of the company.

Hurry, Buy Your Bid Today For The Christmas Blowout

Hurry . . . Hurry . . . Hurry! This is your last chance to go to the Christmas Formal and perhaps to get a date. If you can't get a girl (or fellow, as the case may be) why, just ask the first person you bump into today. Don't bump too hard or they may not trust you on a dance floor. If they say "NO" then ask the second person. What's the matter, are you proud?

Don't be so grossly schmo-ish as to say that you can't dance. Anybody can. Or at least everybody makes a poor attempt. If you're too weary after a long week of classroom drudgery, you can always find a quiet corner to nap in. You don't have to stay long, anyway.

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Library Releases Vacation Rules

Term papers due immediately upon return from Christmas vacation can now be compiled during the "vacation." Miss Mary E. Cobb, Librarian, has announced that books on reserve can be borrowed for the period beginning Thursday, December 16, and ending Monday, January 3, at 9:10 a. m. However, all books not returned by 9:10 a. m. Monday morning will be subjected to the following fines: twenty-five cents for the first hour, or fraction thereof, that it is overdue, and five cents for each succeeding hour, up to a maximum of sixty cents for the first day. For each succeeding day an additional twenty-five cents is charged to the purchase price of the book.

At present the library is having an exhibit of books for vacation reading. The exhibit is entitled, "Home for Christmas." Every student at State is urged to read at least one book just for pleasure over the holidays.

Regular "two week loan books" may be borrowed till next week and will not be due until Wednesday.

Mail Smiles Pamphlets To Teachers' Colleges

Pamphlets concerning the SMILES organization have been mailed to the 230 teachers' colleges in the United States, according to Jean Ineson '49, Editor.

This booklet explains the organization and history of SMILES, and tells of the various student activities at the Albany Home for Children throughout the year. A letter of introduction by John Jennings, asking the student presidents to consider the possibility of organizing a SMILES group in their respective schools, accompanied the pamphlet.

McIlwaine, Childers Schedule New Courses In Departments

(Continued from Page 1, Column 1) be offered first semester to balance the graduate program.

Spanish 224, readings in Medieval literature, is a one semester three hour course.

Spanish 225, Picaresque Novel, a one semester three hour course.

Spanish 226, studies in Spanish poetry, a one semester three hour course.

Spanish 237, advanced phonetics, a one semester three hour course.

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