Christmas Formal at Country Club Tonight

CABARET STYLE PLUS LEE VINCENT PLUS FLOOR SHOW SHOULD EQUAL MUCH JOY

There will be dancing from 9 to 1 at the Cabaret style party in the Victory Room of the Hotel Reddington on Friday, January 6. The dance will be sponsored by the Pre-Med, I.B.C., and Chem clubs of the College. Music for the affair will be furnished by the valley-wide popular Lee Vincent and his orchestra.

The floor to Wilkesmen will retain its mystery. It is rumored that the orchestra will perform part of their set in between the music for dancing.

The three general chairmen for the affair, Walter Mokychic, Delos Passeri and Bill Kashtan, have notified all those concerned that reservations for the party should be made before January 5.

Tickets may be purchased, at $1.00 per couple, from any student who desires to attend any of the three sponsoring clubs, or they may be obtained at the ticket window.

Committee for the dance are: Tickets—Bill Dyka, Jack Russell and Walter Mokychic. Reservations and House—Ed Godke, Elva Fuller, Wayne Redline and Tom Jones. Entertainment—Charles Knapp, Joe Radko and Dr. William.

Publicity—Don Fulmer.

STORY-WRITING CONTEST WILL CLOSE JANUARY 15

The 1948 College Writers' Short Story Contest will close January 15, 1949. Winners must be notified before that date.

Prizes of $500, $200 and $100 will be offered for the three stories. The judges will be the Editors of 'Tomorrow Magazine' and the Creative Age Press.

The prize-winning stories will be published in the spring and summer of 1949. All other stories will be considered for publication at Tomorrow's regular rates.

Entries should be addressed to College Contest, Tomorrow Magazine, 11 East 44th Street, New York 17, New York. They must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope.

MANY SURPRISES PLANNED BY ATHLETES AS HOLIDAY SEND-OFF FOR STUDENTS

VINCENT'S ORCHESTRA TO BE FEATURED

BY GEORGE BRODY

Have you got your ticket yet? Well, hurry up! Tonight is the night of the Letterman's Formal. Never (R. A. F. notwithstanding) will there be a prettier little. Just search out a Letterman, give him four dollars and return to give you one ticket that will get you into the year's greatest evening in the day count of dreamland. Dreamland will, in this instance, be the Irish Temple Country Club, and background will be supplied by Lee Vincent's orchestra.

The Lettermen, forgetting no one in their homecoming, have made elaborate arrangements to ease the pressure on your tired pocketbooks. Tuxedos rented from Baun's will be considerably reduced in price by merely mentioning that you are a member of the College. You don't know what kind of courage your new girl friend likes? Don't worry about that, either. Jack Dellbruck, being dutifully married, and having the anguish of a man who disapproves of the young lady, prevailed upon the Lettermen to see to it that Jack and every girl become the recipient of one great big fresh orchid absolutely free. If that is not being thoughtful, then what is.

Jack Senmer, Dance Chairman, who has worked so hard to make his affair successful reminds everyone that this is the season's first formal and has grown out of the request of students that Wilkes College has not had enough good formal affairs—suggestions for girls, too, who have waited since school start to wear a gown. Smiling, congenial Bob Watert.

LIEVE VINCENT, Letterman President, states that no limit to fun will be the order of the day. This will be the students enjoying a party before departing in all directions for the Christmas holidays. He wants the students to take home a happy memory and a Merry Christmas from the Letterman's Club. He thinks there can be no better way to spend the last evening before departing than with your friends in a world of fun and pleasant surroundings. Come to the Letterman's Ball.

PHETHIAN Elected President of EMBRY WILKES LITERARY SOCIETY

By "SKINNY" ENNS

On Friday evening, December 9, a group of Sophs packed themselves into a truck lined with hay and took off on a windy ride to the country.

The group went to the Huntsville Inn Center. Dancing, dart games, pool, and cards filled the evening.

Bob Moran was official fire extinguisher (chaperon) but he turned out to be one of the spark plugs of the affair.

After an evening of fun, the group, besecked in heavy coats and sweaters, boarded the truck and drove back to Wilkes. It was a beautiful ride. The moon was shining on the snow-covered hills. As you, it was scenic.

THE SOPHS WENT ON A RIDE, HAY!

CHRISTMAS SUPPER HELD LAST TUESDAY

By IRENE JANOSKI

The Theta Delta Rho's annual Christmas Supper was held last Tuesday, December 13, on the second floor of the Wilkes Cafeteria. Gwen Clifford was general chairman of the affair.

At the supper each girl helped herself to a large assortment of cold meats, salads, pickles and tempting dishes. Coffee and a variety of Christmas cookies were served individually at the tables.

After the supper, the girls presented their Big Sisters with Christmas gifts; they, in turn, gave their Little Sisters tiny mugs (earthen wedding cup) bearing the emblem of the sorority. Following the exchange of gifts, Ginny Bolen was appointed to collect the Theta Delta Rho dues for the year.

Entertainment was provided in the main lounge of the Hall. After the group singing of Christmas carols a piano selection, entitled "A Deux, A Deux," was presented by Blanche Crowder. Two solos, "Hatimat" and "L'ska Bumbim," were sung by Carl Thomas. After the entertainment Santa Claus, in the person of Jimmy Meisner, presented each of the members of the club with a small gift. The evening came to a successful close with the spirited singing of carols by proud members of Theta Delta Rho.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS SUNG AT ASSEMBLY

CHORAL CLUB PRESENTS ANNUAL PROGRAM

The Wilkes College Choral Club's Christmas program was presented at an assembly last Tuesday morning in the Baptist Church. The program opened with the entire student body singing "Oh Come All Ye Faithful." The first group presented by the Choral Club included "Rise Up Early," a Slovak carol, and "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy One," a seventeenth century German carol.

Ned McGee gave a reading of his Christmas story about the "Little Gentlemen." Following Ned McGee's reading, the assembly closed with "The First Noel." The Choral Club's second group consisted of "The Time Draws Near," an English carol, "Ah, Bearest Lord" by Johannes Brahms, with a solo by Helen Bihler Hawks, "Angel Voices Ever Singing," which is a French carol. Following a Christmas address by Dr. Fairley, the Choral Club concluded its special part of the program with "And The Glory Of The Lord" from Handel's Messiah.

Donald Cobleigh, assistant professor of music at Wilkes, conducted the program.

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ON THE ATLANTIC UNION RESOLUTION

The monopoly of atomic energy, which has now been broken, should give impetus to the necessity for an early solution to the problem of war and peace.

Recalling this, many national and state organizations have united in urging congress to pass the Atlantic Union Resolution, which will be considered at the next session. The AU Resolution has been referred to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. And the Atlantic Union Committee is requesting that the members send copies of resolutions adopted by their groups to the congressional committee.

The United States has attempted to strengthen the free peoples of the world within the United Nations through the Marshall Plan, The Atlantic Pact, and through the program to re-arm Europe.

However this is not enough.

There is still another course open: a federal union of the western democracies. Each of the other steps has been taken under the threat of aggression, but the preceding step was not enough.

A federal union of western democracies would definitely recognize that the world is divided, however it may preserve the United Nations as a world-wide forum.

Nothing would be lost from such an undertaking because if the people of any of the democracies decided to acquiesce in a communist take-over, it could be prevented by an international organization.

(further information on the Atlantic Union Committee can be obtained at the BEACON office.)

REGENERATION OF STUDENT POLICIES

A recent I. P. release reveals a tentative plan at the University of Miami to instruct students in the purpose and functions of student government. The plan is to supplement the education taught by the government department in a way that all students may be acquainted with student polities.

The gist of the plan is to make students aware of the educational background provided by participation in student polities.

Perhaps we at Wilkes could benefit by a similar plan. A plan such as this would undoubtedly benefit the student body, which would in turn benefit our college.

If our students had a broader knowledge of student government activities perhaps more enthusiasm could be elicited to wards building a more competent student governing body.

As it stands now the students at Wilkes have very little interest in our Student Council. Maybe more information on the subject would instill new interest in an organization which should be of primary importance to every student.

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TWO WILKES SOCCERITES AWARDED LETTERS

By PAUL B. BEERS

Recently, soccer coach Bob Partidge announced that he awarded letters to twelve deserving members of the first Wilkes soccer team. He made it clear that a letter for soccer isn’t a�首席, but one that demands much hard work and plenty of fight.

In Wilkes’ first year of soccer Bob gave letters to all the graduating seniors, but not to returning freshmen and sophomores who will have an opportunity to collect theirs in future seasons.

Big, loose-limbed Charley Jackson added to his collection of letters by defending the Colonial goal throughout the season. Keith Rhamsen, Charlie Stecker, Captain Goy Kovich, Tom Kibbick, Ryan Lounsbury, Bruce Mach and Ed Wheatley all received their “W’s” for their fine backfield play. Linemen Bob Hooper, Sam Owens and Jerry Wyse all collected for their head-up play up front. All three of the linemen started from scratch at the beginning of the season, but they developed fast enough to earn letters. Last but not least, Marty “Sitting Bull” Blake squeezed out a letter for playing the part as manager of the soccer team.

With six departing seniors, the soccer team is in need of some able-bodied men for the 1960 season. Coach Partidge is looking forward to the day when the good freshmen will ripen, but even so, he would like to have on the team the ability to form a good squad.

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ENNIS REPORTS LOCAL DINER TO BEACON: ALFANO ENLIGHTENED; OTHER NONSENSE

By CHUCK GLOMAN

Now that the Christmas holidays are here again I’m reminded of the time when Howard “Skinny” Ennis was eating at a local restaurant during the holidays last year. The Special of the Day was a roast pig. When the waiter brought the pig on a platter, it had an apple in its mouth.

Skinny turned to the waiter and yelled: “Boy! What a brutal bunch of people you have here!”

The waiter, with a rueful amendment at Skinny and asked, “What makes you think we’re brutal?”

“Look at the poor thing,” he yelled. “Ya killed it before it could finish eating its apple!”

Wife: “Do you know what day it is? Just 36 years ago we became engaged!”

Absent-minded professor: “Why didn’t you remind me before? I’m just 23. It’s high time that we got married.”

At Christmas time, every girl wants her past forgotten and her present remembered.

At a recent court trial, one of the Wilkes freshmen, Allen Gery, was being questioned very specifically about a shooting which he had witnessed.

The lawyer asked him, “Mr. Gery, just how far were you from the defendant when the fatal shot was fired?”

“Four yards, two feet, and 6 1/2 inches”, was the reply.

“How can you be so exact!” the lawyer questioned.

“I thought some fool or other would ask me so I measured it!” he answered.

Before a fellow can print a kiss on a girl’s lips he has got to be her type or she won’t go to press.

At the end of last semester, Dr. Davies told his world lit class: “I’m going to allow you to do your final examinations at home, and will try and have you to remember it that it is difficult and cheat and live with yourself!”

The next morning, the paper of one of the students was better perfect. At the bottom of the page was the explanation.

“Dear Dr. Davies: I find I can cheat and live with myself better than I can flunk and live with my father.”

Byron Lingertz: “You know, it certainly is wonderful how moving pictures have advanced these past few years.

Andy Evans: “What do you mean?”

Byron: “Well, first there were the silent pictures, then there were the talkies, and now this one actually.”

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