

# THE BREEZE

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## "We Wish You A Merry Christmas



"O holy night, the stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining. Till he appeared, and the soul felt its worth." These are familiar words that carolers will be singing in remembrance of the night long ago when Jesus was born. May all hearts realize the meaning of these and other words which carols express.

As Christmas draws near, we turn our eyes and hearts toward the greatest promise of the past. We sing the songs and view the pageantry of the yuletide season. The

sight of the manger scene or an early dawn snow on the crest of the hill moves our hearts.

The happiness and wonderful spirit which pervades the air during the Christmas season is of a type that is felt at no other time of the year. It should be our heartfelt prayer that "Peace on earth, good will toward men" which we sing with our lips, will be echoed in our hearts, and practiced in our lives."

## And A Happy New Year"



## Friday Chapel

Do you ever get the feeling that you could care less about college and studies? Certainly this is not unusual, but this attitude can get one down.

Yet, there is a way to overcome this depression, a way which is open to each individual here on campus. Friday chapel sponsored by the Y.W.C.A. is held every Friday at 12 noon. This entitles everyone of any denomination a chance to welcome the inspiration received from a few quiet minutes away from the busy life of a student, and to pray and feel one's worries diminish.

This is as easy and as helpful as it sounds. Why not attend Friday chapel and see for yourself?

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## Socrates Speaks

"Whom, then, do I call educated?"

"First, those who manage well the circumstances which they encounter day by day and who possess a judgment which is accurate in meeting occasions as they arise, and rarely miss the expedient course of action.

"Next, those who are decent and honorable in their intercourse with all men, bearing easily and good naturedly what is unpleasant and offensive in others, and being themselves as agreeable and reasonable to their associates as is humanly possible to be; furthermore, those who hold their pleasures always under control, and are not unduly overcome by their misfortunes, bearing up under them bravely and a manner worthy of our common nature.

"Finally, and most important of all, those who are not spoiled by their successes, and do not desert their true selves, but hold their ground steadfastly as wise and sober men, rejoicing no more in the good things which have come to them through chance, than in those which through their own nature and intelligence are theirs since birth. Those who have a character which is in accord not with one of these things but with all of them, these I maintain are educated and whole men, possessed of all virtues of a man."

## Christmas At Madison

Christmas is a topic about which many have expressed their beliefs and ideas, but no one can say that Christmas is one certain thing, because it has a different meaning to everyone.

There is one thought that should dominate all our other ideas of Christmas—it is the birthday of our Saviour.

The main thought in all students minds now is the fact that Christmas means vacation and home, but the campus has been showing wonderful Christmas spirit.

Various organizations have planned parties and have collected gifts for children and families for whom Christmas would otherwise be meaningless.

Students have contributed their money to help people all over the country in their fight against tuberculosis. In this way they are spreading the love and goodwill of Christmas to thousands.

The dormitories gaily proclaim the happiness of Christmas. If any of you have not seen the decorations, a quick tour of campus will give your spirits a boost.

These are all a part of Christmas on the Madison campus. As is the annual Christmas dance, the Y.M.C.A.-Y.W.C.A. pageant, and the twinkle in the eye of everyone you meet. Be sure to take a part of this spirit with you on vacation, and may you find your own special meaning of Christmas.

## Letter To Editor

To The Editor:

We, who attend Sunday vespers, wish to express our thoughts concerning the incongruities of opinions concerning informal worship services on campus. Four or more times a year, organizations or individuals make contributions to establish a place for campus religious worship; yet—it is impossible to find more than one room on campus which is available for students to use for this purpose on Sunday.

We wonder why, if these rooms are used in good faith by responsible people, so much disturbance is caused among the faculty. To cite an example: This past Sunday, upon finding the designated room for Sunday vespers locked, rather than to turn away forty interested persons, we occupied the only other available room in Harrison. Upon leaving the meditative service, a member of the faculty expressed disapproval in such a manner that greatly distorted the inspiration obtained from the worship. Can such attitudes as these promote religious experiences necessary to make the building of a chapel meaningful to the students?

Margaret Hart  
Norma Jean Abbott  
Martha Jones

## "Steering" Committee To Handle Problems

A "steering" committee has been formed by the Freshman Class. It is an effort to eliminate needless confusion at the mass meetings of the class. This committee will handle functions and minor problems of the class. Important items will, of course, be presented to the class for discussion and vote.

This committee is composed of the class officers and the presidents and vice-presidents of each freshman dormitory. Members are Eleanor Stockdale, Harriet Amburn, Mary Stuart Jenkins, Sue Robertson, Evie Jenkins, and Nancy Lee. In addition, the following girls represent their respective dorms: Spotswood—Carol Kiniry, Barbara Richards, and Faye Ware; Jackson—Betty Dodson, Jane Hubbard, and Sharon Mahanes; Johnston—Joanne Holland, Judy Twig, and Judy Monger; Ashby—Linda Cangalosi, Linda Terry, and Diane Sykes; Sheldon—Martha Dunington, Carol Atkinson, and Niki Tripolos, and Cleveland—Virginia Phillips, Barbara Slate, and Jackie Clark.

It is hoped that this executive committee will eliminate the waste of time caused by excessive confusion at mass meetings. The steering committee is the solution for this problem.

## The Beautiful Christmas Joy

by Susan Ritchie

"But everyone gets presents at Christmas."  
Said the curly headed boy.  
"My child, you must remember Christmas is More than just a toy."

The mother's head was slightly bent  
Her voice was tired and weary.  
But to deceive the little child  
She tried to keep it cheery.

Sleep came soon to soothe the woes of  
a toddler's world  
As in his mother's arms  
He right and trusting curled.

The room was cold and bare and bleak  
The fire was burning low  
Out in the dark, a gentle step;  
A crunch upon the snow.

No earthly noise to wake  
The soundly sleeping pair.  
As in the silence  
A gift was given there.

In the morn the boy would wake  
To find his shiny toy,  
And the mother would know  
The Beautiful Christmas joy.

## European Tour

Students who intend to take the European Tour offered by Marsh Tours should make arrangements to register for it early in January with Dean Wilkins. The first registrant at Madison is Carol Phipps, a junior.

## Sigma Alpha Iota Initiates Members

On Saturday, December 12, 1959, Gamma Iota Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota will initiate new members. They are Crystal Diehl, voice major; Jo Lemon, piano major; Mary Ellen Keith, piano major; Mary McFarland, voice major; Mary Frances Townsend, French horn major; and Pat Golladay, piano major.

Sigma Alpha Iota is a professional fraternity for women in the field of music. Some of the purposes of the fraternity are to further the development of music in America, uphold the highest ideals of musical education, and to raise the standards of productive musical work among the women students of colleges, conservatories, and universities.

There are 119 college chapters of Sigma Alpha Iota of which Madison's chapter, Gamma Iota, was the 114th chapter to be installed. There are 80 alumnae chapters and 459 honorary members, some of whom are Marian Anderson, Kirsten Flagstad, Patrice Munsel, and Rise Stevens.

## Freshman Named National Winner

Miss Nancy Lee, freshman at Madison College, was named as one of the six national winners in food preparation at the National 4-H Club Congress held in Chicago, Illinois, November 29 through December 5. Nancy, the daughter of Colonel W. A. Lee of Quantico, was awarded a \$400 scholarship sponsored by Betty Crocker of General Mills. The contest was judged on the basis of the record book that each contestant submitted. In past years Nancy has been quite active in the 4-H club as she has held the office of president of the 4-H honor club in her county, as well as treasurer of her 4-H county council. At present, she serves as leader of a newly organized 4-H club. Cooking all the meals at her home for her father and younger sister has provided Nancy with much experience in the art of food preparation.

Harriett Goode, Tae Smith, Winifred Lee, and Carolyn Morrison were the four other Madison students who received this all-expense-paid trip to Chicago. Receiving the trip was the result of their record books being judged winners in the state contest.

While at the congress, the girls were given the opportunity to talk to 4-H'ers from all over the world. They also heard a report from the United States' exhibition in Russia and were given a tour of Chicago. In addition, the delegates to the convention were entertained by such celebrities as the Kingston Trio, Herb Shriner, Roger Williams, Pat Boone, and the Perdue University Glee Club.



## Madison Men Speak

Ralph Crabill

At Wednesday assembly, Dec. 2, we had as speaker, Minister F. S. Chu of the Republic of China. He spoke to us on the serious subject of "The Importance of a Free China." While Minister Chu was quoting the losses that the Chinese had suffered under the Red regime, there came over the public address system (along with his voice) the song "Heartaches By The Number." This unscheduled background music has been traced to the public address system picking up radio waves, and not the men's day room radio as some may have suspected.

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## Sport Notes

The Madison Dukes started practice sessions Monday night. Coach Ward Long's men open the basketball season at Bridgewater College on Jan. 6. Come out and support the team!

A basketball player to watch: Legs flying, arms flailing, Wilt Chamberlain has finally descended on the National Basketball Association. At the present time he has about a 36-point average.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## Frances Sale Plans Christmas Party

The Frances Sale Home Economics Club will have its annual Christmas party on December 15, at 4:45 p.m. in the Home Management House. The party is given to help make the Christmas season merry for three less fortunate children of the community. They will be guests of honor at the party and club members will bring gifts for the children as well as donations for a food basket which will be given to their family.

## Sigma Phi Lambda Holds Annual Tea

Sigma Phi Lambda, an honorary fraternity, had its annual freshman tea from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 10 in Wayland reception room. Freshmen who had been in the upper ten percentile of their high school graduation class were invited to attend.

Approximately 80 freshmen attended. The purpose of the tea was to introduce the new students to the organization, the officers, and the adviser, Dr. Bessie Richardson.

## CLUB CORNER

As the last week of school before Christmas vacation is well under way, many campus organizations have held and are planning jubilant parties.

The Future Business Leaders of America held a social Wednesday night in Alumni for their members. Christmas games and stories were the entertainment. Refreshments were served.

The German club will hold an open house affair Tuesday, December 15, in Alumni at 9:00. Mary Hope Stowers is in charge of the preparations. Also, the new German club treasurer and business manager are Sara Chinn and Alice diZerega, respectively.

The Le Cercle Francais, El Club Espanol and Alpha Rho Delta had a combined party Thursday night at 8:00 in Alumni. About forty people attended including Dr. Margaret Woelfel, sponsor of the Le Cercle Francais and Mrs. W. Elliott Wilkins.

The program consisted of singing. Dick Barnes sang a Christmas carol in Latin, Betsy Goodman sang one in German and Venny Drates sang a carol in French. Barbara Newby, vice president of the Latin Club, gave the introduction to each carol which was then sung by the group. The foreign students on campus told how the yuletide is celebrated in their country.

The Curie Science Club is planning to take a trip to the big radar tele-

scope project in Green Banks, West Virginia, January 9, 1960.

The Y.M.C.A. is purchasing Christmas gifts for underprivileged children of the Harrisonburg area. Clothing and toys will be given the City Welfare Department for distribution to the most needy children.

This week new members taken into the Stratford Players were Peggy Sealar, Dick Bly, Sam Outen, Venny Drates, Larry Armentrout, and Ronnie Taylor.

The club also held its annual Christmas and initiation party on Friday night, December 11.

## Out Of State Students

Attention out of state students! You will receive in your P. O. Box a magazine entitled Virginias, Scenic History Land, put out by the Virginia Travel Council. This is for you to take home.

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# Sixteen Seniors Elected To Who's Who

## Students Achieve Recognition For Scholarship, Leadership, Cooperation

In recognition of their outstanding scholarship, leadership, and cooperation in educational and extra-curricular activities, these sixteen seniors were selected by a committee of students and faculty members to represent Madison College in the 1959-60 edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

This is a highly coveted college award and these students gain recognition which will accompany them throughout their lives in any profession they may choose. These seniors indeed deserve this great honor.



Dick Barnes

Dick Barnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barnes of Portsmouth is a member of the Madrigals, Y.M.C.A., Stratford Players, Alpha Rho Delta, Kappa Delta Pi, Sigma Phi Lambda, Student Faculty Relations Committee, President of the Concert Orchestra, and President of Sigma Delta Rho.



Berta Biritos

Berta Biritos is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo R. Biritos of Remington. Berta has been a member of Honor Council for four years and is now serving as president. She is a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority and a senior counselor.



Suzanne Cale

Suzanne Cale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Cale of Crozet is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, Sigma Phi Lambda, Math club, Y.W.C.A., Student Faculty Relations Committee, S.E.A. member at large, Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority, and is now president of the Student Government Association.

Elizabeth Dawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dawson of Scots-in Wayland reception room.



Elizabeth Dawson

Elizabeth Dawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dawson of Scots-in Wayland, is a member of FBLA, Westminster Fellowship, Alpha Gamma Delta fraternity, and is now Editor-in-chief of the Schoolma'am.



Jackie Jeffress

Jackie Jeffress is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jeffress of Culpeper. Her activities have included the French Club, Cotillion Dance club, Alpha Sigma Tau social sorority, senior counselor, and she is now serving as vice-president of the Student Government Association.



Alice Harris

Alice Harris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harris of South Hill. She is a member of ACE, German club, Kappa Delta Pi, Kappa Pi. She has served as a representative to the Honor Council and is now serving as president of the Y.W.C.A.

### Attention Seniors

All announcements for graduation must be ordered by January 14. This will be the only order sent off, so if announcements are desired, please see Audra Bean or Beth Harwley in Wayland 118. If any of you know of a student teacher who wants announcements notify them of the deadline so that they may get their orders in. All men students may order announcements from Audra or Beth on January 5, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Mrs. Joan Bennett Jones

Mrs. Joan Bennett Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie S. Bennett of Salisbury, Maryland, is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, Pi Omega Pi, Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority, and is now vice-president of the Honor Council.



Marilyn Miller

Marilyn Miller is the daughter of Mrs. Bessie Miller of Portsmouth. Her activities include the French Club, Kappa Delta Pi, Sigma Phi Lambda, Business Manager of Stratford Players, President of Alpha Sigma Tau social sorority, and assistant director of senior class night.



Nancy Moore

Nancy C. Moore, daughter of Mr. James Moore, of Richmond, Virginia is past president of the Canterbury club, chaplain for Alpha Sigma Alpha, member of Curie Science Club, Editor of FRESHMEN PEN, summer school Honor Council, and reporter of Sophomore Class.



Faye Morgan

## Writing Contest Open To All

The Chrysalis staff invites all Madison students to participate in the annual creative writing contest which will be held January 4-February 15. Original prose in the essay, short story, novel (excerpt), critique, and drama forms, and poetry in both the traditional and free forms will be welcomed. Manuscripts, typewritten on 8" by 11" paper should be submitted to Judy Roberts, Box 507.

Further details will be published early in January.

Faye Morgan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morgan of Roanoke. She is a member of Alpha Rho Delta, Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority, treasurer of student government, and has been a member of the BREEZE staff, secretary of the Freshman Class, and reporter of the Junior Class.



Carolyn Nicholson

Carolyn Nicholson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson of Trip-let. She is a member of Sigma Phi Lambda, Panhellenic Council, Math Club, Chairman of Standards, German Club, YWCA, and Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity.



Verl Ann Owens

Verl Ann Owens is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Owens of Pulaski. She is Senior Class Secretary, member of A.A., vice-president of Recreation Council, and president of Mercury Club. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity.



Ellen Raines

Ellen Raines is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Raines of Keezletown. She was secretary of the Junior Class, and a member of the student-faculty relations committee; and she is now a member of Pi Omega Pi, Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority, and Editor-in-chief of the BREEZE.

## Fraternity Lists Its Sweetheart Candidates

Sweetheart of Sigma Delta Rho, the men's fraternity on campus, will be announced at the Christmas Dance, "Happy Holly Days", on Saturday night, December 12, at the conclusion of the Panhellenic figure.

The following girls are candidates for Sweetheart of Sigma Delta Rho: Anne Murphy, Alpha Sigma Tau; Mary Janet Wenger, Alpha Gamma Delta; Betty Pratt Simmerman, Alpha Sigma Alpha; Ruth Hammer, Phi Mu; Sheryl Cardin, Kappa Sigma; Suzanne Cale, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Cynthia Couble, Zeta Tau Alpha. Those listed above are candidates from the sororities.

The candidates from the campus organizations are as follows: Nancy Carolyn Moore, Curie Science club; Cathy Tomlinson, Association for Childhood Education; Audra Bean, F.B.L.A.; Betsy Goodman, Concert Choir; Suzanne Snedegar, German club, El Club Espanol; Sally Best, Sigma Phi Lambda; Linda Craig, Ex Libris club; and Carol Suffridge, Y.M.C.A.



Ann Shotwell

Ann Shotwell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Shotwell of Criglersville. Activities include, Sigma Phi Lambda, Mercury Club, Student Council, Secretary of Sophomore Class, Junior Class Night director, Senior Class President, and member of Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority.



Suzanne Snedegar

Suzanne Snedegar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Snedegar of Roanoke, is a member of Student Faculty Relations Committee, SEA President, Honor Council, Panhellenic Council, Kappa Delta Pi, Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority, and is a senior counselor.



Elbert Strickler

Elbert Strickler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Strickler, of Luray, is president of Stratford Players, president of YMCA, and a member of Pi Omega Pi, SGO, Sigma Phi Lambda, Madrigal Singers, Sigma Delta Rho, Student Court, Honor Council, Drama Club, and Wesley Foundation.



## Pi Omega Pi Has Christmas Project

A Christmas tree has been added to the basement of the library. Under this tree are gifts for underprivileged children. These gifts represent the project of Pi Omega Pi, honorary fraternity, for business education majors.

A child looks forward to Christmas with great expectations. Through this project, Pi Omega Pi hopes to realize these expectations for many boys and girls who, without the kindness of others, would have no toys waiting to greet them on Christmas morning.

Would you like to play a part in this project? You won't have to don Santa's suit — only his spirit. A small toy, a ten-cent book, or even a jar of bubble joy will mean a lot to a particular child, and you could be that child's Santa Claus.

Pi Omega Pi has centered the project around young children, but it is hoped that the older children will not be forgotten. Any object no longer being used — a sweater, jewelry, or scarf — will be an ideal Christmas gift for someone.

As the gifts under the tree increase, will yours be among them?

### LITTLE REFUGEES

by Anne Nestor

Three little boys were shabby and cold;  
But Jesus was too, so they were told.

They slept on the floor as there was no bed;  
But then, Jesus used hay to lay his head.

From a fire for warmth came forth their light,  
But that's how He warmed himself that night.

Kneeling down they gave thanks to him—  
A baby king, poor and humble, just like them.

## O'er Bethlehem

by Sandy Lee Sparks

A quiet lay o'er Bethlehem,  
A peace presided near and far.  
When shepherds, tending flocks of sheep

Gazed at a new and wondrous star.

The heavens shone,  
And from the sky an angel did appear  
To bid the wondering shepherds  
A rest from all their fear.

Three wise men, too, had seen the star,  
And travelled o'er the plain by day  
To see the humble dwelling,  
And the Christ child where He lay.

The shepherds found a stable bare  
The floor was strewn with hay.  
By His manger the three did kneel  
To be with Him and pray.

The wise men gave their precious gifts  
They praised and blessed Him too.  
For He was their salvation,  
And this the wise men knew.

The angels lulled Him fast to sleep.  
They hushed the cow and lamb,  
And once more lay the quiet  
Surrounding Bethlehem.

## Happy Holly Days Theme Of Dance

Tomorrow night in Reed Hall from eight to twelve will be the scene of the Christmas Panhellenic Dance entitled "Happy Holly Days."

Larry Bohnert will be playing with Bill Vince's Orchestra, which played here last year and has become quite popular in Washington.

There will be an extra special feature in the decorations which will be quite different from anything used before. Hint: The band will surely be playing high.

Tickets will be sold at the door at the cost of \$4 per couple. The jazz concert from four to five is included in the purchase of a ticket for the dance.

Students are reminded of the new rule that they may leave the dance at any time but must remain in one of the dating centers on campus.

## Meaning Of Varied Christmas Symbols

Sweet smelling evergreens, candles lighting the peaceful night, friends, gifts, church bells, and carols in the air—this is Christmas in America.

Ours is a Christmas unlike that in any other land, but at the same time like the festivities in many lands.

Maybe if we knew a little more about the background of this seasonal holiday the symbols of Christmas would have more meaning.

The "Merry" in Merry Christmas is about 1440 years old. Before that, the birth of Christ was entirely a spiritual affair.

Evergreens, the most striking feature of the season have stood for the blessing of eternal life. Our use of holly dates back to ancient Rome. Holly was considered as the burning bush, a symbol of Mary. Red berries represented the blood of Christ.

Mistletoe, named by Virgil, "The Golden Branch," is symbolic of the healing Power of God.

Candles were mentioned in the Old Testament as being the symbol of spiritual light. Many countries use candles as a symbol of Faith at yuletide. Spaniards place them over the doorway; Swedes wear them in a cuilet on their head on their feast day; Bulgarians take a lighted candle and awaken the animals on Christmas Eve; and we, as Americans, welcome in the season with candles aglow in home and church.

Although the first use of a Christmas tree took place many years ago, Martin Luther was the first to use a tree decorated with candles to symbolize the glorious heavens he had observed on Christmas. Now, our lavishly decorated trees are the high spot of symbolism.

Santa Claus, a derivative of St. Nicholas, from the 14th century, greeting cards, dating back to Queen Victoria's time, poinsettias, firecrackers, Christmas seals, carols, bells, the yule log, and gifts are all part of our glorious heritage of ages past.

All of these symbols are full of meaning with a deep religious significance. They make our Christmas a distinctive memorial to the birth of Christ, the greatest symbol of all, the symbol of the great love of God for all mankind.

## A Christmas Prayer

by Ann Townsend

Our Heavenly Father  
We thank Thee for the blessings of this day and for Thy guidance through the year.

We pray that we may accept the challenge that is ours for Thy work and witness.

For the most important time of Giving Thanks for the Greatest Gift is drawing near.

May the True meaning of Christmas dwell in our hearts forever, never to be lost in the tinsel and trimming of a superfluous santa and a store and sidewalk celebration of a Savior who was born to show us salvation and lead us into life eternal. Thank Thee, Father, for Thy Son.

May we remember with truly humble hearts how Thou would want our thanks shown; through the sharing of Thy great message — even to the near-by neighbor with "not very much".

Oh, Father, may the now well known X in Xmas not mark the unknown. That all may know and remember the Christ of Christmas.

In His name and for His sake.  
Amen

## Up On The House Top

by Sandra Hepp

Up on the housetop reindeer pant  
Santa'd come down but he knows he can't

His tummy's too big for the space he's got

A calorie counter, he is not.

His pack's full of sables, Cadillac cars,  
Lots of money and movie stars,  
But what's the gift under my tree?

Zorro suspenders and a wooden knee!

'Leben or ten reindeer snort and spout  
Rudolph couldn't make it cause his nose burnt out.

Thirteen tiny elves help unload the toys

Better not get caught cause twelve are boys!

## Wednesday's Christmas Pageant Shows Two Christmas Stories



The Christmas pageant Nativity scene pictures l. to r.; angels, H. Gross, S. Snedegar, and N. Moore; Madonna, B. Biritos; and Joseph, Gene Pfoutz.

A most impressive Christmas pageant was presented by the YWCA in conjunction with the Orchesis, the Orchestra and the Madrigals, to hail the arrival of the festive holiday season.

The program began with "Around the Christmas Tree", portraying an early morning scene. A very special doll came to life and watched two kittens attempting to become poised in the best

feline manner. Then four lead soldiers caught her eye as they went through one of their precision drills. The very special doll desired to teach them to move in her graceful manner but soon gave up the effort and joined the soldiers in their marching. After the lead soldiers wound down the doll heard carolers singing outside. Four of the carolers gleefully entertained the doll with a spirited dance. The carolers continued to sing familiar carols as they moved on down the street.

The doll then noticed several strange creatures in masks going through a weird routine around the Christmas tree. She was certainly relieved when some of the happy village lasses came to admire all of the presents under the tree. Christmas Day was drawing near and the doll,

bubbling with happiness, danced again. At the strike of twelve the very special doll wound down and returned to her place with all of the gifts to await the smiling face of the little girl who would find her on Christmas morning.

The second portion of the pageant was of a more serious nature. As the curtain opened the Madonna, Berta Biritos, was being told by the first angel, Suzanne Snedegar, of the coming birth. After a brief blackout, the shepherds in the hills around Bethlehem began to dance. Then the wise men seeing the star followed it and brought gifts to the Christ Child. Then the nativity scene was staged with the scripture being read.

The last scene included the dancers and singers and the Holy Family being told by the first angel to flee.

O Thou Joyful Day vacation has come. I'll soon Deck The Halls and dance In a Winter Wonderland to the Jingle Bell Rock. I can hardly wait to Be Home For Christmas to see the Holly and the Ivy, hear the Silver Bells and be a part of the hustle and bustle of Christmas.

It is a Silent Night when Santa Claus Is Coming To Town Upon a Midnight Clear with a sled full of toys. What Child Is This that doesn't want a T-Bird with Jingle Bells under his Christmas tree?

When I awake on Christmas morning I hope to see that Susie Snowflake has made my dream of a White Christmas come true. It won't be a Blue Christmas after all. The carolers could be heard singing in the distance God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen and We Wish You a Merry Christmas. O Joy To The World vacation is here!

Celia Oxman  
Barbara Berzinec

## Countries Celebrate Varied Christmases

by Venny Drates

An inspirational reconstruction of the Manger Scene, Santa Claus, our jolly visitor from the North Pole with his "miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer", the beautifully adorned Christmas tree which adds much color and light to homes everywhere, the goodies and presents which are received on Christmas Day — these are all characteristic of Christmas in America. But, how is the season of Christmas celebrated in other countries?

In Denmark, on December 24th, the families congregate at the Lutheran churches at 5:00 P.M. for a special service. Following this, a large family feast consisting of soup, chicken, and a dessert made from rice is enjoyed by all. Then comes the merry-making! The family dances around the decorated Christmas tree singing the traditional Danish carols and the presents are distributed. If there are small children in the household, one member of the family dresses as Santa Claus and gives out the gifts.

Characteristic of the Danish Christmas is the "Wieth", a kind of bread made from grain on which four candles are placed, each standing for every Sunday in the month of December. With the coming of each Sunday of the month, a ceremony takes place in which the entire family lights one of the candles on the "Wieth" and sings a Christmas song.

An interesting custom is the one practiced in Yugoslavia. A table is prepared on Christmas Eve on which a sum of money and a straw cross are placed underneath the tablecloth. A lighted candle is then placed directly over the spot where the money and the straw cross are lying underneath the tablecloth. This candle is kept

## Business Students Extended Invitation

Beta Nu Chapter of Pi Omega Pi will serve refreshments in the basement of the library on Tuesday, December 15. All business students are invited to visit any time during the day and join in the Christmas spirit.

burning throughout Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

The Yugoslavs bake a special kind of cake for their Christmas season; the figure of Christ, two doves, and a barrel are structured on top of the cake.

A warm and sunny climate characterizes the Christmas season in Argentina. Because the population is largely Catholic, the Midnight Mass is attended on Christmas Eve and is the highlight of the Christmas season. "Papa Noel" is the name of their Santa Claus who resembles ours in appearance and dress.

## Christmas Sales Campaign Starts On Madison Campus



Carol Almond, right, is shown explaining to Barbara Holliday the goal of the sale of Tuberculosis seals. The goal is \$175.

A campaign to raise funds for tuberculosis is being staged on campus.

The pledges of Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority are selling Christmas seals in a door to door canvass. The proceeds of these seals are used to fight the war with tuberculosis.

One hundred and seventy five dollars has been established as the goal this year. One of the canvassers stated that this goal could be reached with the cooperation of the student body.

A report of each dormitory's contribution is listed below; however, not all dorms or houses have been visited yet.

Logan — \$5.80, Converse — \$5.50, Jackson — \$2.47, Ashby — \$10.90, Home Management — \$1.35, Cleveland — \$9.26, Sheldon — \$9.50, Spotswood — \$9.4, Gifford — \$5.30, and Sprinkle House — \$1.39.

If each student will contribute only ten cents, the goal of one hundred and seventy-five dollars will be reached without difficulty. A larger contribution will of course help reach the goal much quicker.

When you purchase Christmas seals, you are purchasing not mere bits of paper but a symbol of a battle being fought today — a battle that could possibly effect you or your loved ones some day. Fight now! RING THE BELL ON T.B.



## There Must Be Something Special

"There must be something special about this time of year. I wish someone would tell me why. People forget all the trials and woes of the day. And have such a glow in their eye."

These words were uttered by old Charlie (No one seemed to know his last name. In fact not much was known about Charlie. Except that he was old and lame.)

He lived down the street in a big old house. Alone as far as anyone knew. He scowled and frowned on everyone around. And subsequently his friends were few.

Today Charlie sat by his window. Looking out as the people passed by. They scurried and hurried hither and to. Their arms filled with bundles piled high.

Charlie grunted with disgust at such carrying on. "People out on a day like today!" It was snowing and a north wind was blowing. He pulled the shade and turned away.

He could still hear the tinkle of bells from afar. And now and then a song bright and gay. The world outside was aglow with joy, But Charlie reflected none of its ray.

Finally when he could stand it no longer. He reached for his overcoat and cane, He would find out for himself what was going on, Or if the whole world was insane.

As Charlie lumbered along down the street. Everyone he met smiled and spoke. He thought to himself, "I didn't know I lived among such friendly folk."

Charlie came upon a group of children. Romping around in the snow. He said to one, "Tell me, sonny, Why are you laughing so?"

The child looked up at the puzzled old man. His eyes were puzzled too. "Why mister, aren't you happy? Won't tomorrow be Christmas for you too?"

## Early To Bed Is Not The Answer

Have you ever said this? If you have and have attempted to carry out this plan, you know how impossible it is. According to the rules of good health a person should get eight hours of sleep every night. In order to do this, and to make it to breakfast (the most important meal of the day), one must go to bed at 10:55 and wake up at 6:55. For the freshmen this plan might not be too difficult to carry out because they must have lights out by 11:00 P.M., but for upperclassmen, who burn the midnight oil, getting to bed early is a cruel joke.

The one night you try it, there's a fire drill. You try to sleep through it but someone slaps a coat on you and shoves you down the stairs and out into the cold night. If this is not the case, your hall monitor takes roll check and turns the light on to make certain you are there, or you get visitors who want to chat or get the answer to some problem.

The solution to the problem—don't even consider the idea or you will surely upset your state of equilibrium. Get used to those bags under your eyes!

## Prospective Students Should Sign Tour List

Anyone who hopes to go on the Bermuda Tour should put her name on the prospective list of tour members. There are a number of inquiries from alumnae who will be welcome members of the group. However, in order for any student who wants to go not to avoid disappointment tentative registration is advisable. Accommodations are assigned in the order in which applications are received, as stated in the Marsh Tours information sheet.

It appears that it will be possible to fly round trip between Valley Airport, Weyers Cave, and Washington. This will be of great advantage as the chances are that we shall fly to Idlewild from Washington and get to Bermuda earlier than formerly.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Life's Like That

The freshman girl so shy and coy looks admiringly on the sophomore boy;

The sophomore boy with his blond little curl dreams of dates with the junior girl;

The junior girl with cheeks of tan boldly pursues the senior man;

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Penny Matthews

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## Sports Chat With Pat

by Pat Dean

Congratulations are in store for Linda Quist, fencing sports leader, for doing an excellent job with fencing intramurals. The season came to a close this past Tuesday with the finals of the tournament. First place honors went to Carol Almond with Cathy Hudson and Cherlee Botkin taking second and third place respectively. Although handicapped considerably by the lack of enough equipment the season was apparently a big success as a total of 50 girls participated in the fencing intramurals—twelve of which entered the tournament.

The Fencing Club held its first tryouts last Thursday night. Six of the eight who tried out were selected to become members of the club. Carol Almond, Annette Caudle, Bee Stockdale and Donna Wickham are the new members with Mickey Lackovitch and Charles Smith being accepted, as auxiliary members. Congratulations to all—

For those of you who couldn't believe your eyes last Saturday night — you weren't seeing things — they were really honest-to-goodness men! Through the efforts of Carole Mumpower, A.A. sports leader for Social Dance, and the co-operation of the administration, the importing of AMA seniors and post graduate students for intramural social dance has been approved. Eighty men and eighty Madison Freshmen girls learned the latest in dancing under the guidance of Carole last Saturday night.

By the way — the A.A. is having a hard time in believing its eyes also — a waiting list for an intramural activity???

Have a neat time over the holidays and until the next time remember—"It is a rough road that leads to the heights of greatness."

Seneca . . .

### Psychology Club Picks Senior As President

Kenneth Frank, a senior, was elected president of The Psychology club at the club's second meeting held in Alumni Hall on Friday night, December 4.

Other officers selected are as follows: Quita Arnold, vice-president; Carol Nelson, secretary-treasurer; and Doris Shillingburg, parliamentarian-reporter. Dr. Ben K. Patton is the adviser of the club.

Next year this club plans to become affiliated with Psi Chi, an honorary fraternity in psychology.

All those majoring or minoring in psychology and who have had at

### CALENDAR

- Dec. 12—4 p.m.—Concert in Reed Hall  
8 p.m.—Midnight — "Happy Holly Days"  
Dec. 13—ATTEND CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE  
1 p.m.—Vespers in music room Ruth Peebles will be the speaker. Music will be provided by Ruth Winthrop.  
Dec. 14—6 p.m.—Kid Party in dining halls  
Dec. 16—12 noon—Homeward bound

least six semester hours of psychology and are registered for three more hours are eligible to join the club.

### Basketball Schedule For Madison Dukes

- Wed. Jan. 6—Bridgewater College J.V.—Away  
Wed. Jan. 13—National Business College—Away  
Mon. Jan. 18—Shenandoah College —Away  
Sat. Feb. 6—National Business College—Home  
Mon. Feb. 8—Ferrum Jr. College —Away  
Thu. Feb. 11—Bridgewater College J.V.—Home  
Mon. Feb. 15—Shenandoah College —Home  
Mon. Feb. 22—Ferrum Jr. College —Home

### Y.W.C.A. Kid Party To Be December 14

Everyone is asked to place a gift under the Christmas tree in the dining hall Monday night December 14 for the YWCA's annual Kid Party.

Gifts from the party which will be held at 6:00 p.m., will be given to the city and county welfare departments for distribution to thirteen needy girls and five needy boys. Packages should be labeled 1. for a boy or for a girl 2. what age child the present is for, and 3. a brief description of the gift.

Children under ten years old have received most of the gifts in previous years, but this year girls from twelve to seventeen and boys from eleven to fifteen will receive them. It is suggested that several people go together to purchase gifts for older boys and girls.

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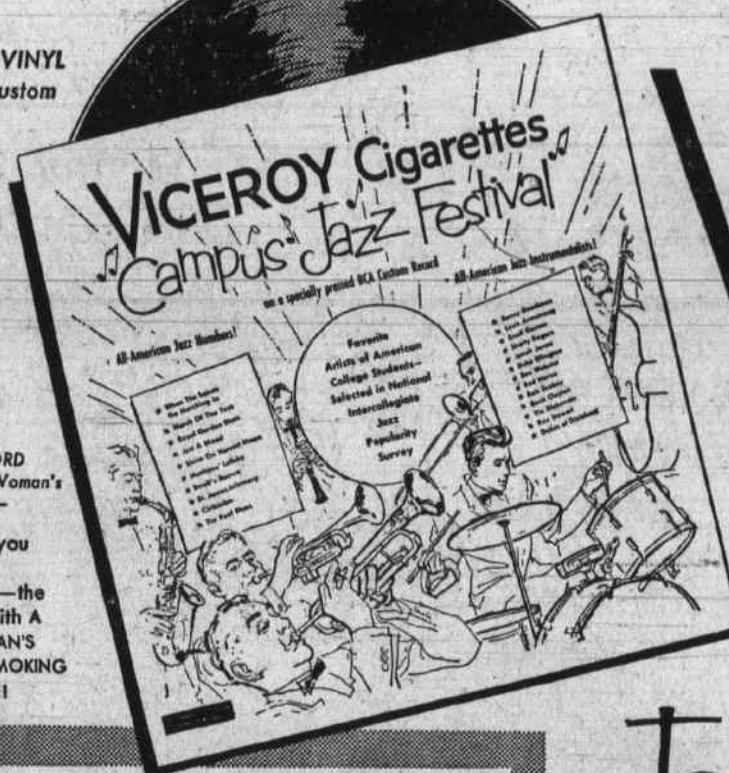
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