College Receives Membership In AAUW

That Frostburg State Teachers College has been admitted to membership in the American Association of University Women has been announced by R. Bowen Hardesty, president, recently at a dinner at the college.

Dr. Jean Brownlee, national chairman of the committee on higher education of AAUW, has notified the college that it has met all the requirements for membership and has been added to the approved list of colleges and universities throughout the country.

Criteria for eligibility include high academic standards, basic liberal education, adequate provisions for women, recognition of women in administration and on faculties, and intellectual freedom for teaching and administrative staffs.

Any degree given by an institution which meets these requirements for the degree insure a good background of liberal education outside the field of specialization, with an adequate distribution within the three large areas of learning—science, social sciences and humanities.

The AAUW privilege extends retroactively to all alumnae who have received degrees from Frostburg State Teachers College since the first degree was granted by the college in June 1935.

In order to meet the first of the five requirements, accreditation is necessary by the appropriate regional accrediting association of the institution, based on a comprehensive, over-all investigation and evaluation.

The basic liberal education requirements state that at least half of the student's four-year program shall be in liberal studies, including a one-year course in each of three areas. These are the natural sciences, social sciences and the humanities, the latter beyond the freshman course in English composition.

Adequate provision for women students states that the institution must be truly co-educational with equal educational opportunity for men and women. The college met this requirement in 1960 when a

third woman was hired to teach physical education.

The fourth criterion of recognition in administration and faculties was satisfied in September 1960 when a dean of women was added at the college.

FSTC met early approval of its academic freedom, a philosophy which was developed jointly through administrative and faculty discussion.

Application for admission to AAUW membership was first made by the college in May 1953 by Dr. Lillian C. Compton, who ws then president of the college. Since then, Hardesty has been working to meet the criteria set by AAUW.

Assisting him have been Dr. Hazel G. Ramsay, social studies instructor at the college; Dr. Alice C. Manicur, dean of students; Mrs. Joseph H. Kruson, president of the Frostburg-Georges Creek Branch of AAUW, and Miss Gertrude Williams and Mrs. Reford Aldridge, members of the local branch.

Guests at the dinner included Ivan C. Diehl, dean of instruction at the college; Mrs. Kruson; Mrs. Howard L. Tolson, president of the AAUW; Mrs. William F. Hessen, Oakland branch president; Mrs. Earl Nonnenmann, state chairman of finance; and Miss Mary E. Murray, state chairman of status of women.

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Religious Groups Plan Christmas Assembly

In commemoration of the Christmas season, the Interfaith Council will sponsor an assembly on Wednesday, December 13, at 2 p. m. in Compton Auditorium.

Fraternity Fair To Help Science

To encourage an interest in science and mathematics among the student body, Sigma Zeta, national science fraternity, is sponsoring a science fair from February 5-9.

Entries to the fair will be classified into three divisions: mathematics, physical, and biological sciences. Judging will be on the basis of creative ability, scientific thought, thoroughness, clarity and dramatic value, and technical skill.

Various industries in the area will be invited to present exhibits. Chairmen of the committee in charge of the industrial exhibits are Nancy Dietrich and Karen Crowley.

General chairman for the fair is Richard Shaffer. Committees in charge of judges, publicity and entries are headed by Gene Eagen, Alleene Trost, Jeanne Dussault, Mrs. Lenora Snyder, Gene Counihan, and Tom Jacobs.

Sigma Zeta officers are Janice Glime, president; Sherry Phillips, vice president; Janet Nelson, recording secretary; Jane Blake, corresponding secretary; Richard Shaffer, treasurer, and Donna Robertson, parliamentarian.

Resident Students To Give Yule Dance

An All-College Christmas Dance entitled "Dancer and Prancer" will be held on Saturday, December 9, from 8 to 12 at the Clary Club with music provided by the John Ritchey's orchestra, according to Miss Cleo Campbell and Mr. John Allison, advisors.

The Intra-Residence Hall Committee, sponsor of the Christmas Dance, has requested that each person attending the dance bring

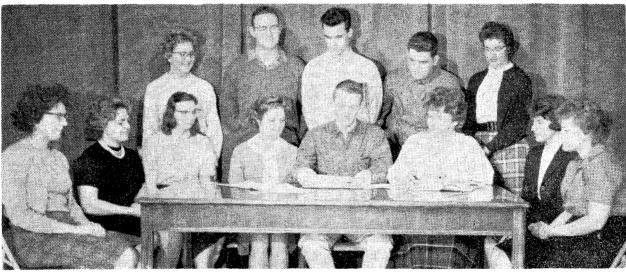
The toys are to be distributed between the Salvation Army and Mrs. George R. Pugh, of Frostburg, who is Christmas Chairman of the United Family Service of Frostburg. This organization is a part of the County United Fund.

The planning committee for the dance consists of the members of the Intra-Residence Hall Committee. The committee members are Laurel Bachetti, Ann Schwanebeck, Carolina Agnolutto, Carolyn Williams and John Nussear.

Other committees for dance include decorations, Mary Carol Reilly assisted by Sandy Satterthwaite, Libby Harris, and Mary Lee Gruver; favors, Ann Schwanebeck, assisted by Sally Sullivan, Jane Schwanebeck and Lynn Van Straten.

Invitations, chaperones and collection of the toys will be handled by Carolina Agnolutto and Carolyn Williams.

Heading the publicity committee is John Nussear assisted by Janice Krach, Mary Lee Callis, Pat Wenner, Bob Brannon, Bob Funk, Gary Knepper, Bob Weimer, Ken Smith, Gene Wood, and Charlie Adcock.



INTERFAITH COUNCIL — Members from the six religious groups on campus include (seated): Elizabeth Hilbinger, Linda Teets, Nancy Baker, Carol Miller, Lynn DeHart, Nancy Dietrich, Jeanne Dussault, Pat Wenner; (standing): Laurel Bachetti, Gary Trail, Wilbur Berry, Pat McCarty, and Pat King.

(Photo by Ken Smith)

Organist To Offer Modern Selections

Joseph E. Derry will present an organ recital of modern selections following the Christmas Tree lighting on Thursday evening, December 7, at 7:30 p. m. in Gunter Hall, under the auspices of the sophomore class.

Mr. Derry received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., and his Master of Education from Pennsylvania State University.

A resident of Meyersdale, Pa., Mr. Derry is an instructor in Music and instrumental work at Valley High School, Lonaconing, Md. He is also serving as organist-choir director of Amity United Church of Christ, Meyersdale.

In addition to his public school teaching he teaches organ and piano privately in Meyersdale and he has served as professional accompanist for Penn State University Chapel Choir, and the Chapel Choir European Tour.

To Student Body

During the past year members of the administration and faculty have been carrying on the task so well performed by the late Professor Lowell Sowers. This pleasant task consists of visiting high schools throughout the State, telling high school seniors and juniors and their parents about College and especially, F. S. T. C.

Many of you will be in contact with your former high school counselors and high school friends during the Christmas Holidays.

You can do a real service for your college and insure the future by joining those of us who have been out and by "spreading the good news" about F. S. T. C.

If you wish any material or literature to help you in making next year's and succeeding freshman classes outstanding, please feel free to see Miss Hitchins or myself. Merry Christmas! John Allison, Chairman, Guidance Committee.

Singers To Present Concert

Under the direction of Mr. Charles I. Sagers, the Madrigal and Maryland Singers will present a program of "Christmas Music" on Tuesday, December 12, at 8:15 p.m. in Compton Hall

A brass ensemble will open the program, after which the Maryland Singers will sing Martin Shaw's "Fanfare for Christmas." The instrumental ensembles are under the direction of

Community Concert To Feature Sibelius

On December 13 the College-Community Orchestra will present its Winter Concert in Compton Auditorium. The Department of Music has announced that the performance will begin at 8:15 p. m.

Mr. Howard Boyajian, director of the orchestra and a member of the College's Department of Music, has directed College and University-Community Orchestras at Alabama State College, Bucknell University and the University of New Hampshire.

He holds degrees from the Julliard School of Music and Oberlin Conservatory where he was a scholarship student. Further study includes the award of a Doctoral Teaching Fellowship at Boston University where he was concertmaster and assistant conductor of the symphony orchestra.

The program for the concert will include representative compositions by Lully, Cluck, Dvorak, Haydn. Sibelius and Beethoven.

The orchestra is in its first year as a part of the college's new music curriculum which provides for a degree in music education. The group is comprised not only of college students but also of interested members from surrounding communities.

At present community members from Frostburg, LaVale and Cumberland are participating performers. Weekly rehearsals of the group are held in Compton Auditorium from 7:30-10:00 p. m. on Wednesdays.

Dr. Ward K. Cole.
Following the processional,
Madeline Barr will read the
Christmas story from St. Luke 2:
1-20. The Maryland Singers will
then render "Masters In This

Hall" by Parker Shaw.

A ceremony of carols by Benjamin Britten will include "Wolcum Yoke," "There Is No Rose," "As Dew in Aprille" and "His Little Babe." Five of the singers will perform as soloists. They are Cassandra Seibert, Eleanor Deck, Jeannine Richardson, Patricia Linaburg, and Marsha Barclay. Eva Bourne and Cassandra Seibert will present a duet entitled "Spring Carol."

Benjamin Britten's "Deo Gracias" will be sung by the Women's Chorus accompanied by Julia Hendricks, after which Marsha Barclay, accompanied by Sandra Willetts, will sing "Sleep, My Jesus, Sleep."

"The Three Ships," by Colin Taylor, will be presented by the Madrigal Singers accompanied by Carole Bean. Julia Hendricks will play an organ offertory. This will provide the opportunity for those who wish to contribute to the Maryland and Madrigal Singers.

Following the offertory will be a dance by Samuel Huffer to "The Little Drummer Boy." Following this number will be "Gatatumba" arranged by W. F. Anderson with Anna Ruth Knepper at the piano. She will be accompanied by drums, clarinet, tambourine, maracas, sleigh bells, drum, guitar and the Maryland Singers. The postlude will be played by Julia Hendricks on the organ.

Student conductors for the program are Eva Bourne, Julia Hendricks and Samuel Huffer.

Guest speaker for the program will be Mr. Ben Gooding, vice president and general manager of Gooding General Tire and Rubber Company in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

President R. Bowen Hardesty will introduce Mr. Gooding to the audience.

Mr. Goodiing was obtained through the cooperation of the International Christian Leadership. ICL is a non-denominational organization which includes as members leaders in politics, government, and business. According to ICL, Mr. Gooding is an outstanding business executive and has spoken at conventions throughout the country.

Also on the program will be the Madrigal Singers under the direction of Mr. Charles I. Sager. The group will present musical selections from their Christmas program

Coffee Hour Follows

Following the assembly an informal coffee hour will be held in Gunter Hall. Mr. Gooding will also be present here and will be accompanied by several of his colleagues. The student body is urged to attend the assembly and the coffee hour where they will be able to ask questions of the speaker and his friends.

The Interfaith Council consists of the president and one representative from each religious organization. The representatives, under the leadership of Wilbur Berry, are preparing the Christmas program. The remainder of the group under Lynn DeHart are drafting a constitution.

The council consists of Lynn DeHart, chairman; Carol Miller, secretary; Nancy Dietrick, treasurer; Elizabeth Hilbringer, Nancy Baker, Gary Trail, Linda Teets, Jeanne Dussalt, Pat McCarty, Pat Wenner, Pat King, Wilbur Berry and Laurel Bachetti.

Dean I. Diehl Posts Schedule Of Events

According to Dean Ivan C. Diehl, the college will close on Friday, December 15, at 12:50 for the Christmas Holidays and classes will resume on Monday, January 2, at 8:00 a. m.

The regular Friday schedule will be followed on December 15 and no special privileges will be granted preceding or following the holidays, announced Dean Diehl.

Dean Diehl also announced that the last day of formal classes will be on Wednesday, January 17, at 5 p. m. Semester examinations will begin on Thursday, January 18, and continue through Wednesday, January 24. The exam schedule will be prepared and posted by Miss Lillian Wellner, registrar in charge of records.

Any sophomore or junior who wishes to change advisors from their present advisor to an advisor in his or her major field (this includes elementary education as well as secondary education and arts and sciences) can initiate this change by seeing the chairman, Mr. John Allison, in Gunter

Driving Is For Thinking Men

Modern science is prolonging human life, but modern driving techniques are hampering this increased longevity.

By various irresponsible driving devices such as passing on curves, drinking while driving, playing "big shot," and speeding, careless drivers have racked up a quota of 37,160 traffic deaths this past year.

This numerical disgrace was achieved by several gory means.

To some show-offs, driving is a sport. They shift their "souped-up" wrecks into high gear and their brains into low. The sport is to see how many pedestrians they can run-down in a given block or straight-a-way. Or, how many stop signs and red lights can be ignored. Result: destination "grave" achieved in a mere 18 to 20 years.

For those thinking of "joining the ranks of the show-offs, be sure that your motor vehicle has horse power and you lack horse sense!

If you have that tired, run-down feeling, if you seek that "Jet Smooth" ride in your old jalopy, always have a few too many for the road. Excessive drinking blurs the road until it disappears, gives the brain that restful sensation, and usually rockets your vehicle into orbit around the nearest utility pole. It's to the grave for you, but higher insurance rates for sensible drivers.

Every professional field has its non-conformist. The driving profession is no exception. The driving separatist is the one who considers all traffic regulations for the "other guy." Signs that read "Slow-Curve-Do Not Pass," kindle the fires of non-conformity in our "odd-ball." The survivors usually honor these rebels with a short funeral at the local cemetery.

With Christmas and New Year just around the corner, those of you who are show-offs, excessive drinkers, and speeders, please order your coffins early to avoid the holiday rush. Or, perhaps, you highway murderers could drive with some sense this Christmas and cheat the undertaker out of his Christmas bonus!

Drive with common sense and respect for the "other guy" this holiday season!-Steve Bittner

Fraternities Serve A Purpose

Greek organizations across the nation and particularly on our campus receive a great deal of criticism from individuals who do not understand their goals and purposes.

These organizations have acquired the term social, not from the fact that their only activities are those of a social nature, but rather from the fact that through various means they tend to enlarge their members' outlook on society through mental, emotional, and character growth of the individual members.

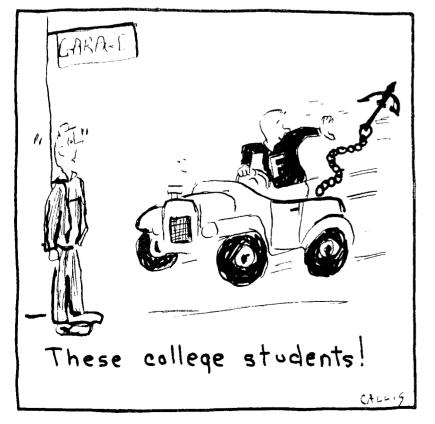
The presence of fellowship and brotherhood within these organizations serves, not for the purpose of instilling in the member a feeling that he is better than any one else, but rather for the purpose of instilling in the member a realization of the need for these qualities in modern life.

Through these means Greek organizations attempt to form an ideal form of society from which evolves the necessity of selectivity of membership. Through selectivity these organizations do not attempt to hurt people by denying membership, but rather select individuals who will both benefit from, and contribute to, the ideal society.

When the opportunity arises for you to participate in these organizations, don't criticize; come out and see them in action.---Louis Schwarz

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By Mary Lee



Startling Art

Contemporary Exhibit Baffles Art Students

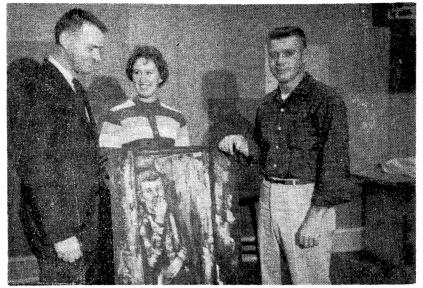
By Mary Lee Callis

"Is that a picture? It looks like textile! Does it mean something?" These were a few of the comments made by the thirty-five FSTC students upon viewing the paintings at the Pittsburgh International Exhibition of Contemporary Painting and Sculpture.

Mark Cobey had created a pastel "masterpiece" that looked remarkably like a square of kitchen tile and was named, by a stroke of genius, "Untitled."

Upon entering the gallery, we were impressed with the forty-

foot wood and string mobile. Each piece was shipped separately and assembled in the main hall. I wondered how each of the five hundred pieces was put into its exact position, but a guard in-



ART DEVOTEES - Dr. James W. Crawford, Rita Benson, and Bill Sturtz view a painting by Carolyn Baucom that was inspired by the International Exhibit at Pittsburgh. (Photo by Ken Smith)

'Morbid' Jokes Haunt College As Class Composes Epitaphs

Shades of the "morbid" jokes of a few years ago have come back to haunt us in these epitaphs. It's really not as dismal as it all sounds—we love life! Take your pick!

Operation Scramble Brings Mass Exodus

Out of the night comes a sound that chills one to the very bone. It lasts for about one minute, but the turmoil that it brings will last the whole night through.

It is like the calm before the storm. Some girls are sleeping soundly in bed or studying industriously. There may be some in the laundry room, ironing or washing. The dreadful sound comes.

Everyone drops what she is doing, no matter how important. So you're caught in the shower, so what! Grab a towel and make tracks for the nearest exit. You say you wanted to get to bed early tonight: 12:00 is a pretty reasonable hour. As you are dropping off into the land of nod, you are rudely shocked by a sound that knocks you out of bed; you can't figure out whether it's your alarm clock, or the Russians have finally gotten down to business. Then hits you—''great Ceasar's ghost" it's a lousy fire drill. Pull the shades up or down? You can't remember.

As we stand outside in the drizzling rain, our feet cold and shivering like half drowned mice, we begin to think of ways to get the fire marshal fired. You're a sophomore and your name begins with "Z" and they start with upper classmen in alphabetical order in calling roll. Naturally all sophomores come down with pneumonia.

Finally you're back in hed safe and warm thinking how glad you are that there's only one fire drill a month when out of a clear blue sky . . ., not two in one night!

Plagued by studies, early classes, His mind too much on pretty lass-

He died young, not quite in his prime;

Now for sleep he has lots of time. Here he lies beneath the grass, No need to sleep in Underwood's class!

(Gary Hoopengardner)

Born on a humid September day, Came to this earth but could not Her life was short but her hopes

were high. Too bad that Ellen had to die.

(Ellen Therit) Here for eternity he lies alone,

One hundred and forty pounds of skin and bone.

His physical body is no more, But his soul will live forevermore. (James White)

Here lies Linda, more dead than No more calculus and no more

jive. She lived a good life, we should not weep

For she's still happy, though six feet deep.

(Linda Feher)

Born on a bleak December day To brighten the lives of many they say

She loved to twist and sing all night Until the dawn's early light.

If this is what led her to the grave We wonder why her life we could not save

Her scholarly ways were trivial and sad

She thought studying was just a fad. Now it is too late for her to re-

member The things her mother told her that bleak December!

(S. P. S.)

formed me that they put it up and gave it a good shake.

For many students, it was the first mass dose of contemporary art and the pill was a bit hard to swallow. Not only is it necessary to have a sense of clarity, color, and balance, but you must appreciate alarm clocks, gas pumps, tail pipes and steering shafts.

These items have been combined through the new, ever growing and appropriately named "Junk School" of sculpture.

The paintings were unique because each artist was searching for a means of expression all his own. Brilliant colors and violent lines assaulted your eyes on one canvas while dull blacks and whites formed another composition. Such oddities as torn sweat shirts, glass eyeballs, army belts, canvas sails, ropes, skulls and bones were included on the composition of several paintings. It was truly an unusual means of expression.

Besides needing an open mind to appreciate all these things, there is another necessary quality for all art enthusiasts which is stamina. Three hundred twenty-nine paintings and one hundred nineteen pieces of sculpture were displayed along the two mile trek.

Boarding Student Faces Many Perils

Have you ever rolled over to shut off the alarm to find that you have only 15 minutes to get to your eight o'clock class? You begin to feel a little nervous about the situation when you look out the window and see two feet of snow and an ice covered

For dorm students this isn't much of a problem, but when you live a half mile from school the situation is a little different. You think, why fight it, one little cut won't hurt. You then roll over.

When you awaken again it is twenty of one, and you have a 1:10 class. Which is more important, getting to class on time or arriving late with a full stomach? Frantically you dress and run out into the wild typical day of Frostburg.

With a lovely case of indigestion you sit through your English class. Afterwards, you rush home to get the mail, wash your clothes and do an assignment long overdue.

By the time you are finished it is time to eat dinner. Oh, no! I can't face that hill again! Nothing like a dried up bologna sandwich for supper. Gives you plenty of energy to study for three-hour tests. Sometimes you wonder why you ever came to Frostburg in the first place! Now to get plenty of rest I've got to be ready for my eight o'clock tomorrow! Jeanette Ganovski

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Teresa's Dancers Need Help

It's not every night of my young life that I have the opportunity to have a glimpse behind the scenes of a real PROFESSIONAL show, Miss Teresa Y Su and her Spanish dancers.

Helping with costumes really meant that I would have to assume centipede qualities to successfully "zip this dress, take the pins out of my hair, grab that comb, pick up that rose, and HURRY; we've only got 45 seconds!" (I've babysat for two-year old twins who must thrive on Tri-Vip-Sol, and never was this busy!)

Occupied with the arduous job of pulling the curtain was Tom

Arnold. It seems that after each quickly paced number there were several even more quickly-paced curtain calls.

"Pull that curtain! Quick! Open it! Close it!"

Tom could hardly move the next day and reported "In all the boot camps I've gone through for Marine Officer's training, I've never been so worn out.'

On the other side of the stage Ronnie Mann, our soccer star, was helping dress the men in the troop. He reports that he ran more than during the entire soccer season.

Campus Swings Into Christmas Activities

Here's a Switch

Unwanted Gifts Create Trouble During Holiday

Every year we are asked what we want for Christmas. Let's be different this year and find out just what we don't want for Christmas.

Doris Lewis—No snow!

Peggy Holter—No tests! Kitchie Freenlich—A red and

white Impala.
Bill Siebert—An "A" in Kinesiol-

Joyce Armiger—Another deck of pinochle cards I can't use.

Libby Harris—No more dimples.

John Holzworth—No long distance phone calls.

Dave Soppa—No private eyes from Hagerstown. Bink Wilson—No triads!

Pat Capella—No Theta Chi pin?

Mary Lee Gruver—No pamphlets
on how to get the most out of
my texts.

Bill Greenhalgh—No homework. Brooke Haines—No pink eye! Bill Bartlette—No psych observa-

tions!

Judy Fisher—The Rubaiyat of
Omar Khayyam in the original
Persian.

Sally Sullivan—A mink stole, because her neck is too short.

Evelyn Walker—another art course, because they're playing havoc with her point score.

Ann Schwanebeck—an empty third finger on her left hand.

Dr. Lucile Clay—any more pore spellers.

Bob Bittinger—hand painted chartreuse tie which glows in the dark with the Frostburg

Louise Bittinger—A critic teacher who takes the "critic" part seriously.

Tom Arnold—Any visitor from Bucknell University.

Larry Stup—A draft notice.

Adolf Doerk—A guided tour of

East Berlin.

Mr. Allison—A WHITE Christmas complete with tow ropes.

Jean Ward—A fire drill at 3 a. m.

Jeanne Dussaunt—Subscription to "Minority of One."

Holiday Thoughts Stir Poetic Vision

It is the night before we go home; And to the Christmas dance we roam.

Some are sound asleep in their beds,

While others cram facts into their heads.

The night before the holiday—

Seems as if I will always stay.
Christmas parties, shopping and stuff

Some people just can't get enough Some'll celebrate by burning a Yule log.

Others'll celebrate by drinking egg-nog.

Although we don't dream of Santa

anymore,
We'll accept presents from him
and not get sore.

Can't you just see a fellow's eyes, When with a car he is surprised. Of course, it runs on real gas; All toys today are made to go

fast.
Then there's the girl who just can't wait.

Until her boyfriend arrives for his date.

Excitingly opening the box with a

Excitingly opening the box with a smile

While hiding the radio all the while.

Mom and Dad love their all purpose grill.

pose grill.
At least you chose it and they're used to the bill.

Remember the one with your own money you got
And burned up when the lights got

too hot.
Soon we'll say good-bye to our friends,

Hoping that this holiday never ends.
We'll come back saddened with

grades we'll make
With one thought in mind, the
semester break!—Betsy Elliot



A GIANT CHRISTMAS CARD — Girls in Simpson Hall are hanging the "greens." Sherry Cameron is on the chair as Olwen Sargeant helps her. Charlotte Couzens and Ann Schwanebeck complete the picture.

(Photo by Ken Smith)

Suddenly Christmas Appears Full Of Tinsel, Trees, Gifts

All of a sudden we find ourselves in the midst of the Christ-mas season. And Christmas means so much to us—it has a very personal meaning for each one of us.

Yule Seasons Vary In Other Nations

Whether it is with a jaunty "Joyeux Noel," or a hustling "Bona Natale," "Merry Christmas" is the one phrase in the Christian world understood by all.

The meaning of the words is the same, but the manner of celebration differs greatly from one country to another.

Last year John Garon, junior, made a trip to France during his Christmas holiday. The most startling difference he noticed was that commerciality was almost nonexistent.

The family celebration was centered on the religious significance. Trees were present only if the homes had small children to enjoy them.

In Italy, because of the warm climate, there are no Christmas trees whatsoever. Santa Claus exists in spirit, but the children are told, "If you're not good 'nieca' (old woman) won't bring you anything "

United States, what has happened to your sense of values? We have gone wild in the commercialization of the Season. This writer overheard her four year old neighbor answer the question, "Whose birthday is Christmas?" Why "Santa Claus," stupid!"

To students, which may include many of us, Christmas means home for the holidays. "Where is Tom's gift. Have you seen Tom's gift, Anne? I know I had it the other day, or was it the other week? Yes, yes, I'm coming. Oh, here it is under my books. Thank heavens! I'm ready, so let's go!"

Santa's visit means much to the small child at Christmas. "Yes, there is a Santa Claus. I know because he brought me a train last Christmas—a red one, too. And he'll bring me a tricycle this year. And Susie will get a baby doll. Santa always comes!

To the priest or minister the Christmas season means special responsibilities to his parishioners. He must spiritually prepare his flock for the coming of Jesus. "The Christ Child was born in Bethlehem over nineteen hundred years ago."

And all of us dearly love this Child, but do we love other children? All children are made in "the image and likeness of God," but do we recognize this?

And to the needy children of Asia and all other lands of the world, Christmas may have special meaning—it may mean hope. "And all you've done all night has been to watch the sky. How can you constantly watch and search? I'm so hungry and cold. And all you do is sing that old song those missionaries taught you and watch. Why? why?"

"BECAUSE IT IS CHRISTMAS."

The Visit Of Saint Nicholas' To Be Theme Of Decorations As Season's Festivities Begin

"Christmas is bustin' out all over" the campus of FSTC, according to Paul L. Morgan, chairman of the Christmas Activities committee of Student Congress.

What I Would Do If I Were Santa

Christmas is one of the most wonderful times in the world for Americans. Gayly decorated streets, toy shops, and Salvation Army kettles proclaim the Christmas spirit. Above the din of the city sounds the pure tone of church bells announcing the birth of the Christ Child and peace to all men.

As I sit here reflecting on the joys of Christmas, I cannnot help but recall the rest of the world, most of the world, in fact. I see pinched, hungry faces of children dressed in rags who must beg in order to have a mouthful of food. I see young people who want to be free to enjoy their youth, but who are oppressed and directed by dictators.

If I were Santa Claus, I could end all this misery and oppression. I would free the world of all that is dark and disillusioning and replace that darkness with the light of hope and faith.

I would free the young people and send them out to find the joy that comes from serving others. I would restore the hope of the old and tell them that their dreams were not in vain.

Yes, if I were Santa Claus, I could make the world over into a place of hope and happiness, of mutual consideration and peace. My gift to all people would be love; the love that Christ meant when he said: "Love one another." His statement had no reservations, no qualifications.

Materialistic Glow Overshadows Child

A whirling globe of light
Twirls on a fragrant bough.
Gleams of amber bright
Sprinkle softly now.
Upon a miniature town
Shiny boxes with glistening lids
Are looking into a mirror-lake,
While plastic ducks seem para-

As they float and wait . . . and

wait.
A satin-ribbon street winds
Over the cotton snow.
A whirling globe of light
Casts a splotch of gold below.
Near the base of the tree
Behind the low-bent boughs,
Another scene is placed.
The cardboard's tattered now.
The figures are a disgrace of

faded color, skimpy straw.

A chipped cow looks into a manger bed.

ger bed. His glazed eyes stare . . . No Christ Child's there. The campus will be a winter wonderland for people of all ages who have ever been entertained on Christmas Eve by the beloved poem, "The Visit of Saint Nicholas," by Clement Clark Moore. The outdoor portions of the buildings will be portraying the different parts of the poem.

The main entrance to Simpson Hall will be marvelously converted into a fireplace where "the stockings will be hung by the children with care."

The annual Christmas tree lighting will occur at 7:30 p. m., tomorrow, December 7, in the quadrangle. A brass ensemble under the direction of Dr. Ward C. Cole will accompany the group singing Christmas Carols. After the tree lighting the student body is cordially invited to an organ recital by Joseph Derry to be held in Gunter Hall.

So that you will know when and where all the activities will be, Lenora Gateau will post announcements.

Eula Stuller, Carol Sue Hooper, Jackie Whipple, Jeanne Hall, Mary Ann Cosgrove, and Kay Determan are planning the refreshments.

Christmas activities in the years past have been real highlights of the winter season.

Ideas Galore Make Prize Winning Door

Do you dormitory students need any marvelous ideas for door decorations for the Christmas contest? As a public service feature, we are hereby presenting these "sure-to-win-a-prize" (we don't guarantee what kind of a prize) ideas for your utilization:

A gold image of Buddha wearing a Santa Claus cap—

Santa Claus's elves on a sitdown strike— Black crepe framing the door in

preparatioon for (ugh) semester exams— One holly berry for those of you

One holly berry for those of you who are too broke to afford a solid platinum snowball—

Santa Claus's sled hi-jacked on the way to Cuba—

Signs proclaiming that there is no Santa Claus (I'm sorry, but you had to know sometime)—

A snowman made of genuine, authentic Frost b u r g snow (Help!)—

A yule-log burning brightly, with live fire for toasting marshmallows—

Well, on further consideration, maybe some of our ideas are a wee mite impractical. Merry

Upperclassmen Cringe At Memories Of Dreadful Blizzards



PICTURE OF YESTERYEAR — Upperclassmen remember only too well the deep snow portrayed in the picture above. (Photo by Bob Long)

Do you remember the winters of the big snows? What high adventures—what exhilarating experiences—what wet feet and head colds!

Do you remember, when you

were a freshman, the wild tales upperclassmen were spreading about FSTC winters. Do you remember scoffing at the very idea of ropes stretched across campus for navigation purposes?

Do you remember laughing deliriously when the first of February arrived and no snowflake had reared its little head? Do you remember laughing hysterically upon being snowbound for one solid month!

And then there was the day when the radio announcer said, "Due to the tremendous amount of snow which has fallen on the entire east coast, all schools—parochial, public colleges, universities, in the states of Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, Maryland and Virginia will be closed EXCEPT Frostburg State Teachers College?"

Sorority Activities Begin For Alpha Xi Delta Pledge Class

Pledging officially began for ten Alpha Xi Delta pledges on Wednesday, November 29, when the formal pledging ceremony was held. At this ceremony, the girls received their pledge symbols, including the Alpha Pi Delta pledge pin and colors. The pin must be worn throughout the entire pledge period.

According to membership chairman, Mary Ellen Cunningham, the pledges will be formally initiated into the sorority at the end of the semester.

This pledge class of ten will be Gamma Psi's first pledge class as Alpha Xi Delta.

The girls pledging the sorority this semester are Juniors, Becky Naill, Emmitsburg; Barbara Smith, Suitland; sophomores, Pat La Valle, Hagerstown; Linda Fehrer, Baltimore; Judy Johnston, Silver Spring; Mary Carol Reilly, Baltimore; Linda Kline, Hagerstown; Bonnie Sweeney, Silver Spring; Karen Carlson, Silver Spring; and Serena Kerr, Emmitsburg.

Acting as pledge marshals for the semester will be Laurel Bachetti and Nadine Roberts.

The major activity for the class will be their proposed pledge project which will consist of the making of the sorority coat of arms to be placed in Gunter Hall.

Under the direction of Freida Cooley, scholarship chairman, there will be a supervised study hall for the pledges to be held twice weekly.

Because of the Panhellenic Code which governs pledging in many national sororities, the pledges will not be publicly embarrassed or harassed.

News Briefs

According to **Student Congress** President, Marvin Vann, there has been a marked growth in the number of students who jump line in the college dining room.

Because of the problems this situation is placing on the students, Student Congress will impose a one dollar fine on any member of the student body who jumps any cafeteria line. The fine will double with each offense and must be paid before grades will be released.

Sigma Tau Gamma is in the process of planning for its first annual fall dance at Maplehurst Country Club. It is hoped that the dance, which will be held December 8, will become a traditional fall activity.

To the music of Bill Patton and his band, the membership will sponsor thirty freshmen and their dates in order to acquaint men with Greek life. Each couple will pay \$1.00 to maintain membership priority.

Larry McLean, Student National Education Association president, attended the Student New Jersey Education Association convention on December 1-2. He brought greetings from the National and served as consultant to the group discussion, "Our Profession—What Is It?"

Larry will be meeting with the National Executive Committee in Williamsburg, Va., Dec. 27-30.

An all college Christmas Caroling Party is being planned for December 14 at 7 p. m. by the Student Christian Association.

The singers are to circle the town, stopping to sing at the Miner's Hospital.

The students on this committee are co-chairmen Janice Glime and Larry McLean; Vickie Carlson, Carol Zimmerman, Carol Rowan, Martha DeBerry, Betty Wilson, Charles Holder, and Linda Teets.

The group will leave the campus at 7 p. m.

Sigma Phi and Alpha Xi Delta fraternities are sponsoring a reception and tea for the faculty and their families on Sunday, December 10, at 3 p. m. in the Gunter Hall Foyer. The objective of the tea is to familiarize the faculty with the Greek organizations.

Representing Frostburg at the annual Gettysburg Area Lutheran Student Association conference held on Saturday, December 2, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, were Edna Mae Leppo, Serena Kerr, Becky Naill and Carol Miller.



SORORITY PLEDGES — Girls who will be new members of Alpha Xi Delta are (seated): Karen Carlson, Linda Kline, Pat Lavelle, Linda Feher; (standing): Bonnie Sweeney, Serena Kerr, Barbara Smith, Mary Carol Reilly, and Becky Neill. (Photo by Ken Smith)

New Student Teachers Receive Practice Teaching Assignments

Director of Elementary Practice, Mr. Charles Stansberry, and Directors of Secondary Practice, Mr. John Dunn and Mr. Robert Jones, have recently announced the practice teaching assignments for the second nine-week period.

Twenty-two senior girls are assigned to elementary schools in the area. Mary McNamee is teaching 6th grade at Centre Street School.

Dian Guy and Joan Widmayer are teaching at Columbia Street, Cumberland, in the third grade. Also at Columbia Street are Fran Baus and Mrs. Carolyn Diehl who are teaching the fourth grade.

The fifth grade at Cresaptown is being taught by Mrs. Betty Livengood and Betty Pierce.

At Gephart Elementary are Annette Weimer and Charlotte Welch, who are assigned to grade one. Teaching the second grade at Gephart are Barbara Tompkins and Judy Turley. Marion Rice is teaching sixth grade, also at Gephart

Ann Baker and Christine Ditto have been assigned to teach in the second grade at McCoole. Teaching the sixth grade at Mt. Savage Elementary are Judy Bryan and Jane Wright.

Carolyn Burgan and Beverly Paulson have been assigned to the Parkside Elementary. Carolyn is teaching the fourth grade, and Beverly is teaching the fifth grade.

Pullen School, grade three, has been assigned to Twyla Perry. The second grade at the Rt. 40 School has been assigned to Sally Kelly and Judy Marshall. To complete the assignments, Carol Raines is practicing in the sixth grade at Hill Street Elementary.

Secondary assignments have been made in eleven schools in the area. Sixteen seniors have been assigned to Allegany High School in Cumberland. Teaching core at Allegany are: John Folk, William Stephans, Patricia Grif-fin, Art Isom, Jim Smith, Luther Rizer, Bob Wiles, Don McCombs, and James Shertzer. Science is being taught at Allegany by Theodore Hebb, George Kuhn, and John Shuhart. Louise Bittinger, Marvin Vann, and Steve Bittner have been assigned to Allegany's social studies department. George Pitzer, also at Allegany, is practice teaching in mathematics.

At Beall High School in Frostburg is James Moffatt teaching mathematics; Glenn Knode, and Gerald Smith, social studies; Donna Logsdon and Betty Swartley, English; and Marie Gobel and Ed Witt, core.

Science is being taught by Sue Dye, Ruth MacCumbee, and Barbara Mowbray at Bruce High School. Also at Bruce are Roy Sigler and Dot Strawsburg, who are

doing their practice in social studies.

Thomas House and Larry McCurdy have been assigned to teach core and social studies at Cresaptown Junior High School. Also at Cresaptown are Jerry Llewellyn and George Strachen, who is teaching mathematics and science; and William Andrews and Ralph Mahaney, teaching English.

James D. Williams and Donald Nicholson are teaching core and social studies at Mt. Savage High School.

Seventh grade subjects are being taught at Pullen School by John Atkinson and Sally Logsdon.

Fort Hill High School is the scene for the second practice of eight seniors. They are James O'Donnell and Betty Jackson, English; William Henagan and Larry Hoperaft, social studies; Adolf Doerk and Terry Rizer, science, and Fay Keiser and Harold Vance, core.

Practice teaching at Penn Avenue Junior High are Carolyn Brooks, John Clark, Linda Edwards, John Morris, Geoff Whitmore, Vincent Bollino, and Kenneth Harris. They are all teaching core.

In the core teaching program at Valley High School are Dorothy Doolan and Richard Shaffer. Also at Valley is Francis Fair who is teaching science. Edgel Serno is teaching math at

Edgel Serno is teaching math at Southern Garrett Jr.-Sr. High. At Route 40 school teaching core are Diane Ewing and Mary Kelly.

Theatrical Groups Announce Initiates

The Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club was the scene of **Alpha Psi Omega's** formal initiation on Monday, December 4, at 6:30 p. m.

Those initiated included Jack Dabrowski, senior, and Rilla Whitten and Sam James, sophomores.

Little Theatre initiated twenty new members in Compton Hall Auditorium at 7:30 p. m. on Monday, November 27.

Madeline Barr, Jack Dabrowski, Ona Kile and Sherry Phillips opened the program with an explanation of Little Theatre and its various aspects. Terry Phillips recited a poem, after which the initiates received ribbons from the old members. Miss Dorothy Stone White is advisor to both organizations.

Nineteen Members Attend Convention

On November 17 and 18 nineteen members of the Student Education Association, accompanied by their advisor, Dr. Raymond McCullough, attended the Fall Convention of the Maryland Association of FTA at Towson State Teachers College. The voting delegate from FSTC was Charles Ridgeway.

The SEA program committee is now working on plans for future assemblies. Those students on this committee are Patsy Tewalt, chairman, Carol Rowan, Carol Zimmerman, Vickie Carlson, Dorothy Strine, Charles Ridgeway, and Linda Teets.

Catholic Students Donate Yule Gifts

The Newman Club is sponsoring a Christmas Party for all Catholic students on Friday, December 8. It will be held in Gunter Foyer at 8:30 p. m.

Caroling and dancing will be featured.

Everyone is asked to bring canned food which will be donated to needy families in the area in order to make their Christmas more enjoyable.

Collecting the foodstuffs are Karen Crowley, chairman, Mary Scheper, Nancy Deitrich, Rita Bensen, Kitchie Froenlich and Bob Weimer.

Joan Gisriel is serving as chairman of the party. Assisting her are Jane Schwanebeck, Carolyn Burkey, Jim Sittig, Mary Louise Berry, Kitchie Froenlich and Mike Shearer.

Members of the Newman Club attended the 5:10 mass in a body at Saint Michael's Church on Friday, December 1. Following the service a Pizza Party was held in the church hall.

Making preparations for the activity were Miss Shirley Zampelli and Mary Carol Reilly.

Mr. Eric Ammon from Deer Park, Maryland, spoke to the Newman Club on Tuesday, November 28, on the topic, "The Position of the Catholic Church in Germany during World War II."

French Club Plans Christmas Festivity

Plans are under way for the annual French Club Christmas Party which will be held tomorrow, December 7, at 8:00 p. m. in AH 203. This special activity will be paid for by money received from the sale of a new type of Frostburg stationery to be sold immediately after the Christmas vacation.

According to Betty Souders, president of the club, the following program will be presented: a monologue by Dianne Haight; an interpretive modern dance, Mary Carolyn Greene; illustrative drawings, Gerald Saelson; singing trio, Dianne Haight, Betty Souders and Barbara Krumpe, and "French Funnies," John Garon. The program will conclude with

The program will conclude with the singing of carols in French with an accordion accompaniment.

Tim Whittier is serving as social chairman for the club. The refreshment committee consists of Lynda Forbes, Kris Belfoure, and Carol Layton. Furnishing the decorations will be Francis Garlitz, Mary Carolyn Greene, Pat Burke, and John Garon.

In order to raise money for the Junior-Senior Prom, the junior class is sponsoring a series of six movies. These movies are all being held on Sunday nights at 8:00 in Compton Auditorium with an admission price of \$.25.

Sam Huffer and Chickie Gateau are prom co-chairmen. Any junior interested in working on the prom should contact these students.

Delegates Of IRC Attend Castro Conference



DELEGATES—Members of IRC who have just returned from Philadelphia are (seated): Dr. Hazel Ramsay, Eileen Hackman; (standing) Carol Sue Hooper, Art Walker. (Photo by Ken Smith)

Several delegates from Frostburg attended the Middle-Atlantic Regional Conference of the American Association of International Relations Clubs on Nov. 17-19.

The topic of this conference, held in Philadelphia, was "Castroism and Latin America."

Most of Saturday was spent in roundtable discussions of the subject. Some of the conclusions reached by the various roundtable groups were that Castro has become a hero for the discontented lower classes of Latin America to rally around; that he has come to symbolize revolution with the possibility of economic and social reform; and that he is definitely pro-communistic.

It was agreed that the best way to offset his pro-communistic influence in Latin America is through the Peace Corps and the Alliance for Progress.

Mr. Geoffrey Summs, who was the last State Department official to leave Cuba after the United States broke diplomatic relations with that country, was guest speaker at the banquet Saturday night.



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