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Camouflage Theme Prominent At Annual Penny Carnival

Potts, Rowse, Hodges Walk Off With Awards

Camouflage, theme of the Penny Carnival, brought forth many original costumes Saturday night as the Women's Athletic Association presented their annual dance. Barbara Potts and Jim Rowse, wearing old-fashioned striped night shirts and carrying candles, "retired" with the first prizes while Arabelle Banton Hodges as What A. Wolfe went masculine and returned with the other award.

Intermission entertainment was furnished by the Square Dance Club. Members called their various dances while the guests did the clapping. This and the Grand March, led by WAA President Helen Clifford and George Millay, were the highlights of the evening. Carnival costumes ranged from red flannels to blue jeans. Soldiers were allowed to break away from the regulation GI, and their attire was either "good old civilian" or quite original. Lady Superman came complete with red tights and cloak. The devil was ever popular and there were Indians, Adolph, a Boy Scout (Troop 1145), and others in pajamas and old-fashioned garb.



Win Penny Carnival costume prizes

Treasury Director Asks Patriotism Of Penny-Pinchers

"Please put pennies back in circulation."

Thus comes the appeal from the Treasury Department in Washington. The Mint has had much difficulty in obtaining material for the one-cent piece because strategic metals which compose it are an imperative necessity in the manufacturing of bombers, tanks, rifles, and other weapons.

This critical shortage has prompted the Director of the United States Mint to request that everyone cooperate in the undertaking to get back into circulation the idle coins that are lying around in piggy banks, sugar bowls, glass jars, boxes, and bureau drawers in homes all over the country, tying up priceless metals.

There is probably no patriotic service which may be rendered, without financial cost to the individual, that would contribute more to winning this war.

A suggestion to penny hoarders: Substitute War Savings Stamps for the coins that are held as savings.

Music Department Presents Annual Christmas Vespers

Christmas Sunday at the University of Maine was observed in the traditional manner with a Christmas Sunday MCA service in the morning and Christmas vespers in the afternoon. Dr. Robert Cummins, general superintendent of the Universalist Church of America, was the speaker at the morning service.

The afternoon service was presented by the Glee Clubs, under the direction of James Gordon Selwood, and the orchestra, under the leadership of A. Stanley Cayting. The program was made up of both familiar and unfamiliar Christmas music and included Bach chorales and selections from Handel's "Messiah" as well as the better-known Christmas carols which were sung by the congregation under the direction of Prof. Adelbert Sprague.

Students who presented special numbers were Albert Teller, Billie Taylor, Richard Huntington, and Kenneth Patterson, ASTU brass quartet; Wayne Moffit, ASTU, reader; Laura Jackman, Betty Jenkins, Philip Robinson, ASTU, and John York, ASTU, quartet; Rubin Hoyt, ASTU, tenor. Joan Stevens and Phyllis Pendleton were accompanists for the Glee Clubs.

Penalty Will Be Enforced On Cuts Near Recess Dates

Registrar James A. Gannett announced today that emphasis will be placed on the regulations regarding cuts before and after vacations. Students are advised to take heed of the rules governing such actions.

"Absences Before and After Vacations and Holidays. The penalty for unauthorized absences incurred during the period twenty-four hours before or after a recess, vacation or holiday, shall be dropping from the course in which the absence was incurred. Authorization shall not be given for absences during the period twenty-four hours before or after a recess, vacation or holiday, except for some very unusual circumstances."

The above regulation applies to all classes during the twenty-four hour interval and to all types of absences. The penalty includes an F grade in the courses in which absences are reported.

The Christmas recess for civilians will begin Thursday afternoon, Dec. 23, at 3:45 p.m., and classes will be resumed on Tuesday, Dec. 28, at 8 a.m.

\$50,000 Received From Stodder Fund For Student Aid

The University has received \$50,000 as a first payment under terms of the will of the late Mrs. Anne E. Stodder of Bangor which was probated shortly after her death in October, 1942. This payment was made in compliance with one clause of the will. Another \$200,000 will come to the University at the termination of a trust.

Mrs. Stodder's interest in the young men and women of the University of Maine is shown by the terms of the will specifying the purpose for which the \$50,000 shall be used—"the principal to be kept intact and safely invested and the income shall be used for the assistance of needy and deserving students...under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the proper authorities at the University."

As The Flu Flies; Revelation Of Campus-Grippe-ing Menace

To say that a violent epidemic of flu is sweeping the University of Maine campus would be a faux pas indeed. According to the Health Department the actual cases of real old down-and-out-for-the-count flu are few and relatively far between, but tell that to the students and the AST men. It's hard to believe.

Call it the grippe, call it the good old cold and sore throat, whatever it is, it certainly is here. It's even taking the faculty out for the count. First they're in class. Then they're not. Just like that! That's the way it hits them all, from the dean on down to the seventeen-year-olds.

Without warning the innocent victim is neatly pinned down with a burning sore throat and a cough that is a cross between Model T backfire and the explosion of a blockbuster in Berlin. Within a day the sore throat becomes hinged with a stuffy nose that drips and runs its way through various boxes of tissues and GI handkerchiefs. At this stage the professors even beg students for a tissue or two, now and then. A feeling of tightness about the eyes

MCA Committee Plans Annual Religious Embassy

American Themes Stressed In Drama Writers' Contest

Four awards in dramatic writing are offered in the ninth annual competitions of Dramatists' Alliance of Stanford University. The late great Stephen Vincent Benet is remembered in a new prize for radio plays in prose or verse, preferably on American themes such as the poet himself produced so richly; the award is fifty dollars and recommendation to radio production units. Other awards are the Anderson prize of one hundred dollars for verse drama, in full length or one-shot form; the Etherage award for full-length comedy, also one hundred dollars; and the Gray award for dramatic criticism, which brings twenty-five dollars and recommendation to standard periodicals.

No second prizes are given, but leading honors plays are sent with the winners to Samuel French, NBC offices in New York, MGM, and responsible producing units among community theatres, as part of the Alliance's effort to introduce new playwrights to the country at large.

Writers should send for registration forms and information at once; final date for the present series of competitions is March 15, 1944. Address all inquiries and contributions to Dramatists' Alliance, Box 200 Z, Stanford University, California.

ASTU To Sponsor Dance On New Year's Eve

Faculty and students of the University will be guests of the Army Specialized Training Unit at a New Year's Eve dance, it was announced today.

The celebration will be held at the Memorial Gymnasium from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday night, Dec. 31, 1943-Jan. 1, 1944. Further details on the dance will be announced next week.

Philosophy Of Life Basis Of Discussion

The fourth annual embassy, sponsored by the Maine Christian Association, opens with a general assembly for the student body on Tuesday morning, Jan. 11, Barbara Akeley, student chairman, announced today. The theme of the embassy will be "Your Philosophy of Life Up to Date."

The embassy is for the purpose of focusing student attention on religion and what it means in the world we're living in. For two days the MCA will bring outstanding leaders to meet with the students in informal discussions. These speakers will live in the various dormitories and fraternity houses in order to become better acquainted with the students.

Tuesday afternoon will be devoted to informal discussion group meetings, and in the evening there will be a supper for all students interested in meeting speakers on an informal basis. On Wednesday, Jan. 12, the embassy program will consist of an afternoon tea followed by a concluding service.

Those on the general planning committee are: Betty Higgins, Marian Littlefield, Janice Campbell, Barbara Allen, Emmy Lou Littlefield, Doris Bell, Betty Brackett, Betty Perkins, Ruth Troland, Henry Hagman, Kenneth Reed, Nat Bartholomaei, and Sam Collins.

Former ROTC Men Leaving For CA And Infantry OCS

After a brief return to their home campus, the Maine men who were in the first year of advanced ROTC will soon be departing for Officers' Training School.

All infantry men in the ROTC have received their orders, six to go to Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga. These men were Dayson DeCourcy '44, Arnold Cohen '45, James Haskell '44, Malcolm Hardy '44, Donald Crossland '45, and Harry Quinn '44. The remainder of the infantry are to report to the OCS of the Armed Forces at Camp Knox, Knoxville, Kentucky.

Thirteen men in the ROTC Coast Artillery have been ordered to the Coast Artillery School at Camp Davis, North Carolina. They are Charles Chapman, Josiah Colcord, William Cullen, Benjamin Hodges, Donald Hodges, Carleton Kilpatrick, Earl Kingsbury, Thomas Parmenter, Ray Roley, Phillip Spiller, Norman Putman, Phillip Miller, and Joseph O'Neil.

Mrs. Mac Assumes Duties At Phi Gam

Mrs. Edith McCollum recently took up duties as house mother at the Phi Gamma Delta cooperative house. Mrs. Mac was house mother of the ATO girls last term until they moved into Estabrooke Hall.

Mother of the SAE boys for nearly twenty years, then suddenly transferred to a group of freshman girls, Mrs. Mac is now back with her boys again. The great change is that the boys are not all SAE's this time but representatives of every fraternity on campus. She has moved down Fraternity Row from the SAE House, affectionately dubbed "Smoke Castle," to the Alpha Tau Omega House, and now to the Fiji Castle.

Bear's 10 Game Hoop Schedule To Open At Storrs Jan. 13

In a statement just issued by Faculty Manager of Athletics Ted Curtis and Coach Sam Sezak, it is definitely stated that the University of Maine's basketball Bears will play a ten-game schedule opening with the Connecticut Nutmeggers on January 13, as part of the annual New England trip, and closing with the Rhode Island Rams, on Washington's Birthday, here at Orono. The first home game will be with Bowdoin on January 22.

Since the beginning of the new term a squad of fourteen men have started serious work in preparation for the campaign. The following group make up the squad: forwards—Ray Cook, Curt McClellan, George Nicholas, and Storer Parsons; centers—Ralph Badger, Bernie Goodman, Leland Jinks, and Fred Niedenstein; guards—Don Fuller, Nick Johns, Bob MacDonald, Charley Norton, Wes Sherwood, and Sam Stuart.

The schedule:

Jan. 13—Connecticut at Storrs
14—Rhode Island at Kingston
15—Northeastern at Boston
22—Bowdoin—home
29—Bowdoin at Brunswick
Feb. 5—Connecticut—home
19—Northeastern—home
22—Rhode Island—home
Colby at Waterville
(date pending)
Colby—home (date pending)

Buy War Stamps and Bonds

Plan Deputation To Southwest Harbor

Thelma Folsom, chairman of the MCA deputations committee, announced today that there will be a meeting on Jan. 8 for everyone interested in deputation work to discuss topics and plans for a trip to Southwest Harbor.

Members have made two trips so far this year, one to Old Town and one to Bangor. The purpose of these trips is to bring variety to the Sunday services in various communities and to give each student an opportunity to develop his interests and abilities.

A typical team is composed of two speakers who give the sermon, one leader for the services, and a pianist. If it is a week-end trip, two more are needed to lead games at a Saturday night social.

Freshman engineering studies for civilians at New York University now closely parallel the basic phase of the ASTP, the University announced recently. The work is divided into 12-week terms, enabling freshmen who are not called into the Army until after the completion of this work to be eligible scholastically for consideration for admission to the advanced phase of the ASTP on completion of basic military training after induction.

Wartime Marriages Present Problems Of Vital Importance

Mrs. Alexander Thomson, president of Western college, Oxford, Ohio, warns college girls against looking upon married life merely as a meal ticket.

"Marriage is one of the most normal, natural and desirable experiences that anyone, man or woman, can achieve," declares Mrs. Thomson, who is the mother of four grown sons, some of whom are married and have children. "Yet during wartime, marriage must face many perplexing problems, the solutions to which are not always indicated by precedent or clearly marked courses."

"First, marriage can no longer be regarded as a purely personal matter. The fact that so many war marriages are hasty ones will only add to the general instability of our country after the war is over."

"At that time there will be so many factors contributing to our general unrest and unhappiness that for any group to add to them is of almost national significance."

"At the very core of the national stability we are fighting for is the stability of the home. By jeopardizing the one, we are equally placing the other in jeopardy."

"Young women can no longer regard marriage as a meal ticket. In the new post-war economy, both men and women will have to work—marriage can no longer be a solution to the economic problems of making one's living. Young people should be advised to consider all these factors before making their choices and decisions."

"Marriage is not a status quo; it changes from day to day. People separated by time and space and experiences are running serious risks of growing apart rather than together in their married life."

"There are many questions and important questions, but in spite of them and the serious implications they may hold, let me again reiterate my faith in the institution of marriage and the future of the home."

MacMillan Contest Open To Members Of Armed Forces

Prizes amounting to \$10,000 are being given by the Macmillan Publishing Company in the Macmillan Centenary Awards, a writing contest for men and women in the armed forces. The awards will be \$2,500 for the best novel, \$2,500 for the best work of non-fiction, and smaller awards, totaling \$5,000, to be given at the publishers' discretion.

To be eligible, a person must be either an American citizen serving in a branch of the armed forces of any of the United Nations, or anyone, citizen or otherwise, serving in a branch of the armed forces of the United States.

In the armed forces of the United Nations there are, unquestionably, many persons who, but for the war, would be following writing careers. Many of them are undoubtedly even now planning books for the future and have possibly completed or embarked upon some part of their work. To encourage them and all others in the fighting forces of the United Nations is the aim of these awards.

ENTER CONTEST BEFORE DEC. 31

General conditions applying to all contestants are: Contestants, men or women, must be from 19 to 35 (inclusive); all manuscripts must be in English; a contestant may submit (a) a completed but unpublished manuscript, or (b) a partly written manuscript together with an explanation or synopsis of how it is to be completed; all manuscripts must reach the publishers before December 31, 1943, unless it can be shown that the delay in their submission is due to the conditions of the war.

Proposals or material for technical, specialized, or purely educational books are outside the fields of these awards; all awards are contingent on

the signing of a formal contract by the nominee for the award for the publication of the work concerned; on any manuscript submitted, whether complete or in outline, the author must give the Macmillan Company in the United States or Macmillan & Co., Ltd., in London or Toronto an exclusive option for six months from the date on which it is received; all prize books will be published in the United States, England, and Canada, for distribution throughout the world "wherever English books are read."

Nazi occupation authorities in Norway are offering "short cut" diplomas to Norwegian university students who volunteer for service with the German armed forces, the Jeloej radio (Nazi controlled) disclosed in a broadcast recently reported by the Federal Communications Commission. The domestic broadcast said puppet premier Vidkun Quisling signed a decree giving university volunteers an opportunity to take "special examinations" which will have the same value as ordinary graduation. The response, it is reported, has been "negligible."

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By Bob Krause

Now that all you lucky people know that you are going to have some of these cool winter evenings broken up by a small bit of basketball over at Memorial Gym, we feel that, possibly, it is our duty to acquaint you with the team who will be providing the entertainment. If you were to wander over to practice sessions any of these nights, chances are the first thing that would strike your eye is the decided lack of height in this year's squad. No, Mabel, they aren't midgets, but they don't quite touch the ceiling either. While there are four men who stand at six feet nobody goes over that mark. If we were looking for an excuse, and it's much too early for that yet, we would say that this one factor might hinder the Black Bear in the quest for a successful season.

But, while this year's team does not feature a bunch of skyscrapers who can tell you what the air is like way up there, there is certainly no lack of what Hollywood likes to call Talent. With the excellent material that he has on hand, Smiling Sam Sezak will not have to go around apologizing for the brand of ball that his team should certainly play. There are definitely the ingredients for the making of a victory cake on hand this year. In Storer Parsons, Sezak has one of the best shots seen by these not-so-old eyes. While playing for Presque Isle, Parsons set a new high school scoring for Aroostook County. Nick Johns, at guard, is a top-flight ball handler and all-round floorman. Charley Norton, a "natural," is at the other guard. Fred Niedenstein, the center of the moment, is a product of New York City high school basketball. We have seen a good many players and games in that style and we can assure you that Niedenstein knows which way is up out on that court.

Curt McClellan, lone member of last season's squad, Ray Cook, at forward, and Sam Stuart, at guard, also appear to be dependable performers. Mix these men well, serve sizzling hot, and the Maine fans' basketball appetite should be satisfied. All that may be needed for just the right flavor is the salt of experience. Unfortunately the schedule is so set up that we get a late start compared to some of the other teams we play. But if the meal is well prepared nobody should have to take a Tum for his tummy after witnessing a Maine game.

In the past few days we have been hounded, in a nice sort of way, by a few gentlemen who have a strong feeling that the University of Maine should have a ski team this winter. These same gentlemen have even been kind enough to give us a list of very potential and eligible team members. The group is led by Web Frost, star on last year's squad, and consists of Don Stebbins, Bill Bickford, Dick Smith, Ernie Sherman, Armand Paquette, Nat Bartholomei, Dave Holmes, and Paul Dowe. Personally, we are very much in favor of having a ski squad—such as we have always had here—and we feel that others feel the same about the matter. Well, there is a strong possibility that we will have a team. The matter is now in the hands of the proper authorities and we feel sure that they will give the idea their blessing. It is now safe to say that the anxious young men may get out the wax—and the crutches.

We have been told that the proper way to close a column is to leave them crying for more. We hope you will pardon us if we reverse that procedure this time. We will do the crying, in the following manner: The merriest Merry Christmas and happiest Happy New Year that one and all can possibly have.

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Footlights And Ether

By Ruth Higgins

There's no need for anyone to be bored on these cold winter nights with the variety of radio entertainment that is being offered over the air waves. Just curl up on the couch and tune in...

For the "sentimental and melancholy" we recommend Tommy Dorsey, master of the trombone, who will be heard from 8:15-8:30 p.m. every night beginning Jan. 6, or the Bing Crosby show which is on the air every Thursday night from 9:00-9:30 p.m.

If you want a good laugh, listen in to Mr. Anthony every Sunday night from 10:00-11:00 p.m. We heard a good one the other night. Just as an example, we'll tell you.

Mr. Anthony called for the next case and a soldier stepped up. The master of human problems was a bit disgusted with his work at that point and very impatiently said, "Yes, yes, my good man, state your problem."

IT FITS

The voice in itself was enough to suggest what was coming, but not quite. Incidentally, don't ever complain because television isn't being used more. There are some shows where it would definitely be a drawback. Well, to get on with the story. Our little hero further aggravated Mr. Anthony by telling him about how his entire uniform had fitted him when he joined the Army. "My shoes fit, my pants fit, my blouse fit—." Here he was cut off again.

"Will you please state your problem and allow some time to the other cases?"

"But, sir," came the answer, "that is my problem. What I want to know is this—am I deformed?"—See what we mean?

For laughs with the comedian we note that Fred Allen is back on the air with Portland Hoffa, and Al Goodman's Orchestra at the familiar time and place—9:30 o'clock—WABC.

The new show, "Radio Hall of Fame," is causing quite a stir in the radio entertainment. Sponsored by the magazine "Variety," it presents each week the top hits from all fields of entertainment—theatres, movies, concerts, night clubs, and popular song centers. Every Sunday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. over WJZ.

TO STIR THE BLOOD

There are plenty of thrillers for the more blood thirsty, such as—Sherlock Holmes: play with Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce from 8:30-9:00 p.m. every Monday night—"Mr. District Attorney," with Jay Jostyn, from 10:00-10:30 on Wednesday nights—"Suspense" from 8:00-8:30 p.m. every Thursday—"The Shadow" every Sunday at 5:30 p.m., and "Crime Doctor" at 8:30 p.m.

Other programs to try include: "Radio Reader's Digest"—9:00-9:30 p.m. on Sunday—"Radio Theatre," 9:00-10:00 p.m. on Monday—"Screen Guild Play," 10:00-10:30 p.m. on Monday—"Mystery Theatre," 9:00-9:30 p.m. on Tuesday—"Big Town," 8:00-8:30 p.m. Tuesday—"Stage Door Canteen," 10:30-11:30 p.m. on Friday.

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Maine Fashions Aim At Warmth

Anti-Freeze Boots And Caps Popular

By Loraine Davis

Anything goes in the line of fashions these days which is anti-cold. Out-of-staters are really getting a taste of Maine au naturel. We can always look at our snow-banked pines and the expanse of fields in their whiteness, however, and say, "I wouldn't change it for anything." Snowy evenings and white Christmases really hold a place in our hearts.

Forgetting the weather, let us talk about a few styles we have seen around campus. If you still haven't asked for anything for Christmas, see how these serve as suggestions.

PILOT BOOTS PRACTICAL

Easy to slip on and tops in warmth and practicality are the new pilot or stadium boots. Their dull-finish, rubber-effect exterior presents a neat and stylish appearance. The sheep's wool lining shapes into a small round cuff at the top of the boot. Girls who are the proud owners of a pair of these boots claim there is one predominant feature about them. Any size shoe heel will fit into the boot—high or low. Any girl knows that practicality in footwear these days is first and foremost. Well, try to find a more practical, basic, all-occasion boot for New England weather!

Noticeable and colorful around campus are the little Dutch caps which many girls are wearing (when hats are worn at all!). One girl has a red velvet one, which goes well with her dark hair. Another coed, a blonde this time, wears a black one which is embroidered in different colors. Several others rate notice also. This adaptation from Dutch headwear can be of wool felt, corduroy, or suede. Watch for other materials too.

WARMTH IS THE KEY

Aralac kerchiefs, fur-lined coats, Churchill jackets, fur-lined gloves, ski sweaters—these are a few more valuable items for these days.

The post-Christmas scene promises many new contributions in fads and fashions. In spite of the shortage of many materials, manufacturers have found adequate and durable substitutes which supply the demands of the consumer. Many of these substitutes will continue their popularity long after the "originals" are back on the market.

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Policy, Atmosphere, Spirit

A new term... New faces... New schedules...
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 Changes.

And yet there is a certain sameness about many things, a collegiate atmosphere perhaps, or an underlying something which might be called Maine Spirit. What are we driving at? Well, we have a habit of looking backward and forward as terms expire and begin again, of thinking things over and deciding what was good and what was of little value. Witnessing the wartime metamorphosis of the University has made us more appreciative than ever of the best parts of life at Maine.

Sunday we enjoyed the traditional Christmas vespers. They were beautiful and moving. They were presented by both civilians and soldiers. The annual Penny Carnival Saturday night was "made" by the camouflage permissions which brought a supremely enjoyable evening to revelers from all corners of the campus. An inspirational Christmas sermon at the Little Theatre on Sunday morning was heard by a group which felt itself a single congregation.

We are proud of the way the University of Maine is carrying on. A former Maine student at another college writes to describe the discrimination there which keeps soldiers out of sorority houses and prohibits soldiers and coeds from speaking to each other. We feel that the policy and spirit which encourages morale—building activity and friendly relationships for soldiers and students together is to be commended. We like to think that the relative harmony existing here is bred by traditional Maine spirit.

Maine ROTC men are leaving this week... another change. The University has enjoyed your stay, and we wish you the best of luck in the schools you have long sought.

And so the *Maine Campus*, produced by both students and soldier-students, expresses best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas.

"The United States has not the option as to whether it will or will not play a great part in the world. It must play a great part. All that it can decide is whether it will play that part well or badly. . . . I believe in that ardent patriotism which will make a nation true to itself by making it secure justice for all within its own borders and then, so far as may be, aid in every way in securing just and fair treatment for all the nations of mankind."—*Theodore Roosevelt*. (ACP)

"If liberal education ever had any worth, it has more in time of war. With all the world in a state of flux, it is the responsibility of the institutions of higher learning to make clear the present significance of this struggle and to educate the men and women who will shape the future at its cessation.

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POLITICAL SCENE

By Elbridge Burton Davis

The past month has seen several rapid-fire developments along the Maine political front which have considerably clarified the gubernatorial picture. Chief among these has been the announcement by Gov. Sumner Sewall that he would not seek an unprecedented third term. The Governor's action now leaves the field open to a plethora of candidates who have hinted their receptiveness but who have not desired to oppose the incumbent.

Speculation is now rife that Sewall will attempt to unseat Representative Robert Hale in the first district. Recently several newspaper stories have appeared in which this possibility was given serious attention and the opinion of the writers seemed to be that there was a very real likelihood that the Governor would be an entrant in the contest.

SEWALL MAY QUIT POLITICS

The true fact of the matter is, however, according to close friends of the Governor who are in a position to know his plans, that he has no intention of going to Congress at this time. On the contrary, he has received three or four tempting offers from private aircraft companies, and is believed willing to eschew politics for some time to come while devoting himself to business activities. I believe we can safely rule out the Governor as a serious contender for any office in 1944.

Coincident with Sewall's announcement came a statement from State Agriculture Commissioner Carl R. Smith in which he said that, despite pressure from many friends and supporters, he was definitely not a candidate. At present this leaves the field to Senate President Horace Hildreth of Portland and State Representative F. Arden Richardson of Strong. Roy L. Fernald, former state senator from Winterport, has as yet made no formal entry into the race, but his backers indicate that he will do so in the near future.

Hildreth is already making an active campaign and has won powerful support in several quarters, which make him very decidedly the leader today. He has been endorsed by all seven of Portland's state representatives and

nearly all the other legislators from Cumberland County are favorable to his candidacy.

HILDRETH CAMPAIGNS

Last week campaigning "way down east" in Washington County, Hildreth caused much favorable comment when he advocated greater development of this region's rich peat bogs and suggested that it might be wise for the state to investigate the possibilities more fully.

At the state Grange convention two weeks ago, Richardson stepped down as Master after eight years in order to devote his full time to the race for the governorship. His support is found mostly in the rural areas, and undoubtedly he will poll a large vote there, but as of today he is running somewhat behind Hildreth.

Complete silence continues unbroken in state Democratic circles, although the party is said to be considering some sort of nominal opposition.

The Contributors' Club, honorary literary organization, met in Balentine Sun Parlor Tuesday evening at seven o'clock.

A short business meeting which included tentative plans for guest speakers was followed by a general reading and discussion of short stories submitted by prospective members. Professor Walter Whitney of the English department gave a critical review of the material submitted.

Brevities . . .

At Panhellenic Council meeting Monday night the sorority rooms were assigned for this term, and the next meetings of the groups will be held in the following rooms: Alpha Omicron Pi, Room B, North Estabrooke; Chi Omega, 1st floor MCA; Delta Delta Delta, Room C, North Estabrooke; Phi Mu, Room E, South Estabrooke; and Pi Beta Phi, 2nd floor MCA. In the future, the rooms will continue to rotate each term.

Recent awards to students in the college of agriculture were announced this week by Fred P. Loring, assistant to the dean. There were three awards of the Charles H. Hood Educational Trust Scholarships: to William Bronsdon, who graduated in the winter commencement, to Robert Smyth, Jr., a junior, and Henry Plate, a sophomore. Two Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation Scholarships were awarded to freshmen: one went to Ivan Crouse, and the other to Donald Fuller.

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"I enjoy reading the *Campus* no end, and above all the column concerning Maine men in the service. Through this column I have been able to locate friends with whom I have lost touch. I met Robert Vickery '46 at the Army Air Forces Classification Center at Nashville, Tenn. He was waiting for shipment to Maxwell Field, Ala." Thus writes Aviation Cadet Donald Nelson from Maxwell Field in a letter typical of many holiday notes from Maine men in uniform... Pvt. Charles St. Thomas writes that he is in an ASTU at the Colorado School of Mines studying engineering... Pvt. Harold Rogers is in an ASTU at the Citadel in Charleston, S. C.

A/C Bill Frederick is stationed at Selman Field, Monroe, La., studying advanced navigation... A/S Dick Mason is now at the University of Buffalo in Buffalo, N. Y.... Many thanks to Larry Jenness for his holiday greeting from Stewart Field, West Point, N. Y.... Pvt. Dick

Waterman is another Maine man who is a member of the ASTP. Dick is studying at the University of Kansas.

AV/C Donald Robinson has been transferred to the Army Air Forces Preflight School at San Antonio, Texas... Pvt. George Garland has been sent from Compton Junior College, Compton, Calif., to the University of Idaho at Moscow, Idaho... A/C Joseph LaPointe is now stationed at Las Vegas, Nevada... Pvt. Malcolm Pieron is studying in the ASTP at Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, La.... A/S Earle Wescott is now at the University of Cincinnati.

A/C Ernest Larson is studying at the Naval Pre-Flight School at Chapel Hill, N. C.... Pvt. Clayton Van-Tassel's new address is APO 4878, c/o Postmaster, New York... Pvt. Lester Yoffe is in an ASTU at Purdue University at Lafayette, Ind.... Cpl. Leon Blaisdell has been transferred from Gunter Field, Ala., to Seymour Johnson Field, Goldsboro, N. C.... A/C Ralph Gould has been transferred to Strother Army Air Field, Winfield, Kansas.

A holiday greeting letter sent out by the Alumni Association this week states that there are nearly 2,700 Maine alumni in service.

GRIM AND BEAR IT - - -

By Norma Herzing

This week's column is written for the express purpose of cheering those students who will be unable to get home for the holidays. With that consoling thought in mind there needs only to be said that Christmas in Maine is nothing to be sneezed at, although that's exactly what most people are doing.

Why not see what a typical family will be doing in preparation for the holidays? The setting is Christmas Eve. The whole family is gathered around the tree with the exception of little sister who has just reached the creeping stage and is now crawling around underneath said tree cursing viciously for her cigarettes.

CHRISTMAS PAST

Grandpa, who lives in the past anyway, is running around confusedly with a burning match in his hand trying to light the electric bulbs.

Fido is sitting in the corner quietly munching away at the contents of a box of Christmas tree ornaments.

Mother is standing at one end of the room, strenuously slinging tinsel at the tree because someone once told her that the effect would be more artistic. The result is a rather discouraging group

of lumps at the ends of the lower branches.

Father, as usual, is sitting in his easy chair contentedly viewing the peaceful scene. When Father receives the notices from the six overdrawn charge accounts there will be a slight shift of scenery.

A car pulls up in front of the house and everyone draws a deep breath (in hopes that it's for the people next door). Uncle Louis, Aunt Emmie, and their ten little terrors emerge. Company on Christmas Eve—how nice! Are they planning to stay long—oh, just till after New Year's—wouldn't think of imposing—what time is dinner tomorrow. After all, blood is thicker than water and since they're Father's kin, Mother has decided that relatives can go a good distance toward being pretty thick themselves at times.

Christmas morning is the best thrill of all, with its exclamations of "just what I've always wanted, now I've got fifteen pyrex frying pans," and "I can't imagine where you ever found these lovely burlap hankies," and "oh, what lovely nail polish, the latest thing, 'billious green' they call it." Merry Christmas!

Steinbauer Directs Research Committee

George P. Steinbauer, associate professor of botany in the college of agriculture, has been reappointed chairman of the research committee of the Association of Official Seed Analysts of North America for the coming year.

The analysts' association is concerned with uniform practices of testing commercial seeds throughout the country. The research committee of which Dr. Steinbauer is chairman coordinates improvements and developments of the profession.

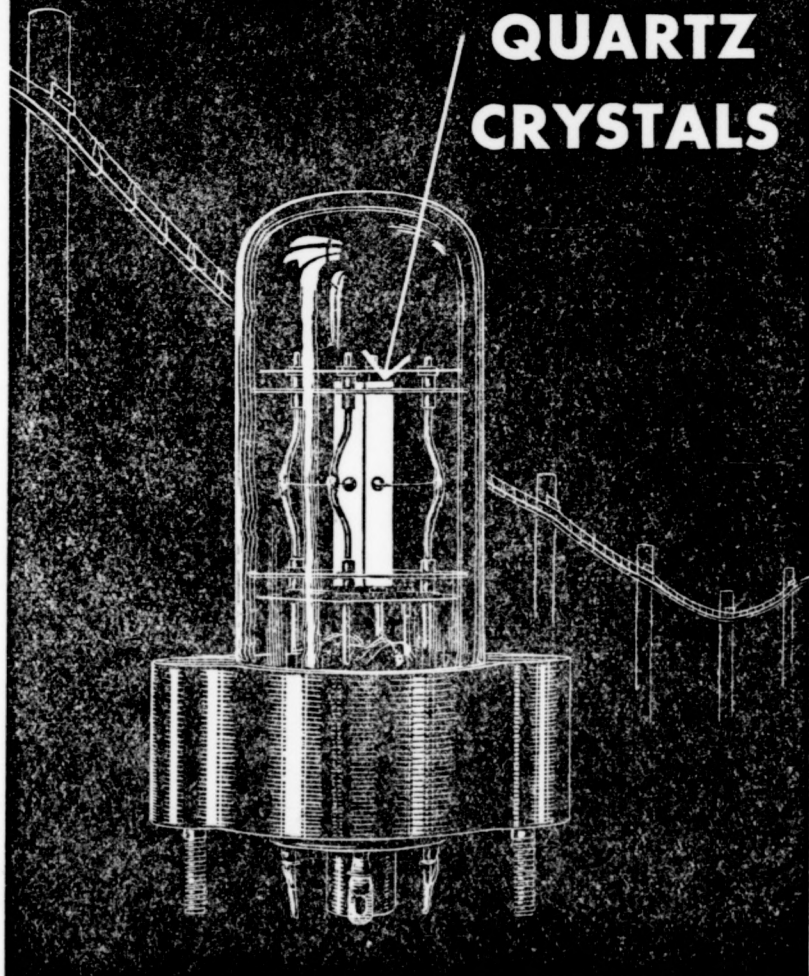
Dr. Steinbauer has been associated with the University of Maine since 1929. He holds three degrees from University of Minnesota and is well known for his studies in the field of seed analysis.

Flying may be just kid stuff, after all.

The civil aeronautics authority in Washington reports experiments in actual flight training among high school students showed they equalled progress of college students in similar training. (ACP)

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Here at Maine it is 2nd Lt. Lawrence Hale Connevey who shoulders all of these responsibilities. When the ASTU was inaugurated here he was made Company Supply Officer. He became Battalion Supply Officer last August.

Lt. Connevey was born on September 6, 1919, at Midlothian, Texas. After graduating from Hillsboro High School he went to Texas A & M where he majored in Electrical Engineering for four years. He was a member of the Signal Corps ROTC there.

He entered the Army in May, 1942, and was placed on temporary duty at Parin Field, Texas. He was later assigned to Signal School at Ft. Monmouth, N. J. His next assignment was instructor of Signal Corps ROTC at Maine.

Lt. Connevey likes his work at the University, finding it interesting and active.

He approves of the cadet system and believes it "is being carried out well here. The men are gaining very valuable training. The program is also very well organized."

Gladys Merrill, senior, is the only co-ed at Washington State college currently majoring in animal husbandry. (ACP)

Twelve Appointments
Made To Prism Staff

Barbara Higgins, editor-in-chief of the *Prism*, has announced the following appointments to the year book's staff: assistant pictorial editors, Barbara Akeley, Madeline Nevers, and Muriel Peterson; assistant activities editor, Norma Herzing; assistant photography editor, Graydon Kay; and assistant subscription managers, Florence Armstrong, Marilyn Coy, Priscilla Shaw, Bob Graves, Curt McClellan, and Mary Hurley. Carolyn Small will assist in proof reading.

Maine Chatter

By Pvt. Jim Barry

Having changed our politics to the locally prevalent Republican party in the hopes of gaining a few strong party men who will undergo the torture of cavorting thru this column for the good of the cause, we again set out to annoy typesetters, contribute to the paper shortage, and most important—fill space until the advertising dept can talk the bookstore into another full page ad and the circulation dept gets over its carelessness.

At the outbreak of this column last semester we put forth a policy, and at the journey's end of said semester we acknowledged our lack of ever attaining it—sooooo—this three months no policy at the beginning, no apologies at the end—having set nothing as our goal we have already more than attained it—now we may continue—blissfully proud of our achievement. (Ed note: Won't somebody please buy this space? It ain't expensive, honest.) Fine thing, here he is trying to sell space when he can't even sell the paper—The alumni get it included in their dues—the students in their tuition—the faculty out of their salaries—and now somebody is all for suggesting to Lt. Connevey that it be made a GI issue.

But in the meantime it ain't a GI issue, so why don't some of you money men in uniform save up four bits and buy a subscription to this—just to be original—you are the only ones that get an opportunity to subscribe—everyone else has it wished on them. (Certainly, I bought a subscription—did you ever have an editor standing

735 Civilians Enroll
For Winter Term

Figures on the winter term enrollment were released this week by the Registrar's office showing a total of 735 civilian students registered. Broken down by classes, there are 7 graduate students, 118 seniors, 152 juniors, 117 sophomores, 321 freshmen, and 20 special students.

One hundred ninety-nine new ASTP students are enrolled in basic training at the University. There are three new ASTP's registered. Half of the ASTP's were transferred at the end of last term.

Sam Collins, head proctor, Henry Hagman, William Bickford, and Walter Brooks are the newly appointed proctors at Phi Mu Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma.

over you with a poised typewriter?) But enough with such drivel—it's a campus activity well worthy of your support.

You dear readers will never know the suffering incurred while writing such a column as this—When we re-arrived on the campus last week Maine weather was doing its best to fulfill the I-told-you-so dept of the local residents when this witty scribe gathered inspiration for a masterpiece of droll—he deemed to change the words of a popular ditty for the benefit of the southern lads—from I am dreaming of a white Christmas to I am dreaming of a warm (punch line) Christmas. . . . And now as I sit perpetuating this public menace, the white stuff is sliding from the roof and the rebel lads are starting to wear their ears again.

ASTP Notes

This, girls, is the "typical soldier-trainee" as he looked during the first term of the Army Specialized Training Program at the first twelve institutions activated in the program: He was 24.3 years old, 5 feet 8.7 inches tall, and weighed 158.3 pounds.

Ed. Note—He may have grown younger since then.

Interest of soldier-trainees in joining the Student Union at the University of Minnesota has increased greatly since trainees have received places on the Student Union Board of Governors, it is reported by authorities at the university. Soldiers are required to bear expenses involved in joining Student Unions.

A postcard from President Edward C. Elliott of Purdue University is sent to parents of each soldier-trainee who arrives at the campus for training in the ASTP. The card explains that the training is vital to the war effort and that, at the same time, the soldier's academic work will count toward a degree.

An analysis of physical efficiency test reports shows that the AST Unit at Georgia School of Technology achieved the highest physical efficiency rating among Cycle I institutions. Baylor University took top honors among Cycle II institutions.

Second places went to the University of Michigan in Cycle I and to the University of California at Los Angeles in Cycle II.

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