

JULIAN AND SMITH ELECTED TO ANNUAL PUBLICATION POSTS

Appointments Will Be Made At Close Of Holidays

James Julian and Wilbur Smith were elected by secret ballot last week as editor and business manager respectively of The Houstonian.

Other members of the staff elected by the student body were assistant editor and assistant business manager. Douglas Carter, Day College sophomore, was elected assistant editor, and Dorothy Cely was elected assistant business manager.

"Students who really do the work will be the ones who will have places on the staff. There will be no place awarded because of position, friendship, or popularity," Julian said.

Work has begun on the annual and other staff members will be appointed immediately after the Christmas holidays.

U. OF H. SINGERS WILL APPEAR ON PROGRAM FRIDAY

At the initial appearance of the University Singers Friday night at assembly, the club will present a Christmas program for students of the University of Houston.

"We are happy," stated Mrs. Pearl Marvel Martin, "to present the first music program of this type ever to be presented before the student body of the University of Houston."

The program will include popular Christmas carols of all nations. A special feature of the entertainment is a reading by Sally Powers. The old French song, The Three Kings, will be sung by a trio composed of Alfred Butler, W. J. Cooksey, and C. B. Doolan. The New Jerusalem, a modern composition, will be sung as a tenor solo by Jack Burleson. Edith Reddick and Tula Boozalis will sing as a duet the well-known selection, "Heavenly Baby Sleep," by Norman Light Hill.

Climaxing the program the entire student body will join in singing the four best-loved Christmas carols of America.

Guild Announces Membership Change

At an informal business meeting of the University Guild, formerly the Harris Literary Guild, held at the home of Miriam Smith Saturday evening, December 14, requirements for membership were discussed. After a motion made by Ralph Pierce, the constitution was amended to provide for the new membership clause.

The amendment reads as follows: "The membership committee may receive written applications from any freshman desiring to join the Guild at the beginning of each school year. Fifteen applicants will be selected by the Guild, ten of whom shall be voted upon and made members at mid-term." The adoption of this amendment met with practically no opposition.

Following the business session, the group enjoyed dancing, pool, and cards which were followed with refreshments.

Engineers' Group Hears W.A. Cathey Speak On Patents

W. A. Cathey, patent attorney, addressed the University of Houston Society of Engineers Friday, in the music room. He spoke on "Kinds of Patents and Methods of Obtaining Them."

"Contrary to general public opinion," said Mr. Cathey, "a patent is not issued primarily for the purpose of protecting the inventor, but to reward him for disclosing the invention or process to the government."

"Thomas Jefferson wrote out in long-hand the first patent ever issued in the United States. That was back in 1791. Since that time over two million patents have been taken out. They are now being issued at the rate of about 700 per week."

"The United States leads the world in invention. The term 'Yankee ingenuity' is well merited when one considers that this country invents as many new devices as the See ENGINEERS' GROUP page 4

COLLEGIAN OPEN HOUSE PLANNED MONDAY NIGHT

Cougar Collegians of the University of Houston will hold open house Monday evening, December 23, from 8 to 10 p. m. at the home of Jane Jennings, 1652 Kipling.

Decorations will be in keeping with the yuletide season and the refreshments will carry out the Christmas colors.

The group receiving will include the officers of the club who are Algerine Allen, Huberta Wilson, Evelyn Nicoll, Margaret Lang, and Jane Jennings.

Those assisting in hostess duties are Mrs. Pearl C. Bender, Mrs. Bessie Ebaugh, and Mrs. H. H. Jennings.

Through out the evening, the members of the club will serve in the dining room are Ann Owen, Hermoine Fuqua, Nelda Eaves, Grace Dustin, Jonnie Pace, Elizabeth Murray, Rui Lawrence, Jane Rogers, Lois Ehlers, Margaret Ames, Lolita Woods, Florence Hedrick, Julia Lefevre, Kathryn Berry, Isabel Ackerman, and Lois Fuller.

Spanish Club Given Christmas Party

In the manner that Mexico celebrates the Christmas season, El Foro Espanol will hold their annual Christmas party Friday, December 27, 8 p. m., at the home of Wilma Humphrey, 6726 Sherman.

The feature of the evening will be a Mexican pinata, a vessel containing gifts and candies. Guests are blindfolded and allowed to strike at the pinata until it is broken, thereby releasing its contents.

Mr. Avila de la eVga and Mr. Francis Nevin, honorary members, will be guests.

There will be an admission charge See SPANISH CLUB page 4

RED MASQUE DRAMATISTS PRESENT SUCCESSFUL PLAY

ROUSSEL SPEAKS TO JOURNALISTS ON NEWS WORK

The Houston Press City Editor Explains Technicalities

"The amount of work it takes to get out a daily paper escapes the average reader," said Royal Roussel of the Houston Press in speaking to the Journalism class at the University of Houston on the subject of 'Getting Out a Newspaper today!'

"Take for instance, the dock story appearing in tonight's paper. Ordinarily it takes a reader about five minutes to run through it, yet two reporters have been detailed to remain on the dock constantly, since October 11, so that if any thing should break, any trouble start, they would be there when it happened."

Flood Grows

Taking up the story of how the papers handled the recent flood situation, Mr. Roussel said that was the sort of story that grew and at the beginning one couldn't realize that it was going to be so big.

"The first intimation that there was any thing going on came when someone called from Shady Acres for a boat to rescue them. Even then See ROUSSEL SPEAKS Page 3

FRESHMAN DANCE ATTRACTS CROWD

The Freshmen dance was pronounced a success both from a financial and entertainment standpoint. About a hundred couples attended the affair which was held at the University Club last Friday.

Miss Vivian Kroll was the feature attraction at the floor show held during the intermission. Al Aron was the master of ceremonies.

"I am happy that the affair turned out as well as it did," said Billy Miller, freshman president. "We spared no effort to make the dance as enjoyable as possible and believe we succeeded in a large measure."

Music for the dance was furnished by Boots Randall and his twelve-piece orchestra.

George Crate Wins Scribes' Recognition

George Crate's editorial, "Good Versus the Best," was recognized by Daniel Baker scribes who published it as one of their leading editorials in a recent issue of the Collegian, student publication for Daniel Baker College of Brownwood.

This article, which appeared in a previous issue of the Cougar, was written by George Crate who is one of Fred R. Birney's journalism students at the University of Houston.

"God Versus the Best" took an otherwise hackneyed idea and presented it in a new way. In brief, the keynote, as hinted by the title, of the article is that one should strive to attain the best rather than that which is good enough.

CAPACITY AUDIENCE WITNESSES SHOWING OF COMEDY MYSTERY

Snapp Outstanding In "The Howling Dog;" Set Good

"The Howling Dog," latest production of the Red Masque Players, played to a capacity audience Wednesday night in the university auditorium. It was directed by L. Standlee Mitchell and Robert Talley.

The play, a comedy mystery by Claudia Harris, concerned the difficulties of an heiress who was faced with the problem of living in the house of her deceased uncle for six months before inheriting his estate.

The sinister designs of three of the characters almost prevent her from carrying out the details of the will. The timely arrival of a professional ghost-tamer and his assistant ultimately lead to the apprehending of the culprits.

The show was characterized by that attention to minute details that help to make a finished performance. It was very capably directed and the setting very artistically designed.

Snapp Stacks

Gene Snapp's portrayal of the be-whiskered yardman was easily the best individual performance of the show. Although a minor role, it was so well handled that it received much favorable comment. Betty Martin, in her role of Zazu Pittsian ineffectuality, drew many favorable responses to her comic lines.

Mavis Anderson and Milton Caplan, hero and heroine, received much merited praise in their difficult roles. Their air of composure and excellent stage appearance were two assets that served them well. Fred Jones, male comedy lead also turned in a very creditable performance.

Powers Stands Out

Sally Powers, as the distracted mother and female "meanie," was most convincing as the agonized mother of the idiot, Walter Easton. Douglas Carter handled the part of the attorney well. It was a difficult part to play, but he was quite equal to the task.

Edythe Reddick and Joe Wullenschneider, as negro servants, kept the audience roaring at their every entrance. Their comic antics helped to relieve the tension created in some scenes by the wierd occurrences. Rui See HOWLING DOG page 3

Actors Dine To Tune Of Wise Cracks And Very Informal Talks

Following the presentation of the "Howling Dog" the entire cast and various members of the dramatic club were entertained at a banquet at the Old Mexico Inn, Wednesday night.

Informal speeches and, of course, eating held the spotlight. Mr. Mitchell was given a vote of gratitude by the club for his direction of the play. Special attention was also given to Mr. Robert Talley, assistant director, Al Aron, stage manager, and Wilbur Smith, president of the club.

With air of informality prevailing Al Aron and Mavis Anderson led off with a Greta Garbo-Clark Gable act, and was almost imitated by several others had not the proper sense of decorum manage to assert itself in the nick of time. P. S. Reed and Al Gardner spoke amid jeers and boos which prevented their remarks from reaching would-be-listeners, however, all declared that mattered none as their utterings were of no consequence.

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Among other things of notice were Edythe Reddick's capacity for water . . . Norman Pollard's big cigar . . . Lois Fuller sumptuously gowned and beaming with radiance . . . Mr. Mitchell's respect for his wife's authority . . . Milton Caplan and Gene Snapp in their own quiet reserved manner . . . after both turned in such excellent acting . . . Sally Powers getting off the best wise-crack . . . Betty Martin being well-attended by Fred Jones . . . Rui Lawrence running Al Gardner a close race for food-putting-away . . . Joe Wullenschneider and Doug Carter having a spaghetti race . . . while Lois Ehlers, Miriam Smith and Barbara Phelan looked placidly on . . . Carl Amdur saying nothing, but eating plenty.

Mr. Mitchell praised the cast and the off-stage helpers and thanked all concerned for their co-operation.

ALGERINE ALLEN HOUSTON QUEEN

Algerine Allen, popular junior represented the University of Houston as queen in the Coronation Ball at Huntsville last Saturday. This affair is sponsored annually by The Alcalde, year book of the Sam Houston State Teachers College.

Miss Allen was selected by popular vote over six other candidates. This marks the first year that a representative of the school has been asked to attend a function of this nature. Escorts for the various queens were selected from the student body of the host school.

University Four In P.-T. A. Comedy Skit

At a banquet at Henderson School Friday night, the University Four presented a comedy skit, "Nick-Nacks and Gems."

Numerous prominent personages of the Henderson P.-T. A. and Father's Club were ridiculed in a burlesque number, to the tune of "Old McDonald Had a Farm." The popular novelty selection, "The Corn-field Medley," and "Fare Well to Thee" completed the program.

The University Four consists of Alfred Butler, John Burleson, C. B. Doolan, Jr., and Jimmy Willett.

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SHADOW-GOERS

It has been stated that the majority of the students of the University of Houston are those who are working their way through school, either attending the day school and working at night or attending the night branch and working through the day. The students who do this are to be complimented for their ambitious programs, and are to be respected for their ability to carve places in the professional world. But there is one hindrance that ever looms as an important problem—the matter of health. This is particularly true of the people who work all day and then attend classes at night.

A human's ambition is often greater than his measure of strength. A strong constitution is frequently stronger than one's reserve store of energy. Students who come to school at night are subjecting themselves to the inception of serious complications when they do not obtain sufficient relaxation, mentally and physically, and when they do not take the time to eat properly. As winter sets in, there is still another problem—that of coming and going regardless of time and the weather conditions. The students who do not heed the common rules of health and safety are those who should not attempt to procure an education at such handicaps.

Tuberculosis constantly seeks a home in the lungs of people who allow themselves to run down in body. Societies for the prevention of such diseases are frantically trying to impress that upon the people. Pneumonia attacks at the most unexpected times, and similar to tuberculosis and influenza, it haunts those who do not carefully guard their bodies. The surest method of avoiding these plagues is through proper resting and eating. No human is strong enough that he can afford to ignore those rules.

It would be wise for the students of the University to remember that they are in contact with each other, each one associating, possibly, with hundreds of others every night. When one person is subjected to some disease, so is every person in the school. For that reason it is absolutely essential that everyone take all possible precautions so that he may not present himself as a subject susceptible to the hundreds of diseases which might otherwise easily find victims in our school. There is only one way—guard your health.

WITHOUT SUPPORT

It becomes increasingly evident that the university students are not interested in supporting the basketball team. They ignore all pleas for support, and evidently believe school spirit is a manifestation that one drops when he leaves high school. We humbly beg to point to the larger colleges in various parts of the country who have the childish idea that it's a good idea to put in an appearance at games, and who, would you believe it, actually remain for the whole game! Of course we hate to put any one to any trouble, but it is rather disheartening to have four and five spectators at a game. The team is well worth your support, and certainly deserves more than has been given to them. If we might be so bold, we would suggest that you drop around and watch them sometime. You will not be disappointed. The next game will be after the holidays, and a notice of it will appear in the Cougar.

Greetings

Christmas greetings to the students and best wishes for the new year, the second year of the University. We have enjoyed a large increase in enrollment this year over the last and we are looking forward to a bright future. We hope before many more years have passed to have a University campus.

Dr. W. W. Kemmerer.

"As the holiday season approaches it gives me genuine pleasure to extend to you, the student body, sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"The University faces the year of 1936 with bright prospects for continued growth and service to the community. Your loyalty and co-operation are deeply appreciated in making possible the success of the institution, your Alma Mater."

Signed: N. K. Dupre,
Dean.

"The Holiday Season brings happy thoughts to me. There are memories of the early days of the University, then the Junior College, with its small loyal dependent student body. Mingled with these cherished memories are comforting thoughts of the present, and bright hopes for the continued growth of the institution.

"Let me assure you, the students of 1935 and 1936, of our deep gratitude for your enthusiastic support and loyal co-operation.

"To each and every one of the University student I extend the season's Best Wishes."

Signed: Mrs. Pearl C. Bender
Registrar.

Students should be taught the theory of communism as they are the theory of capitalism, says Dr. William Russell of Columbia.

According to Frank Lloyd Wright, long the storm center of American architecture, America suffers from "too much so-called education."

Peace On Earth

"Peace On Earth, Goodwill Toward Men" is the feeling that prevails on the Eve of Christmas. Men in many lands celebrate Christmas, but we Americans are so excited over dances and family get togethers, and so effected by occasional glasses of egg-nogg, wines, and the like, that we are unaware of the fact. Celebrations may vary with the nationalities. All however are held with the purpose of creating good-will and friendship on this day—the Birthday of Christ.

In France, for instance, the home is the center of festivities. Holiday dinners and ceremonial burning of the "Suche," or Yule log, hold the interest of the celebrators. At midnight the revel and happy chatter of the simple country folks is silenced by the ringing of the church chimes. Each merry-maker becomes silent; each merry-maker lights his Christmas candle, a candle streaked with various colors; and each merry-maker proceeds to the church to celebrate the "Noel." The church celebration over, the French peasant folks return home to a gay and joyous Christmas supper that sometimes lasts until dawn.

As dusk settles on Christmas Eve in Germany, doors fly open and exhibit small trees ablaze with countless lights. The trees are decorated only with lights and bon-bons. Separate piles of presents for each individual are arranged beneath the tree.

Norway, Sweden, and Denmark

The Bishop's Spoons

This story was told to me by one of the actors of this comedy, and may be truth or fabrication.

It concerns the close friendship of three Cornell law students. Bob Brady was all the average college student is pictured: gay, carefree, with a magnetic personality, and not particularly studious. Paul Simmons and Charlie Moore also accepted life and enjoyed it as they found it, and they usually found it good. Before graduation these friends made a pact that never would they lose trace of each other and that whenever possible they would meet on the anniversary of their graduation.

The year following graduation, the three remained in New York, each entering separate law firms. They saw each other frequently and their first anniversary was celebrated with a gay dinner party. Toward the end of the evening Brady threw a surprise into their midst.

"Boys, I'm all washed up with law; I'm entering the ministry soon."

The friends were dumfounded. "You a minister! Don't be funny."

"You couldn't save the soul of a mule."

In the course of the following year, Moore and Simmons were transferred by their firms to San Francisco, and left Brady to New York and theology. At first, communications were frequent, but as time went on and the responsibilities of each increased, correspondence became more casual. Nevertheless, each anniversary brought lengthy letters between the three friends. For years it was impossible for the cronies to get together for their anniversary meeting.

All three prospered, especially Brady, who even in fifteen years' time was elevated to the office of Bishop, and deservedly so. He possessed an understanding and charm rarely found in men following such

celebrate in much the same way as Germany.

The Poles celebrate Christmas Eve by strict fasting until the first star appears. Then, after the appearance of that star, feasting begins. A few straws are scattered on the table and a chair is left vacant for the Holy Child.

Christmas in Merry Ole England has always been symbolized by blazing, toothsome, plum-pudding, mince pie, a crackling Yule log, a boar's head, and rosy-cheeked carol singers.

Unlike the American homes, the Italian and Spanish homes are not decorated with the beautiful evergreen. The custom of decorating with evergreen is not looked upon favorably by the Church as it is derived from the pagans. Hence the decorations represent the Nativity. Small replicas of the Birth of Christ, composed of shadowy eaves of paper stones, lambs feeding tranquilly on green cardboard fields, and figures of Mary and the Child reposing under a humble thatched-roof and surrounded by a halo of light, may be found in every home.

Serbians keep open house for three days after Christmas, and everyone, whether friend or foe, is welcome.

Thus Christmas is celebrated all over the world—people dispensing cheer, and making one another happy. This is but the feeble gesture of the human race showing thankfulness for the Birth of Christ.

Nevertheless, he had remained a bachelor. His longing to see his old friends grew to such an extent that his urgent invitation to visit him for their sixteenth anniversary could not be refused.

He greeted them warmly and his apartment delight was unbounded. The friends could not believe that a Bishop could be the same carefree Bob. When they reached his home, they were shown to the guest-room by the Bishop's valet to dress for dinner.

The Bishop came for them and conducted them to the dining-room, where they were presented to the housekeeper, a woman slightly older than the Bishop, very quiet but pleasant. She presided at the table and proved the perfect hostess. The three cronies, as is the habit of men, paid little attention to her as they reminisced and compared incidents of the intervening years.

After dinner, the host took much pride in showing his guests his home. The reception room, while artistic and well appointed, was not especially striking. Apparently the Bishop's particular joy was his dining-room. Rare silver was his hobby, and many collections had interesting histories. His most prized possession was a set of spoons once treasured by a Czar of Russia, and presented to the Bishop by a noble Russian convert.

The housekeeper's room was all that any woman could desire in a boudoir. The furniture and hangings were exquisitely dainty and toilet articles were of sterling silver.

"Rather unusual housekeeper's quarters," was Simmons' mental comment.

The simplicity of the Bishop's room was quite a contrast to his housekeeper's. An iron bed covered with the plainest of linens, a chest of drawers with a small mirror above, and a straight chair before a simple desk were the only articles of furniture. "Why do you live like this when you have so much luxury around you?" Moore wanted to know.

"In these simple surroundings my soul communes more profoundly with my Maker."

The brief visit over, the guests reached home and had hardly dispatched their bread-and-butter letters when they had a note from the Bishop:

"Dear Paul and Charlie:

I know you merely wanted to play a joke on me when you took my Russian spoons, and it's like old times to be the victim of your pranks, but seriously, those spoons are not only valuable, but they hold a great deal of sentiment for me. I'd be grateful for their immediate return.

Sincerely,

Bob."

No reply. Six weeks later, another letter was sent with the same result. By the end of six months, the Bishop was thoroughly indignant and wrote his friends this scathing note:

"Dear Paul and Charlie:

This joke has gone far enough. I know you have the spoons and unless they are returned immediately I shall take legal action to recover them.

Yours,

Bob."

The reply to the Bishop's note was a wire:

"The spoons are between the sheets of the simple iron bed where your soul communes so profoundly with your Maker.

Paul and Charlie."

Flood --

By Ruth O'Leary,
General College

There is no more unifying force than disaster. Character is revealed in the raw, and one is given an insight into the hearts and minds of his fellows.

During the hours of the waters' rise there were many dramatic scenes enacted, but few people know of the courage shown during the worst hours of the flood at the corner of West Capitol and Trinity street.

The stage of this terrifying play was a street, no longer a passageway for wagons and automobiles, but a surging river eight feet deep, traveling at approximately 30 miles an hour.

The actors of this drama were Lewis Smith and Nunzio Conti. These two boys made us realize that chivalry is not a thing of the past. They took charge of a situation that demanded clear thinking and courageous hearts.

Save Lives

Without illumination, except two small flashlights and the big moon, which God in His mercy permitted to penetrate the clouds, these two boys saved more than fifty lives by manning a canoe back and forth across a relentless current.

There are no words to describe the emotions of fear and relief that hung heavily over all the people concerned. Color and class were forgotten. Whites, Negroes and Mexicans worked as one. Families were separated. Many, fearing their fathers, mothers or children were drowned, became hysterical. Conti and Smith made trip after trip carrying the marooned half-crazed negroes to safety. They were aided by a rope stretched across the most dangerous part of the current. As the canoe reached knee-deep water, men waded out and carried the people from the canoe to the steps of a dwelling at 1530 West Capitol. The negroes walked through this house to dry land.

Babe in Arms

One woman landed safely with a 2-weeks-old baby in her arms. She proudly displayed the child and when someone remarked that it was very cute, she answered, "Yas, ma'am, she sho is, and she's sho fair!" Incidents such as this relieved the tension and gave everyone concerned a breathing space; but the two boys in the canoe labored for hours, stopping only occasionally to gulp down hot coffee.

About 2:30 Monday morning, after endless telephoning to various sections of the city, several motor boats were secured. Aid was received at this time from the national guards and the Red Cross. These motor boats replaced the canoe as rescue craft, but there were none to replace Nunzio Cinti and Lewis Smith who were finally persuaded to rest after more than six hours of continuous paddling.

Monday night when the water was receding and safety for most had been assured, Nunzio Conti nonchalantly remarked that he couldn't swim. Nunzio Conti, a young man who can't swim and who had had no nourishment for hours, along with his companion, Lewis Smith, is responsible for many negroes being alive today. A man can do no more than lay down his life for another. That is just what these two did each time they crossed the turbulent waters.

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Santy, a down pillow would make Mrs. Bob Casey's nap in government more enjoyable. Please bring Jimmie Martin a full-length photo of Nelda Eaves as he contends that she has "a beautif'lto—af'etaoietaaoo has "a beyewtiful body by Fisher." . . . Bring Molly Schimmel and Delbert Sherfy a pair of legal handcuffs or a pistol to put them out of their misery.

B'lieve it or nuts, Frank McWhorter wants a detailed map of "Little Africa." . . . E. M. Ammons wants a bullet-proof vest for use in the next war . . . Betty Martin wants a blonde boy friend (only gentlemen need apply). . . . M. J. Barnett, Doris Kennedy, and Jimmie Hussion want a private cuddling corner on the campus so they won't have to use the front of the school . . . and Mavis Anderson desires a book on tactful behavior.

And don't forget, Carmen Stone wants a bib so she'll not forget her childish remark: "I'm going to tell on you." . . . Billy Miller could use a football suit to guarantee himself against injuries as he broken field dances across the floor. . . . Joe "Valarie or None" Wullenschneider needs a private secretary to keep his date list straight. (Notice: One good lap-sitter needed). . . . and Pat Foley, Guy Hamilton, and R. T. Claire need girl friends so they won't have to dance with another at the dances.

As the dignified (?) profs cannot be forgotten, you must bring Miss Soncrant a publicity man to cover her B. A. classes. . . . Mr. Mitchell, a recording which will repeat "QUIET, PEOPLE" . . . and to Dr. Werlin a "ghost writer" to preserve for posterity his humorous reminiscences of Russia.

Hoga Walter confidentially informed me that he could use a new prolate spheroid (football, you dope). As a personal favor, give Walter Peine a book on "What to tell a teacher," and Lumajoe Weiner (the girl that receives so much adverse publicity) some trivial token of something or another.

And Santy. Old Pal, please see

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Personals

James Coulson, former president of the student body of the University of Houston, is now a freshman law student in the university. He will return to Houston for the holidays.

Hazel Chinn, a graduate of San Jacinto and a former student of the University of Houston, and now attending the University of Texas, will have as her guest during the holidays Miss Evelyn Smidt of El Campo.

Bud Steeger, Jimmie Brinkley, and Dorothy Lee Bajligethy, former students of the U. of H. and now attending the University of Texas, will spend the Christmas holidays in Houston.

Dr. and Mrs. Werlin and Dr. and Mrs. Hiller will spend the Christmas holidays in Monterrey, Mexico.

Harry Gray, Marjorie Willke, Carl Lieb, Tom Hudson, and June Learned, former students of the U. of H. who are now attending the University of Texas, will spend the holidays in Houston.

Huberta Wilson left Friday morning for Austin, where she will attend the A. T. O. formal.

Elaine and W. E. Bradbury will spend the holidays in Waller.

Esther Edmondson will spend the holidays in Tomball.

Iola Barron will return to Bryan for the Christmas holidays.

Fay Cook will spend the holidays with her parents in Alvin.

that all the students, faculty members, and administrators of the U. of H. receive a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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it didn't seem important enough to send a reporter out there. But when, within an hour, people calling to know if there had been a cloud-burst in the Heights we realized that something big was happening."

After telling how the entire staff worked all Sunday setting up the type for Monday's edition, Mr. Roussel spoke of the way in which the story was broken up so that no one subject would be too long. It was divided into three main sections:

1. What was happening to Houston, especially the downtown district.
2. What happened in county or territory outside of Houston.
3. Human interest stories.

Work Overtime

"The entire staff worked eighteen hours Sunday on the story" continued Mr. Roussel, "but behind every story of any importance there is the same amount of work."

Relating some of his experiences in the field of crime, spoke of his own story of the escape of Raymond Hamilton and how it won the prize as the best story of 1934.

"I wish someone would tell me why crime stories hold such a fascination for the public. The papers feature crime because that is what

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- - - Howling Dog - - -

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Lawrence, as the aged friend of the heroine, and Barbara Phelan, as the frightened maid, handled their respective parts skillfully.

A musical program under the direction of Edith Carlton entertained between acts. The proposed University of Houston school song proved a big favorite with the audience.

Al Aron, as the howling dog, was excellent as the offstage effect.

the public wants and while we do not promote a story in order to sell a paper, still the front page in the show window of the paper and as crime has the greatest interest, it makes front page every time."

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Never see Charlie Chernosky unless he is with Elizabeth Greedy or Jerry Bentley . . . That should make him about the luckiest guy in school . . . Al Gardner is knee-deep in politics these days . . . Running for editor of the annual . . . Wish he would hurry up and pass out the cigars . . . Betty Martin seems to show interest in both Ed Harris and Wilbur Smith . . . And here comes one of our favorite people—Margaret Ames . . . Wonder why there has been so little interest in the annual election . . . It's been a long time since we've seen such spinelessness and indecision at U. of H. . . Put your money on Mavis Anderson to score in dramatic work this year . . . She seems to have what it takes . . . We even heard the prediction that she will get the nod for the lead in the big show of the year—"Death Takes a Holiday." . . . Gus Heiss seems lost this year without Jane Neville . . . But then so does Evelyn Nicoll while Harry Gray is at Texas U. . . Edythe Reddick won all the money in the penny-matching contests at the dramatic club buffet supper . . . She should have won, as the odds were HEAVY in her favor . . . Charles Giraud and M. J. Barnett are always in the middle of the bull sessions on football in front of the building every night . . . Just two All-American grandstand quarterbacks . . . Gil Womack's back in school after a short absence . . . Says he's neither been sick nor in jail, so we wonder . . . Nominations for our two most bashful boys go to David Boston and John Burns . . . Edward Chan has a hard time convincing people that his first name is not "Charlie" . . . Richard Cole is perhaps the most outspoken person in school . . . James Walker came out last week nattily attired in a new outfit . . . to go with his new mustache supposedly . . . Vivian Krull is teaching dancing as a side-line . . . Don't be surprised if about half of our boys sign up with her . . . Spiking a rumor: Ruie Lawrence and Dan Makeig are not cousins (see Mr. Talley for explanation) . . . Jack Roe was formerly a boxing champion of the Middle West States . . . Cecil Ross was pretty handy with his dukes, too . . . The quietest of our maidens: Garnett Pickett . . . Violette Moliere may put an ad in the Cougar . . . but don't ask us why! . . . Jack Obanion is chasing after Bonnie Luscher (we hear) . . . And Pat Foley is neglecting the ladies again this year . . . that is, all but Ann Owen who will always be the tops for Pat.

Mrs. Henderson: "You're going to drive me out of my mind!"

Mr. Henderson: "That ain't no drive, my dear—that's a putt."

Cholly: "After all, fools help to make life interesting. When all the fools are killed off, I don't want to be here."

Molly: "Don't worry; you won't be."

Says one Mississippi College co-ed, the best reason for coming to college is her's: "I came to college so I could make more money so I could go to more places and see more things."

The cash value of a college education has been placed at \$72,000.

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Typing Class Sponsors Exhibit

An exhibition in typing sponsored by the University of Houston, was held during Miss Warren's typing class, Thursday evening.

The exhibition was given by Miss Dorothy Dow, national typewriting champion of 1933, Miss Marie Thiem, champion in 1934, and Miss Alice Zika, national champion of 1935.

The exhibition, designed as an educational feature for students, was for the purpose of stressing the importance of rhythm in typing, this factor being important since typing efficiency depends on rhythm.

It is interesting to note that each of the three national champions is less than twenty years old. Miss Dow is 19 years old, and Misses Thiem and Zika are each 17 years of age. All three come from Cleveland, Ohio, and had the same instructress in typing.

These young ladies, who have been making an extended tour, were brought to Houston by the educational department of the Woodstock Typewriter Company.

EXCERPTS

The Women's National Republican Club has announced an "anti-New Deal school of political science" for young women of New York.

Nineteen deaths attributable to football directly or indirectly have occurred this season. College football produced only one fatality, high school play 14.

Almost all American colleges have now established dancing as a regular part of their curricula.

Woman's Faculty Club Entertains

The Women's Faculty club of the University of Houston entertained with its annual Christmas dinner Saturday evening at the Plaza hotel.

The club colors of blue and silver were reflected in the table appointments with blue tapers in silver holders adorning the tables and miniature silver Christmas trees were used for place cards.

In the receiving line were the past presidents of the organization, Mesdames E. E. Oberholtzer, Pearl C. Bender, Edna Minor, E. W. Schuhmann and Lyle T. Hooker, and the present officers. Mrs. W. W. Kemmerer, president; Mrs. C. F. McElhenney, Mrs. Fred E. Smith, Mrs. Joseph E. Werlin, and Mrs. H. F. Black, an honorary member.

Mrs. Percy Pennybacker of Austin was a guest of honor.

The students of the Music Study club of the day school of the University of Houston, under the direction of Mrs. Edith Lord Carlton, presented a floor show and small gifts were exchanged during the Christmas tree hour. Reservations were made for 80 guests.

The organization is composed of wives of the faculty members and women faculty members.

Spanish Club

(Continued from Page 1.) of 25 cents. To make reservations, call Sadie Williford at H-7927 or Wilma Humphrey at W-2060. Old members are especially invited to be present on this occasion.

The committee in charge of party arrangements consists of: Wilma Humphrey, chairman, Willie Cooksey, Grace Dustin, Edith Fox, Frank Summers, and Sadie Williford.

Engineers' Group

(Continued from Page 1.) rest of the world combined. Incidentally, inventors in Houston have applied for as many patents for oil field equipment as the rest of the United States."

Mr. Cathey stressed accuracy in design and touched on the many industries where inventive minds could find fertile fields. Never invent anything for which there is no demand, he continued. Look over the particular field, then go ahead.

He is the first of a series of prominent speakers which the organization will invite to speak before its members. The U. H. S. E. has extended a cordial invitation to everyone to be present at its next meeting when another person prominent in some phase of engineering will speak.

DEBATE DEFERRED DUE TO ILLNESS

Indefinite postponement of the debate between the University of Houston and South Texas School of Law teams was announced by Professor Harvey W. Harris Wednesday.

The debate, scheduled for December 19, was called off due to the illness of several members of the law class. Question of the debate is the contention that Congress should have the power to override decisions of the supreme court in the same manner of overriding the president's veto.

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