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## Friday Hop Fate Sought

### Greeks, Germans Aroused By Poll

In response to wide-spread student dissatisfaction and demand for a remedy, the German Club met with the Pan-Hellenic Council last Monday to study the situation of the unsuccessful double dance on the Mountain.

It was decided to conduct a survey of all the fraternities, through their German representatives, and gather opinions on the double hops and suggestions for improvement of the dances in general. The Club plans to make a careful study of the fraternity reports and from them to draw up a schedule for dances next year.

In an informal Sunday afternoon survey by the PURPLE last week in the Union, opinions seemed to favor abolishment of the Friday night dance, reduced prices by securing good bands without national fame and lack of interest in dancing four hours two nights in a row.

German Club members hold varying ideas on the subject. John May is in favor of continuing the double sets only for such big occasions as Thanksgiving and Commencement, but never having one so soon after a vacation.

"The abolishment of the Friday night dance would, I believe, incite larger attendance at the set on Saturday. Or if the set is to be continued why not have a costume dance or some other deviation from the usual formal?" says John Broome.

Van Davis, who is the Theological School representative, comments that he is all in favor of the dance sets. "The more the better. We used to have a large crowd at both dances and I don't see why we can't now. It is just lack of student interest!"

Several other representatives said that if it would be possible to combine the rather lagging spirit of the usual dance set into one highly spirited group at the Saturday night dance and increase the attendance it would be highly desirable while abolishing the set, provided that the fraternities would arrange adequate entertainment for the night of the missing dance.

Next week the PURPLE will announce the results of the fraternity survey and also the German Club plans for next year. Any one wishing to comment on the PURPLE on any phase of the dance week-ends is welcomed to write to the Letters column.

## Abundance of Belles Attend Bellhops' Ball

Preparations are in high gear at the Sewanee Military Academy this week for the Mid-Winter Dances which will be held this Friday and Saturday night.

Cadet Bob Watson, president of the Cotillion Club, said that the final list of dates coming up for the weekend has not been completed; but he believes that the total will be well above the average for the usual Mid-Winter set.

Much work has been done by the decorations committee of the Cotillion Club to provide a gala atmosphere for the Cadets and their dates. A promised good music has been provided by the club, and Watson has extended a welcome to all Academy alumni who are able to attend.

## Concert Cancelled

Because of illness, Miss Mary McCollum, soprano, will be unable to appear at a Sewanee for her previously scheduled concert on February 14. The Music Club received word from her manager that Miss McCollum will be off tour for at least six weeks.



History was made last week when the Sewanee Debate Council sent four debaters to a Miami, Florida, tournament by private plane. Pictured above are the four adventurers, (left to right) Mark Johnson, Jerry Stallings, Brown Patterson, and "Smilin' Jack" Stan Lachman. The quartet created a mild sensation at the tournament when their plane arrived at the Miami airport a few minutes before the tournament began. The picture below was taken at the Tullahoma airport by PURPLE photographer Walter Neace a few minutes before the debaters took to the air.

### "Operation Miami"

## Airborne Debaters Fare Well In Miami Tourney

After deciding against landing on the University golf course the plane circled and headed toward Tullahoma. A few minutes later when the wheels of the plane touched ground, "Operation Miami" was successfully concluded.

Sewanee airborne debaters not only arrived home early Monday morning after a successful 1200 mile flight, they also returned with a creditable showing at the three day tournament held at the University of Miami this past weekend.

## Cadets Organize AFROTC Club

### Organization Will Give Military Ball

New to Sewanee's organizations is the ROTC Cadet Club, which has as its main objective the increase of cadet prestige on the Mountain, both militarily and socially.

Officers are Bob Mumby, president; Tito Hill, vice-president; and Dave Little, secretary and treasurer. Committee chairmen are Lucas Myers, decorations; and Robie Moise, publicity.

The club plans to sponsor a dance in the spring in the place of the annual German Club Spring Dance. It will be a military ball, tentatively scheduled for May 3.

Each class of ROTC has elected a representative to the social club. President Mumby stated that many plans are under consideration and will be announced when they are more definite. Each AF ROTC unit in the country has an organization similar to the one on the Mountain.

## Senator Harry Cain To Speak In Nashville

U. S. Senator Harry P. Cain of Washington State, Sewanee, class of '27, will be the principal speaker at the Lincoln Day Dinner to be held at the Maxwell House Hotel, Saturday, February 16.

Senator Cain was born in Nashville; and, while at Sewanee, majored in classical literature and languages. He lettered in four sports and edited the school paper.

After graduation from Sewanee, Cain returned to Tacoma, Washington, where his family had moved in 1931. He immediately became active in business and civic enterprises. He was elected mayor of Tacoma and served in that post until he entered the U. S. Army.

In 1946, he was elected to the Senate on the Republican ticket, and has served there since that date.

## Gownsmen Consider Proctor Controversy At Meeting Tonight

By BOB FOWLER  
Editor

A controversial campus issue will be aired tonight at the meeting of the Order of Gownsmen in the Science building at 7:15. A group of irate students assure gownsmen a lively meeting when they present a resolution aimed at a number of University proctors.

A spokesman for the group informed the PURPLE that the action follows several months of questionable conduct on the part of student dormitory leaders. In particular, they question methods which proctors have adopted in monitoring student behavior.

Agitation has grown out of frequent incidents where proctors have reported unpleasantness to the dean of men for disciplinary action. Besides objecting to this means of "expedient correction" anti-proctor spokesmen avoid an emphatic disapproval of the manner in which this is being done.

They maintain that unpleasantness have frequently been "turned in" for minor offenses without being notified by the proctors. It is reported that several instances of this sort have occurred recently when a gownsmen was not aware of his misdemeanor until summoned by the Dean.

Last week sentiments reached a climax when one student had his gownsmen privileges taken away for disciplinary reasons. It is reported that improper conduct in the University dining hall was his offense.

Some give the opinion that a few proctors have found it easier to report students for misconduct rather than to reason with them. Others assert that some of the proctors "just aren't student leaders."

An authoritative source has informed the PURPLE that the resolution to be presented to the gownsmen for endorsement is as follows:

1. That the Order of Gownsmen object to the methods used to attempt to impose discipline on members of the student body.

2. That any proctor who cannot do his job without resorting to these means be requested to resign his position.

## Alumnus Ellis Arnall Is Now Price Administrator

Ellis Arnall, KA, '28, took over his new job of price administrator in Washington last Monday, following his appointment by President Truman. The former governor of Georgia succeeds Michael DiSalle in the position. After leaving Sewanee, Mr. Arnall received an LL.B. from the University of Georgia. In 1947, he was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Laws from the University of the South, and has also received a DCL from Bryant College.

Sewanee Professor Eugene M. Kayden, who remembers Arnall when he was an undergraduate at Sewanee, commented: "He was an interested and hard-working student who thought clearly and freely on his own. His latest book, *What the People Want*, is an excellent representation of the political, social and psychological aspects of the country."

To take the \$16,000 a year job as OPS head, Arnall will take a leave of absence from his prosperous law firm, his \$25,000 a year job as president of the Independent Motion Picture Producers Association and the presidency of the Dixie Insurance Company.

When asked by the press for a comment, he said, "I have no extraordinary ability, am no economist, and know of no magic formula which will solve our price problem. Someone must ever be willing to perform the difficult, tough, unpopular and thankless tasks which are necessary to preserve our economic stability and



Ellis Arnall

## Old Cigar Store Indians Continue To Fade Away

By Leonard Wood

With the disappearance of the good five-cent cigar, another item of American history has faded away—the cigar store Indian. Mr. W. Porter Ware of the University of the South announced forthcoming publication of his second book, "Cigar Store Figures in American Folk Art." This work, compiled and written in 1950 by Mr. Ware, working to-

### Blue Key Competition To Be Held on May 4

The 1952 Blue Key Sing will be held on Sunday, May 4, at 3 p.m., in the Quadrangle, with the Science Hall steps serving as the stage. If it rains, the Sing will take place in the new auditorium.

Blue Key has decided upon the following rules to govern the contest:

- Two selections of any type;
- Both selections will be a cappella;
- There will be 13 judges: the director of each participating group, and three faculty members, Dr. Grimes, Dr. Jordan, and Dr. Wilmer.

The Blue Key cup, won by Kappa Sigma last year, will be presented to the first choice of the judges.

### Alumnus Schneider '17 At Government Post

Sewanee alumnus J. Thomas Schneider, ATO, '17, was sworn in as assistant secretary of commerce last Thursday, January 31, in ceremonies at Washington.

Prior to accepting the new post, Mr. Schneider served as director of personnel in the Department of Defense. He has held several other high positions with the government.

A native of Cedar Hill, Tennessee, Mr. Schneider received his law degree from Harvard, after his graduation from the University of the South. He practiced law in New York for several years before entering governmental service.

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gether with Mr. A. W. Pendergast of Terre Haute, Ind., after some years of research, will appear in late 1952 in Chicago, the publisher being the Lightner Publishing Corporation of that city. This firm will print and market the book in Chicago.

Cigar Store figures go back far into our past. In the 17th and 18th centuries in England, the English sought some type of advertisement for American tobacco exported from our shores. The American Indian, who introduced tobacco to the colonists, and the Negro slave who worked the crop, were confused in the minds of foreigners. Consequently, early examples of carved creatures were known as "black boys," having the Indian headdress but resembling the American Negro. Early figures held a pipe in the right hand, and their bodies were draped in tobacco leaf skirt. Illustrations of them will appear in the book.

Although Mr. Ware states that cigar store Indians made their appearance in this country in the 18th Century, the vogue itself caught on as a fad about 1840, when such famous figures as the McAlpin Indian stood on Catherine Street in New York. Carvers were often producers of ships' figureheads in the early days of sailing vessels. Many Indians were cut out of old pine masts of ships.

The book will emphasize the fact that a great portion of cigar store figures were not "Indians" at all, but were made as character pieces, such as Punch, Judy, Lord Dunsyre, the "Girl of the Period" (with squirrel on hat for Squirrel Larkie), Turks, baseball players, dancing daddies, and dozens of figures too numerous to outline here. The book gives proportions of each type produced, together with dress and buckle equipment common to any set period, such that a study of these may place the piece in the proper age category.

The Indians, no longer of use, met various stages of fate. Some were discarded on city dumps, others hacked to pieces or used for stovewood, until today there remain about 3,000 cigar store figures, many of which are located on estates, in museums, or inside cigar stores. Attention is called to the Indian in a Nashville store.

Mr. Ware's book will contain some fifty pictures of the more famous carvings. Prices charged by carvers will be outlined, together with present estimated collectors' values. The work has the backing of the New York State Historical Association at Cooperstown, and the New York Historical Society in New York City. The latter will arrange a lecture by Mr. Ware in New York in 1953.

Mr. Ware's first book appeared three years ago: "Occupational Shaving Mugs," and it is advertised monthly in a collector's magazine.

### Betas Fete District Chief

Gamma Chi chapter of Beta Theta Pi was recently visited by Frederick E. Breuleux, of Memphis. Mr. Breuleux is Chief of District XI, which includes Mississippi College, Tulane, Vanderbilt, and Sewanee. The Betas celebrated with an informal buffet supper, followed by a song-fest.



The beautiful damsel above in the seashore scene is Miss Elaine Thorne, formerly of Stockholm, Sweden. Miss Thorne's alma mater is none other than Marjorie Webster College in Washington, D. C. She is the best girl of a discreet Sewanee student who wishes to remain incognito.

## Heedless Independents Triumph 46 to 45 . . . .

One of the first responses to the editorial encouraging self-expression by the students is the following poem. The author of this parody on the new intramural scene, however, prefers to remain anonymous.

O, sing the muse of Varnell Motors  
Sing of Buicks and De Sotas  
Sing of the Harlem Global Trotter  
And Sing to me with all you gotta.  
The Independents were warmed up  
And ready to go.  
But the Phis, as rumor had it,  
Weren't even gonna show.  
Keiser was the referee  
And voted for default.  
But no sooner had he said so,  
Than strains of song were caught.  
The Phis were dressed in evening  
clothes,  
But without a moment's loss  
They stripped down to essentials  
And lined up for the toss.  
Joe McGrozy missed the shot.  
The Phi's were on the move.  
It looked as if their family honors  
Were this day to be proved.  
Then little Tommy Robertson  
And his partner, Jimmy Seidule

### SMA Swimmers Take Second Place in Meet

The Sewanee Military Academy swimming team finished second in a field of eleven schools behind Georgia Military Academy with a total score of 47 points to G. M. A.'s 61, in the Southeastern Interscholastic Swimming Meet held at Emory University in Atlanta on February 2.

S. M. A. rosters had a lot to cheer about when their 150 Medley Relay team, consisting of Waller, Rust and Kalmbach, knocked off one-tenth of a second from the old Southeastern record and established a new one. This team consists of three rather experienced swimmers and Coach George McCloud expects greater honors for them in the future.

To the disappointment of the Academy's squad, John Hussey, All-American Prep School diving champion, was defeated by a dark horse entry from Knoxville by a small margin of 15 points. This is the first major defeat that John Hussey has suffered in the past two years, and the entire squad felt that this was just one of his off days.

## 51 Men Receive Fraternity Pins

DTD, KA, SAE,  
PDT, KS Initiate

Five fraternities on the Mountain swelled their active ranks in formal initiations this week. Now wearing the pin of Delta Tau Delta; John Eichelman, Fred Fuller, Don Kelly, Richard Hayes, Ralph Patston, Thomas Cifton, Charles Norfleet, Thomas McCrummen, Jack Muir, Jim Kilpatrick, and Hall Brooks.

The KAs admitted ten new men Sunday and Monday nights. They are: Walter Broce, Clark Baker, Stevan Fleming, Richard West, Jimmy Hoppe, Bill Kalmbach, Boone Massey, Charlie Glass, Ted Platt, and Mike Fan.

Now Kappa Sigmas are: Lee Soyne, Hunter Charlton, Ben Cabell, Paul Nash, Dale Donovan, Art Barrett, and Bob Foster.

Phi Delta Theta held their ceremonies Sunday afternoon initiating Bobby Glaze, Ray Terry, Gilbert Marchand, Lewis Lee, Bill Burrill, Richard Corbin, Bill Brantley, James Creveling, Ernest Statham, Ross Evans, Glenn Cobbs, Frank Bozeman, Bill Van Cleave, Jimmy Green, and Pete Garland.

New SAEs are: Tommy Williams, Phil Whitaker, Keith Fort, Joe Lee, Frank Kelo, Russell de Monbrun, Bob Gillespie, and Walter Parker.

### Alumnus' Works Exhibited

Currently featured in the Sewanee Art Gallery is a display of paintings furnished by the National Artists Guild. Included in the exhibit, which will be open February 8 until February 29, are two paintings by an alumnus of the University of the South, Charles Hunt, who lives in Nashville. All students and residents of the Mountain are invited to visit the gallery any time during the day.

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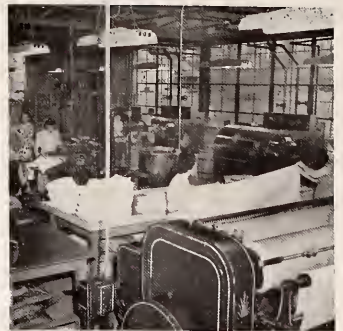




Students and local residents, seated in the University's new auditorium, watch the first act of Moss Hart's "Light Up the Sky." The production was staged last Wednesday night by the Barter Players of Abingdon, Virginia.



Following presentation of commissions to cadet officers in the AFROTC unit, the six flights pass in review before Col. William F. Giltand, Vice-Chancellor Edward McCrady, and others who participated in the ceremony last Wednesday.



Staff-members of the Sewanee Steam Laundry begin work at the new plant which was opened January 28. Destroyed by fire, March 20, 1951, the laundry had to be completely rebuilt and furnished with new equipment.

## 'Audience Pleased By Barter's Merchant Of Venice' Production

By Chris Brown

A few hours of culture by the supreme among playwrights honored those chosen few Thursday night who were able to obtain seats in the University's new but small (350 seat) auditorium.

It was well worth all the pain and discomfort rendered out by my aching back by the straight, wicker-bottomed, "Walsh-halish" chairs provided in this just completed citadel of the drama to witness Woodrow Romoff's cruel and demanding portrayal of Shylock, the Jew, in Barter Theatre's powerful production of William Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice." Or perhaps it wasn't Woodrow Romoff as Shylock, but Shylock himself as Shylock, who held the audience spell-bound throughout the evening; for Mr. Romoff didn't play Shylock—Mr. Romoff *was* Shylock.

This writer suffered with him in the beginning for the fate of his lot; this same writer soon found chills running down his spine at the horror of Shylock's demanding his pound of flesh from the breast of the ill-fated merchant of Venice. For six years I've seen Mr. Romoff take the limelight in dozens of plays, but never had his execution been so completely compelling as that which I witnessed Thursday night. Mr. Shakespeare himself could have asked no more.

Portia Improves

Susan Willis rather disappointed an encircling audience during the first act with her depiction of the much-sought-after Portia. She appeared to have found herself, however, by the second act; and from there on out it was

clear sailing. The courteous scene, probably her most difficult, turned out to be also her best played. All the cast's underplaying it just a rail heightened its impact. Miss Willis has been playing Portia since two weeks ago, when Patricia O'Connell, originally cast in the role, was taken ill. Francis Weaver as the Prince of Morocco and Michael Lewis as the Prince of Aragon added a deft touch of comedy to two of Portia's rejected suitors. Frank Lowe gave skilful performances both as Lancelot Bobbo and as the court jester.

A definite detriment to the production, both from the audience's point of view and from the actor's point of view was the constant rippling and crackling of the wrapping paper used to cover the yet sticky red enamel of the straight, tiring chairs. Those people packed together onto the bleachers set up in the rear to take care of the overflow crowd couldn't have felt a bit more uncomfortable than the early arrivals who got "seats." Let us hope that by the time Barter returns to the Mountain—a time which we hope, incidentally, will not be too far in the future—the auditorium will have been provided with seating facilities which will be, to say the least, adequate.

### Classified Ads New Feature

A new PUPLE feature, the classified advertisement, make its first appearance in this issue. Those wishing to use this new service must pay 25 cents for each insertion of 25 words or less. A 2-cent charge will be made for each word exceeding the 5-word limit. The advertisement may be given to members of the business staff, placed in the PURPLE box inside the first entrance of Walsh Hall, or telephoned to 2091.

## Pic of Flicks

By George Leyden

Wednesday, February 13 *The Light Touch* with Stewart Granger and Pier Angeli. The film never quite succeeds in attaining the air of the title, but it still is often bright and highly amusing. . . . The glaring weakness is in length, 107 minutes that could be better spent elsewhere.

*The Spy in Black*. Couldn't find anything on it; you go and tell me how it comes out. . . . Thanks.

Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15. *Behave Yourself* starring Shelley Winters and Farley Granger. A darn good combination of fun and sex that you'll all like. Strangely enough, some of it is really good.

Owl Show. *Neptune's Daughter* with Red Skelton, Esther Williams. A good old fashioned technicolor musical that's worth while seeing even if it is for the fourth time. Note: remember to come good and late or you might have to see the serial.

Saturday and Monday, February 16 and 18. *Across the Wide Missouri* with Clark Gable, Maria Marques, Ricardo Montalban. Thank God for Gable, he's the only thing that saved this one from the skids. It's a historical western that's good only because he's on the marquee.

Sunday and Tuesday, February 17 and 19. *The Valiant* starring Gregory Peck, Barbara Peyton (of bed room fame), and Ward Bond. Another shoot-em-up, only this time the scene changes to New Mexico and is a whole of a lot better than the Missouri fracas. If you are interested, Foster is planning on getting out of this mediocre flick route sometime next (?). ! !

## Vandy Players Give Religious Snake Play

By Gene Reid

Last Saturday night the Vanderbilt Players gave the premier performance of "We Are Strangers in This World," a play by Brainerd Cheney of Nashville, and based on the snake-handling cult near Chattanooga, Tennessee. The cast went to the community where snake-handling is still practiced to study the contortionist dances and tantrums executed by the people in their orgiastic rites. Three live six-foot long bull snakes were present to study the act on the stage by the Players. These combined to produce an extremely exciting play.

John Caldwell, formerly of Sewanee, is to be highly complimented for his direction as well as for his portrayal of the preacher. He was well supported by the Players, whose acting was above that which might be expected from a college group. The sets were imaginative and well done. The wardrobe was also effective.

The acting, in general, was far superior to the play itself. In many places the dialogue failed and the weight of the drama fell to the actors. This took was not an easy one, but they proved themselves capable, and the play has met with wide success in Nashville.

## New Laundry Building, Equipment Now Being Used by Staff of 35

The laundry unit of the Sewanee Steam Laundry and Dry Cleaners began operation on January 28. Full operation of the plant is expected by the end of the month. It is located on the site of the former steam laundry, which was destroyed by fire on March 20, 1951.

Mr. James Avent, University Comptroller, stated that the dry cleaning equipment will be installed and operating by the 20th of this month. At this time, only the laundry facilities are complete.

The new plant will be capable of processing all of the laundry and dry cleaning of the University. A staff of thirty people headed by Mr. Cecil Myers will operate the combined unit.

It is expected that loss of articles will be decreased by the localizing of the entire cleaning process. The system will be further centralized by closing the Sewanee Inn sorting station and moving this work to the main plant.

The building itself is of modern fireproof construction, mainly concrete block. It was completed in September and the equipment was to have been installed at that time. However, the American Laundry Machinery Company, suppliers of all the equipment, were unable to make delivery as promised. The machinery was installed immediately upon receipt here. No change in the present schedule

of laundry pick-up and delivery is proposed. It may be possible, however, to speed up the return of articles as the new facilities are brought to capacity production.

Mr. Myers has extended an invitation to all students interested in viewing a modern laundry to pay a visit to the plant soon.

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# Remarks To The Faculty

One night between semesters a group of University seniors were seated at a table in Montecagle engaged in one of those famed bull sessions concerning academic pursuit. There was nothing unusual about this particular discussion other than a statement made by a few of the seniors to the effect that if they had the choice to make again, they would choose another field of concentration.

This surprising remark is not really as unusual as it seems. During the past few years we have heard it repeated often. Students who customarily make it are seniors who find themselves unable to switch their major subject during the last year of college. Admittedly, it is difficult to resolve whether such remarks as the one above are sincere or not. However, there is, undoubtedly, validity in the statement that students often find themselves in a field of concentration to which they are not suited.

It appears that these ill decisions are the result of the individual student's lack of information of the different courses. Most students are so busily engaged in required courses during their first two years that often they don't have an opportunity to get a taste of some other departments. Consequently, many choose their field of concentration at the end of the second year from one of the departments with which they are acquainted. The result is that some end up pleased, some satisfied, and some discontented.

## A Memo To All Epistlers

One of the objectives we have in producing the PURPLE is an active reader participation through our Letters column. We are purposely presenting the controversial aspect of collegiate life for several reasons: to increase expressions through the medium of the printed word; to encourage discussion on significant issues; to bring about certain reforms if needed; and to serve as a valuable facility in the individual's development.

Lately, we have received several anonymous letters of some merit. Although our immediate inclinations have been to print the letters, we have refrained from doing so. Policy requires us to pitch these epistles into the paper basket—thereby denying the world of many gems of

wisdom. In other words, your letter must be signed.

The Auburn *Plainsman*, recently having the same difficulty, made this offer: Even though we volently disagree with you we'll print it. If your words are misspelled, we'll correct them and still print it (thus preventing any embarrassment on your part). If two cents postage is due on the letter, we'll still use it. *But it must be signed.* However, if you wish your name in a post script . . . that you want your identity to be a secret, and we'll leave the name off."

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We strongly urge the University faculty to consider this proposal.

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## Why They Cross The Road

Why a Democrat turns Republican

1. High taxes force him into the poor house.
2. Graft in high public office sickens him.
3. His party leader assumes dictatorial powers.
4. He becomes a prosperous capitalist.
5. He's an employer.
6. He doesn't have a wife.
7. He's a Southerner who fears FEPC.
8. He wants economy.
9. He buys groceries.
10. He despises donkeys.

Why a Republican turns Democrat

1. Government is supporting the poor house.
2. He's content to make five per cent.
3. His party has no leader.
4. He can't get a RFC loan.
5. He's an employee.
6. His wife wants a mink coat.
7. He's a Yankee who doesn't know any better.
8. He likes astronomical figures.
9. He grows potatoes.
10. He despises elephants.

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"He says he's content in observing the human pageant."

## Eisenhower Students' Choice In College Poll

(ACP) Ike Eisenhower is a better than four to one favorite over Harry Truman for President among college students, according to the ACP National Poll of Student Opinion.

Robert Taft is also more popular than college students haven't yet made up their minds about these two candidates.

Students from all sections of the country were asked: If Robert Taft and Harry Truman oppose each other in the 1952 presidential election, which one would you prefer to win? The answers:

Taft	46 per cent
Truman	29 per cent
No opinion	25 per cent
And for Eisenhower vs. Truman:	
Eisenhower	71 per cent
Truman	16 per cent
No opinion	13 per cent

Every section of the country is overwhelmingly in favor of Eisenhower, as opposed to Truman, but the Taft vs. Truman results indicate certain sectional differences.

The Midwest, for example, is strongest for Taft. A school in Indiana and another in Iowa are 75 per cent Taft supporters, 14 per cent Truman.

Students in Taft's home state of Ohio are, on the average, somewhat less in favor of him than students in other parts of the country.

Truman is strongest, not in the South, where the vote between him and Taft is about even, but in the far West. The University of California, most pro-Truman of all schools polled, stacks up this way:

Truman	43 per cent
Taft	21 per cent
No opinion	36 per cent
Students still undecided are the most likely to comment. A junior coed in home economics says she doesn't favor Eisenhower because "he's a military man," but "I don't think we should put Truman in again."	

A South Dakota sophomore wants Eisenhower, but will not vote on Taft vs. Truman. "I don't agree with either of their policies," he says. And a freshman in liberal arts dismisses the Taft-Truman choice with, "Neither is worth a damn," but votes for Truman against Eisenhower.

A medical freshman would vote for Taft "merely because anybody would be better than Truman." Equally firm is a junior taking economics in Iowa, who says, "Never in my life would I vote for Taft." But he supports Eisenhower.

Abbo's

## Scrapbook

NEWS ITEMS FROM VIRGINIA

On December 4th, 1951, Colgate W. Darden, Jr., president of the University of Virginia, suggested that Virginia abandon compulsory public education beyond the grammar school level. "Unwilling, uninterested and comparatively less competent students," he said, should not be forced to attend high school. Under this plan, the quality of public instruction would improve, and the financial burden would be reduced. "We need not coddle the incompetent," he said.

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In 1670 the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations in London asked Sir William Berkeley to make a report on conditions in the colony. One question put to the Governor was this:

"What course is taken about instructing the people, within your government in the Christian religion; and what provision is there made for the paying of your ministry?"

To this question Sir William replied:

"The same course that is taken in England out of towns: every man according to his ability instructing his children. We have forty-eight parishes, and our ministers are well paid, and by my consent would be better if they would pray oftener and preach less. But of all commodities, so of this, the worst are sent us, and we had few that we could boast of, until the persecution of Cromwell's tyranny drove divers worthy men here. But I thank God there are no free schools nor printing, and I hope we shall not have these hundred years, for learning has brought disobedience and heresy, and sects into the world, and printing has divulged them. God keep us from both."

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Plus cela change, plus c'est la même chose.



# Are Proctors Really Doing Their Job?

## Reasoning, Not Tattling, Will Gain Them Support

It's about time something was said about the way the disciplinary problem is being handled by the proctors. They aren't doing their job, so that he can keep order without having to ask the administration for help. Presumably a proctor should command enough respect in the student body. Some of those in the group now in office have admitted that they aren't capable of doing what they are being paid for by going to the dean with every minor breach of the rule. This rash of turning people into Dean Bruton is unnecessary and ridiculous.

In the first place, proctors should be chosen who don't have to holler for help. If the ones we have now can't do the job, let's get some who can.

In the past we have always been able to find boys who could keep a reasonable amount of order and still hold the respect of the students. It doesn't seem feasible that all of sudden there is an absolute death of leadership.

In the second place, this running to Dean Bruton is unethical because the dean of men has no disciplinary jurisdiction. Only the dean of the college can administer punishment. Now with this in mind, think about this: If some little-tale has to run to Dean Baker with every little thing, pretty soon that is all Dean Baker is going to have time to do.

## No Greater Love Hath Any Laundry

Last week, another chapter of Sewanec history came to an end. The reopening of the local laundry made it no longer necessary for the University to impose upon the Chattanooga cleaning plants, which had so unselfishly served the students. In recognition of the laundries' great contribution to Sewanec life during the last year, a new play, *The Laundry Men* Cometh, has been written by Lorino White. The first act of this tribute to the Chattanooga Cuff Crumbers is reprinted below.

Setting: As the curtain rises, two girls are seen sorting laundry. Occasionally, they relax by staging a playful tug-a-war with a pair of shorts.

Gertrude: (Holding up a shirt) "Goodie, goodie, goodie! Look!"

Mazie: "Whatcha find? A shirt that hasn't been Sanforized?"

Gertrude: "No, silly! I found one with a fraternity pin on it! Oh, lucky, lucky me! This makes four boys that I've pinned to—three Kappa Sigs and an SAE."

Mazie: "Gee, I envy you! The most I ever found was a Fireman's badge on 336-R's undershirt. . . ." (Opens laundry bag) "Thee-hee! Listen to the note this guy wrote us." (Reads) "Last night I asked you to notice the ink spot on my shirt. Apparently you misunderstood and thought I was giving you a Roschard Inkblot Test. Will you notice the spot again—and this time, take it out."

Gertrude: "Hmmm. . . I see they've had another dance week-end. Old 409-J's got the lipstick on his handkerchief again!"

Mazie: "Yeah, I noticed some on 336-B's shirt. Hey, The finance company must have finally repressed his

Since I've been here only the most severe cases were brought before the dean. Everybody is going to forget to wear his gown to chapel every now and then or get an urge to hit his roommate with a biscuit, but that doesn't mean he is an out and out villain. Proctors should realize that a reprimand from them would be all that was necessary.

Last of all, but most important, we are men, we live like men, act like men, and should be treated like men. I suggest the proctors try talking to a boy before they turn him in. Ninety-nine per cent of the time, when a student is in the wrong, he will be glad to co-operate. As for myself, I consider it a direct insult for anyone to assume that I can't be reasoned with.

It might be a good idea for the proctors that we have now to take a look at the boys who were proctors when they came here. How did they keep people from throwing food in Mag? It wasn't by trotting off to the dean.

The way things are being handled now isn't going to promote better discipline. Just the opposite. People are going to do things that they ordinarily wouldn't have thought of just for spite.

As yet, we are not living in a secret police society, but lately I have the feeling that Big Brother is watching.

Jim Reaney

Greer Edwards

## Ku Klux Klan, Once Worthy Group, Now Stands Entirely Honorless

The year 1865, following the close of the War Between the States, found the South in a situation of complete and hopeless chaos. Its financial and economic system had crumbled, its resources were spent, its homes and plantations were devastated, and its people were without law or legal status. The bitterness and contention and strife which characterized the 1800's from beginning to end has for all purposes been forgotten, and it is well that this is so.

But history nevertheless records that grueling and lawless and oppressive conditions plagued the devastated South for a period of years following the cessation of the hostilities. As a direct result of these deleterious conditions and characteristic of the rich tradition and romantic heritage of the Southland, there arose spontaneously a number of secret societies. Composed of Southerners, many of whom were political and military and economic leaders in their own right, these organizations had as their primary objectives mutual protection and the restoration of order.

Foremost among these was the Order of the Ku Klux Klan, a fraternal body incorporating the highest possible ideals and dedicated to the destruction of the wholesale corruption brought on by northern military rule, and to the restoration of order throughout the old Confederacy.

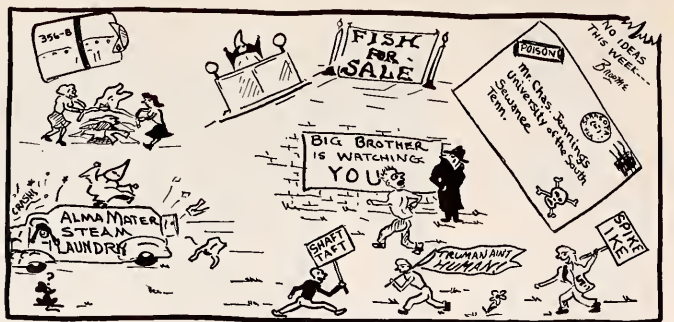
"This is an institution of chivalry, humanity, mercy and patriotism," reads the opening declaration in the Prescript of the KKK, "Embodying in

Charles Jennings

## Take It Easy Please We're Only Human Too

One of the more interesting things about turning out a weekly batch of the type of drivel to which we are addressed is the increased amount of mail which we receive. We must admit, though, that the first letter from an outraged alumnus that we got had us worried. We read it with mounting horror and rushed to sob out our woes on the broad shoulder of Boy Editor. He soothed us by showing us some examples of poison penmanship which he had collected over the long, long years. They contained suggestions which made our letter seem like a love note.

By now we have become hardened to the screams of the sweetness and light fans, as well as the sarcastic commentary of the lovely young lady in Memphis. Still we sometimes wonder what impels the writers of many of these epistles. Don't they have anything better to do? Why waste all that time and effort on us, since as they tell us, no sane person would consider reading a love letter in the first place? Our guess would be that they would have absolutely nothing to do if they did not write letters, so it is probably all for the best. We do think, however, that it would be more



its genius and its principles all that is chivalric in conduct, noble in sentiment, generous in manhood, and patriotic in purpose."

Founded in Pulaski, Tennessee, the Ku Klux Klan dates its origin from December, 1865; and from that point its growth was rampant through the South.

The intricate and detailed ritual and initiation, the secret work, chains of command and careful organization of each individual chapter, are accomplishments of considerable merit in themselves. General Nathan Bedford Forrest, one of the Confederacy's leading officers of cavalry, became national head of the Klan. In various capacities below him were more than twelve other generals who had served in the Confederate States Army.

Officially, the KKK was disbanded in 1869, with the idea that it had accomplished all that was possible. But it is only logical that other individuals sought to gain control, bring it back to life, and continue the Klan as an effective force for their own purposes. As a result of this situation, the Klan today stands entirely without honor.

Just as the ante-bellum South was not entirely the graceful, romantic and abundantly prosperous civilization which many believe it to have been, the KKK was not entirely without fault in its operations during the Reconstruction era. Because of its original objectives, however, together with its efforts to accomplish its purpose and the actual benefit which was derived from its activities, the Ku

Klux Klan of 1865-69 deserves well of the South.

As long as there remains some degree of pride in the gallant stand the South made for what it believed to be right, the original Ku Klux Klan should be remembered with a degree of respect. It was led and supported by men of intelligence, prestige and stature, and it should live as the last embodiment of the romantic heritage of the old South, an organization which attempted to accomplish its purposes by the only means which would yield results.

Exchange

## Hell Week Going Out

As dead fish and lighted candles are exchanged for fraternity pins this week, it is interesting to note that hazing or ridding is undergoing a metamorphosis in many of the country's colleges and universities today.

Whether a recent article in the Reader's Digest describing one fraternity's chapter in Texas and how the substituted "Hell Week" farzation which attempted to accomplish its purposes by the only means which would yield results.

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# The Sewanee Purple Sports

SEWANEE, TENNESSEE, FEBRUARY 13, 1952

## INTRAMURALS

### Delts Rise

By Jim McIntosh

The business of predicting is pretty risky; and a seer as myself, not possessing supernatural powers, and going on hunches rather than on the more exacting science of figuring statistics, is most likely to make underestimations.

The high-powered start that the Delts have gotten off to can be no freak after their whitewash of the Phi Gams last Wednesday. The apparent equality of the two at the half was evident, but the surprise of a twenty-point lead at the final whistle must have stunned the hard-hit Fijis. The commendable performances turned in by Cole and Eshleman showed the way to what could be a happy future for the Delts. This practically all-time team, doing as well as it is this season, seems to indicate the return of the Delts to basketball prowess. However, not too much can be assumed from this one game, since the Phi Gams are still tottering under the loss of their outstanding stars Dezell, Shaw, and Smith. Though this loss took the margin that the Sig Alpha quintet could manage, and they had their hands full doing that. It can't be said that the SAEs were off. Bill Smith played probably his best game, with fifteen points to his credit; and the play of Clark, Sims, and Mulkin was up to par. With a few repetitions of the same, the Kappa Sigs will see better days than they have in several years.

The fastest rise of any team this far is the leap of the Independents, for now they have a group of basketballers who can play the game and give it credit. Last week they outplayed and outshined the Phis, who are having a hard time getting started. Such additions as Joe McGrory and Tommy Robertson have meant a lot to this up and coming aggregation. Coached by Jim Seidule, veterans Jackson, Bigham, and Ward have taken new inspiration from these newcomers and the team has looked smooth in their first few starts, although they dropped a game to the strong ATOs during the opening week. However, their real tests will come when they meet the SAEs this Saturday and the Delts on Wednesday, the outcome of which could carry their hopes either way. The SAEs will dampen their hopes to an extent, I believe, but the Delt game will prove closer; and the outcome looks as a question.

#### Phi To Lose

When the SAEs and Phis clash tomorrow, the old rivalry will be there; but it looks like a victory for the perennially strong Sig Alphas over a Phi team, which has shown ability, but who are without that perfected teamwork they've always had.

The ATOs with their wearing down the opposition tactics might well prove fatal for the Delts on Friday. On Sunday I'll go with an improved Phi team over the Delts, and it's a toss-up between the Kappa Sigs and the KAs on Monday. With a more evenly matched league this season, if you want to see a good week of basketball, this is the one to pay closest attention to and it's not too hard to foresee that quite a few hopes will sink in the next few days.



A scene at last week's Sewanee-Bethel thriller which saw Sewanee's Tigers emerge victorious after extra play. The Sewanee player in the picture is Tiger of the Week Skeeter Hale.

## Sewanee Quintet Downs Bethel In Overtime Play

In a half filled gym, Friday night, the Sewanee basketball squad played host to the Bethel "Cats" from McKenzie, Tenn., in which it took the Tigers one overtime to defeat the Bethel squad, 70-66.

The game started in a fast trot with Glen Schafer sinking the first bucket in the first few seconds of play, but as the playing time elapsed, he became slower. As the horn blew for the first quarter, the Tigers were in the lead but in the second period Bethel caught the Purple and remained in the lead except for a tie at half time.

### Dr. Bruton Tops Egyptian Sports

About 5,000 years ago some wise Egyptian discovered that by making a wad of cotton into a round shape that it could be thrown with accuracy between two people. Later wise Egyptians discovered that games could be played with this ball, and still wiser (?) men developed the football and the many other games that are played with a ball, but the most direct descendant of the old cotton one is the modern handball.

This ancient game after some ten or 15 centuries finally made its way through the wilderness and implanted itself in the Ormond Sinkins gymnasium. Since that time student champs have come and gone and faculty members have departed and arrived but as far as Coach Clark can remember the real champ has always been here in the person of the Mathematical Dean of Men Dr. Bruton. Coach Clark says that he doesn't think that any one ever beat Dr. Bruton in singles and he modestly added that no one ever beat the Dean and himself in doubles.

He's seen some mighty good students come and go. Among them was Alex Guerry, Jr., son of the late vice-chancellor, who only last week was upset from his place as Tennessee handball champ. Guerry got pretty good Coach Clark admitted, but he doesn't think that Dean Bruton ever fell victim while Guerry was still in school. Present school champs are the Theobalds thanks to the playing of Bob Snell holder of the singles and doubles crown. Rated next after Snell is Barney McCarty, ATO, and behind them a large group of new players, who will fall into their respective places during the intramural tournament.

Interest seems to vary on the Mountain, and right now seems to be a little keener than usual, but at times it seems to almost die out. For a while the faculty were the big users of the two courts and it was a common sight to see Dr. Bruton, Dr. Baker, "Hec" Clark, Coach Clark, and other faculty lined up outside the courts.

Jim Rox led the Mountain squad, until the last few minutes of play, with some excellent and accurate shooting. With three minutes of playing time left in the game and eleven points behind, Glen Schafer and Buck Cain turned into pressure players and tied the game. A high percentage of Schafer's 17 points were made in the last three minutes of play, while six of Cain's 13 points were made in the overtime.

SEWANEE 70 BETHEL 66

Kripp 15 ..... Shepard 13

Schafer 17 ..... Contrell 20

Rox 16 ..... Hatch 10

Cain 13 ..... Leathers 2

Hale 6 ..... Scott 6

Zyler 3 ..... Cain 4

Crawford (0) ..... Flaugh 7

Half-time score 31-31. Patterson 3

## SPORTS CALENDAR

- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15  
 3:30—DTD—ATO  
 4:30—PGD—KA  
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16  
 2:30—SAE—Independents  
 3:30—KS—Theologs  
 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17  
 2:30—ATO—Beta  
 3:30—DTD—PDT  
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18  
 7:30—KS—KA  
 8:30—SAE—SN  
 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20  
 7:30—DTD—Independents  
 8:30—ATO—Theologs

### Ten Top Scores

- Through Wednesday, February 6  
 1. White 50 points—ATO  
 2. Robertson 40 points—Independents  
 3. Hughes 39 points—KA  
 4. Keyser 35 points—Theolog  
 5. Jones 35 points—ATO  
 6. Eschelman 32 points—DTD  
 7. Terry 30 points—PDT  
 8. Davis 30 points—Theolog  
 9. McGrory 29 points—Independents  
 10. Cole 29 points—DTD

## TIGER RAG

### Clatter Of Cleats Due Soon



By HENRY LANGHORNE  
 Purple Sports Editor

#### SPRING AND FOOTBALL

On Monday, February 18, the clatter of football cleats will announce the official opening of the 1952 spring training here on the Mountain. Abiding strictly to the new N.C.A.A. rule, Coach White will allow his men to practice twenty days out of a period of thirty, which means that training will culminate March 19th in time to allow a change-over to track.

The nucleus of the 1951 grid squad is still intact despite several costly losses caused by graduating seniors, and additions to this squad are expected to increase as spring training gets underway. Captain Jim Elam and Co-Captain Bill Porter will lead the 1952 Purple grid machine; and giving able support will be veterans Bill Austin, Jim Rox, Caywood Gunby, Jim Seidule, David Jones, Tommy Robertson, Ensign Conklin, Charley Lindsay, Andy Hibbert, Gordon Sorrell, and Bobby Parkes. Sewanee's forward wall is especially talented, although the loss of such stalwarts as Mickey Poe and Jim Whitaker will be keenly felt.

Although a graduating senior, Little All-American Jim Ed Mulkin still has not hung up his cleats. He will be on hand during spring training to assist Coach White in developing the Tiger backfield, while up front Bob Snell, former Tiger great, will direct the linemen.

Although new prospects are still indefinite until the first group meeting, two have already indicated their desire to participate in spring training. One is Jim Green, freshman high school star from Jacksonville Beach, Florida; and the other is Walter Brooke of Staunton, Virginia.

#### INVITATION TO NEWCOMERS

As Coach White has expressed it, the purpose of spring training is primarily to work on individual weaknesses and round out any positions that might be top-heavy with material. However, it cannot be overemphasized that the doors will be wide open to anyone who wishes to play football, whether he has any previous experience or not. Spring training has revealed many unknown Tiger stars, for during this period much more individual attention is possible. Weaknesses are sought out and improved; talents are discovered and used advantageously when the grid season opens in the fall.

For those who might be interested in playing football here at Sewanee, the time to act will be on February 18, when the first day of spring training begins. Experience is certainly not a prerequisite, where there is a will to learn there is a way to improve.

The first announced meeting of all candidates will be held Friday, February 15, at 5:30 p.m. It will be an excellent opportunity for all those who are interested in football to make their first bid for a position on the 1952 Tiger eleven.

### Tiger of the Week

## Auburn Transfer Spark Of Varsity Cage Group

Bill "Skeeter" Hale, stalwart guard of the Purple Tiger five, has been chosen as this week's "Tiger of the Week."

"Skeeter," a sophomore from Birmingham, Ala., came to the Mountain at the beginning of the last semester from Auburn, and has been one of the few outstanding features for Sewanee in the current campaign.

"Skeeter" started making a name for himself in basketball circles at the ripe old age of 13, when he made the All-Ente YMCA team.

Upon entering West End High School in Birmingham, he immediately began to do his playing in earnest, earning four letters; and in his sophomore year the aggressive guard captained his team to the state tournament.

To those of us whose extent of our athletic ability lies in our feet, and who sit on the sidelines, this seems like enough glory for two men. But besides the above mentioned accomplishments, "Skeeter" made the All-City and All-District teams, and was leading scorer in Alabama's fifth district.

For his greatest day in sports, he looks to his high school days in Birmingham, when he scored 16 points in his team's final victory in the district tournament, to put them in the state tourney.

After graduation, he entered Auburn, where he played second guard on the freshman team, before coming to Sewanee. Since on the Mountain, he has played a fine, steady brand of ball, which the varsity charges could use much more.

The six foot, 160 pounder wishes to major in physical education, and is desirous of a coaching career.

When asked to what he attributed the poor showing of this year's team, he thought a minute and said:

"Well, it's hard to put your finger on, but I'd say it was due to our slow start and lack of poise and confidence. I think the team just got too much 'stock' in its record in 'hope last summer.' This would indicate to all that the European teams played were not of the caliber of the teams on the Sewanee regular season schedule.



Skeeter Hale