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## HOME ATMOSPHERE TO PREVAIL DURING CHRISTMAS RECESS

### COMMITTEE PLANS ACTIVITIES

#### Franciscan Monastery Trip and "Other Wise Man" Attract Students Who Remain

While the more fortunate dormitory students are planning how they will spend their Christmas vacation at their respective homes, the ones who are to remain are anticipating an enjoyable vacation.

The dining room in Central Hall will be given a festive atmosphere by the addition of Christmas decorations, the most important of which will be a Christmas tree. Mrs. Mary Montgomery, matron, has planned a home-like Christmas dinner which will be served in true holiday style.

Entertainment for the week will be under the supervision of a committee consisting of Ray Montgomery, chairman, John Warnell, Edna Matz, and Maybelle Vandermark. Several of the students are planning a visit to the Franciscan Monastery and some will go to the Lutheran church on Sixteenth St. to witness "The Other Wise Man" which is taken from the story by Henry Van Dyke.

In addition to a march and games in the gymnasium Mr. Montgomery will present two motion pictures.

## PROF. W. I. SMITH IS CHAPEL HOUR SPEAKER

### Former President of Walla Walla Recommends Steadfastness of Purpose and Persevering

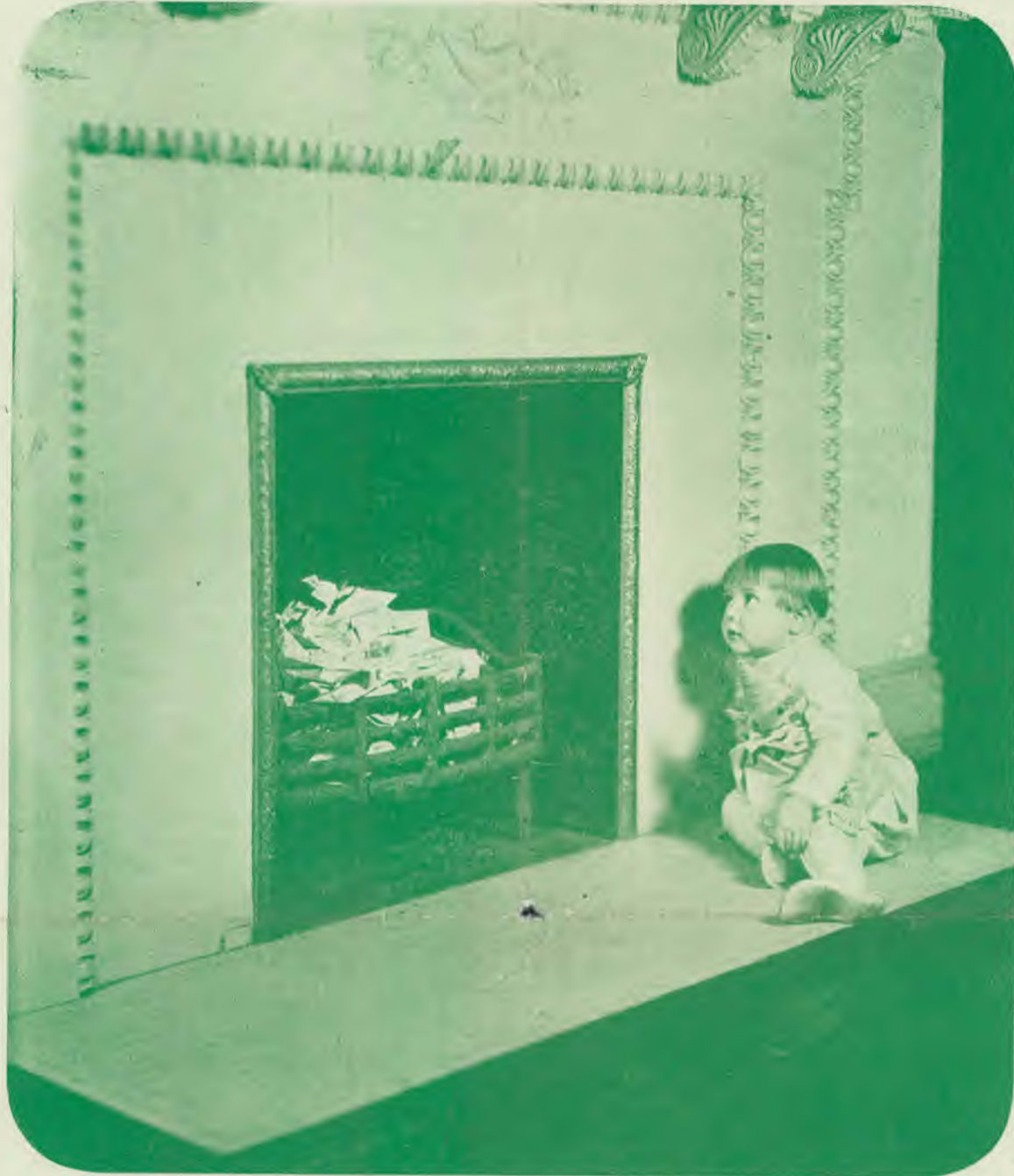
"Steadfastness of purpose to do right and persevering in what God shows us to be right should be the firm determination of every youth," declared Prof. W. I. Smith, addressing the student body last Monday morning. Prof. Smith is associate secretary of the Educational Department of the General Conference and was for 17 years president of Walla Walla College, state of Washington.

Professor Smith said, in opening, "The thought uppermost in the mind of each prophet and apostle of the Bible was, 'O God, my mind is fixed on Thee.'" He said that "Joseph stood true even in the temptations of Egypt. Daniel came out of the den of lions victorious, and God proclaimed him to all people. God always gives His blessing to that one who follows Him in a steadfast way."

Continuing his discourse the speaker said, "In more modern years, John Bunyan turned from dissolute living to Christianity and made a blessing out of a trial when he used the brown paper stoppers from his milk bottles upon which to write 'Pilgrim's Progress' as he lay in Bedford jail."

### NOTICE

All books—"call" books, "special loan" books—all books must be returned to the library by 12 o'clock noon today. The library will be open from 2 p. m. to 4 p. m. tomorrow for loans over the holidays. —Theo G. Weis, Librarian.



Will He Never Come?

## HALCYON GIRLS GIVE PARTY FOR CHILDREN

### Santa Claus Takes Tots Home After Giving Them Toys

Believing that "it is more blessed to give than to receive," the Halcyon Club brought yuletide cheer to seven children last night by entertaining them at a Christmas party.

A trumpet solo was rendered by Miss Marion Booth. Miss Clare Bruce told the children an appropriate Christmas story, which was followed by a reading by Miss Kathryn Lutz. A carol to the tune of "Jingle Bells," sung by the Misses Mary Lewis, Offley and Caroline Baum, brought smiles of joy to the children's faces.

"Santa Claus" appeared on the scene with a large pack on his back. He proceeded to withdraw from it a baby doll and gave it to one of the children. Each child received a gift besides games, rubber balls, and the customary stocking filled with the usual Christmas dainties, such as oranges, nuts, and a candy cane.

The "Friendship Friend" plan was culminated when each girl brought her gift for her secret friend. Pleasant memories were recalled as they remembered the kind acts, words, or other deeds of friendship bestowed on them by their friends. Everybody joined in singing, "Tis Shining Still," and Santa Claus took the children to their respective homes.

## MEANING OF "CATTY" IS MADE CLEAR BY MAROONED KITTEN

"Catty" is a colloquial expression with a rather vague meaning. But a Halcyonite engineered a practical demonstration last week that helps to clarify its meaning.

A black kitten was marooned high in a tree between Central and South Halls. The Halcyonite fetched a step-ladder and went after the feline. Her success was marked by profuse caresses and a copious supply of milk.

Sir "Blackie" accepted the kindnesses and vanished.

## DONALD STONIER, SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT OF '31, FALLS FROM SCAFFOLD

Donald Stonier, president of the class of '31, was injured in a fall from a scaffold Monday morning, it was learned yesterday. The extent of his injuries had not been determined when the message was sent, although there were possibilities of a fractured wrist in the accident.

Mr. Stonier was doing carpenter work in his home town, Tunkhannock, Pa., when the accident occurred. He visited Washington Missionary College 10 days ago.

## PRESIDENT AND WIFE ENTERTAIN FACULTY

### Modeling Contest and Quartet Music Feature Evening

President and Mrs. H. H. Hamilton received the members of the faculty as guests at their home Monday evening, Dec. 21.

The greater part of the evening was spent in playing games, the most interesting, perhaps, being that of the construction of objects from carrots, radishes, raisins and toothpicks. Prof. and Mrs. H. A. Miller took first award for their model of a turkey. Elder and Mrs. W. R. French took second prize with a miniature curle.

During the program, the male quartet: Lester Davis, Charles Warnell, Winston Adams, and Ethelbert Koch stood outside the house and sang carols including "Holy Night," which was sung again inside by request of the faculty.

While refreshments were being served, four faculty members—Prof. Leo Thiel, Prof. Theo. Weis, Elder H. L. Shoup, and Mrs. H. A. Morrison, told of interesting experiences which occurred on their first day of teaching.

Evergreen and a lighted Christmas tree were the chief decorations. The 12 filled stockings which hung by the fireplace were given to the faculty members who had small children.

## BAND ASSISTS IN LAST ASSOCIATION MEETING OF YEAR

### YEAR BOOK STAFF IS ELECTED

#### Sligonian Circulation Manager Adds Impetus to Rally For College Journal

Music by the College Band, making its initial appearance, added spice to the last meeting of the Students' Association for 1931. The Band, which is under the direction of Prof. Victor Johnson, opened the meeting this morning by playing two numbers, "El Capitan," by Sousa, and the "National Emblem March," by Crosby.

The College Quartet, composed of Lester Davis, first tenor, Ethelbert Koch, second tenor, Charles Warnell, baritone, and Winston Adams, bass, sang "Keep A-Goin'."

The rally for SLIGONIAN subscriptions which was launched at the last meeting was culminated today with a final drive in an attempt to reach the goal.

The students left with the determination to redeem their pledges that will adequately care for the finances of the paper and keep them from debt.

The nominating committee of the Association presented names to be voted on by the Association for the staff of the Book of Golden Memories, the College Yearbook, and for the religious editor of THE SLIGONIAN.

## DR. WILKINSON PLANS TWO WINTER EFFORTS

### Walter Riston and Wilson Beall to Conduct Evangelistic Meetings at Lewisdale, Maryland

Two student evangelistic efforts are being planned for this winter, according to an announcement by Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, dean of the College Theological Department.

One effort is to be conducted at Lewisdale, Md., 30 miles from Takoma Park, beginning Sunday night, Jan. 3. Wilson Beall and Walter Riston are the two seniors who will conduct the effort with the assistance of Miss Minnie Iverson and Carl Ashlock.

The second effort will be led by Horton McLennan and Matthew Vasquez, but the place where it will be held, and the time it will begin have not been determined yet.

Mr. Riston and Mr. Beall are employing a new method of beginning their series of meetings this year. Sabbath, Dec. 19, *Present Truth* pamphlets were distributed throughout the town. The field will be canvassed thoroughly again this week, and personal invitations will be extended to the people to attend the meetings.

Nurses of the College will give health lectures preceding the sermons in each place.

## CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 23  
12:00 noon, Christmas vacation begins.  
Sunday, January 4  
6:00 p.m., Christmas vacation ends.  
COMING EVENTS  
January 9—Clubs  
January 16—Motion Picture, "Getting Personal With Mountain Lions," by William L. Finley (Lecture Course)  
January 23—Recital by Music Faculty.



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THIS AND THAT

BOSTON is contemplating passing a law allowing motorists to park their cars on either side of virtually all down-town streets for 12 hours at a time. This is rather an unusual experiment, especially in Boston with its many crooked and narrow streets.

What a break for Boston drivers—no more little invitations tied to the steering wheel!

And no more chalk marks on our right front tire!

Wonder if Washington can take a hint.

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THIS session of Congress is the ninetieth birthday of the historic old mace of the House of Representatives. This mace is made of 13 ebony rods about three feet long bound with transverse bands of silver. The shaft is surmounted with a silver globe on which is mounted a solid silver eagle. The mace is the symbol of office of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, and without it the House cannot officially convene.

If worse comes to worst, with this depression and deficit and all, Congress could pawn their silver eagle.

Joseph G. Rodgers, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House for 13 years, says that the mace is very effective in quieting noisy Representatives.

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NOTHING like being thrifty! A new type of bank is available now for home use which reminds the owner when he neglects to insert a coin each day. When the coin is inserted a line across the date on the calendar which covers the bank is torn. A day neglected means an uncancelled date.

Some of us have money and spend it. Some of us have no money and spend it anyway. Perhaps a few of these banks in W. M. C. dormitories would be an aid to will power.

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A TOTAL of 171,070 temporary clerks, carriers, and laborers have been employed by the Government to handle the extra mail during the Christmas season.

These temporary employes receive 65 cents an hour for a ten-hour day. The Post Office Department expends a total of \$5,132,123 for this work.

DO YOU KNOW

That just a year ago today a student fell through the ice on the fish pond between Columbia and South Halls?

That the Congressional Library has a large number of books printed in Braille—the raised type that is read by the blind?

That Corona dump in New York City contained 17,000,000 cubic yards of trash and is now being converted into three semi-public golf courses?

That the only ocean-going motor trucks in existence are carried in the U. S. Navy aircraft carriers, Lexington and Saratoga?

That the mystery of the snowflake's beauty has been probed by Prof. John Mead Adams, University of California physicist? By mixing two streams of air, one dry and cooled below freezing temperature, the other warmer and moist, and allowing them to settle upon a glass plate Prof. Adams can produce artificial snowflakes and watch them grow.

That Marion and Maynard Bourdeau, twins, were born on Christmas day, 1910? This is the first Christmas they have not celebrated together in their lives.

That there is a Santa Claus? It happens to be a small Indiana town. But at Christmastime its post office receives mail from all over the world to be post-marked "Santa Claus."

The Rhythmic Optimist

If you can't paint like Rembrandt, Or speak like Dewey, Don't be sad and discouraged, You've still got some YOU. You can speak some kind words, To your friends in distress: And paint pictures of simple, But pure happiness.

A STIFF JAWBONE by Horton McLennan - Biblical Adventure in a New Serial

EIGHTH INSTALLMENT

The story thus far: Samson, the giant hero of Israel, was bent on subduing the Philistines, enemies of his race. He himself was the real enemy of the Philistines. At any rate, they agreed that they would no longer annoy Israel if they would deliver their champion to them. The Israelites decided to do this and their army went by night to blind him.

At first Samson was enraged by this move and started to turn on his countrymen. Then he conceived a new idea and agreed to be bound if they would promise to deliver him to the Philistines. This they did and started toward the enemy camp in Lehi.

As they neared the camp, a detachment of mounted warriors rode out to meet them. Jalab, the commander of the army, and his staff advanced to meet the Philistines. They were lost to the view of the Israelite soldiers as they were surrounded by the hostile men.

Presently the parley separated and the Philistines sped away to break the news that Samson, their arch-enemy, was their captive. As he was led into the camp, the warriors sprang upon him. Suddenly the mass erupted and the captive emerged. SAMSON HAD BROKEN HIS BONDS!

The war cry of the giant struck terror into the hearts of the Philistines. Seizing the jawbone of an ass, he broke it in half, charged upon his enemies and wrought terrible havoc with them. As he started his second charge he tripped on a vine and fell face-forward. In a moment a hundred Philistines were on his back.

The hills reverberated again with his mighty roar as Samson for a second time during the fight shook himself free from the pack of human wolves, and with blood streaming from a dozen wounds, regained his feet. The destruction he tolled out was horrible. The previous fighting paled into insignificance before this new onslaught. With bestial rage he hurled himself upon his enemies and tore into shreds both man and beast.

Before this unbelievable display of superhuman strength and primitive ferocity the Philistines stood aghast. Their courage wavered. Another moment and the whole host turned to flee.

Their steps were halted by a great shout down the valley. The seven sons of Anak were coming! They were the giants of Philistia and the personal champions of the Philistine armies—brutes over ten feet in height, possessing the strength of the pachyderm.

The rout was stopped and the terrified fugitives waited to see the outcome of Samson's meeting with their champions. Standing in the midst of his fallen foes, a blood-streaked figure, the Hebrew superman calmly awaited the attack of his gigantic enemies.

It seemed the end for the lone champion of Israel. Splendid muscles and well-proportioned physique that he had, he appeared a puny boy, a mere strip-

ling, beside the sons of Anak who towered three feet above him.

Fifty feet from Samson the sons of Anak stopped. Looking their adversary over with contemptuous stares, the brothers broke into a boisterous laugh. "So this is the mighty Samson, the champion of Israel," laughed the seven.

When their mirth had abated, one of the giants called to Samson in a mocking tone, "Ha, mighty warrior of Israel, speak now, and tell us which of our number thou chooseth to be thine executor." While this little drama was being enacted, the warriors had encircled the combatants. Eagerly they awaited his reply.

"Ye sons of Anak, heathen dogs, I need no choice. Prepare to die." And with this scornful reply the amazing Israelite tore into the giants and with one terrible blow dropped the foremost of his enemies. Tackling another in football fashion, he had two of the behemoths on their backs. Ducking under the crushing swing of another that would have felled an ox, he came up under the giant's arms and drove his deadly right hand into the vitals of his adversary. His movements were all so quick that his huge and clumsy foes could not get their hands upon him.

And now to cap the series of impossible feats he had been doing all through the fight, he grasped another of the giants by the ankles, and with the most marvelous demonstration of his tremendous strength during the day he swung a man, three times his own weight, about his head with such force that he knocked the remaining giants to the ground. Slamming the one in his hands to the ground with killing force, he jumped rapidly from one to the other of his foes before they could regain their feet, and with a vicious jerk broke each Philistine's neck.

Again the terrible war cry of Samson filled the valleys and the hills. The hero of Israel stood alone. Every warrior was fleeing for his life. A twinkle of amusement shone in the eyes of the wonderful Hebrew. "And they would make me a captive," he mused. A thousand dead Philistines lay scattered over the field.

"Methinks I had better hasten back to Adonijah," and with a last glance at the fleeing Philistines the superman faded into the deepening twilight.

THE END

Wishing You

A Very Merry Christmas

-The Staff

True Christmas Spirit

Christmas again! That season of the year when the whole world is reminded of Christ and His birth. 'Tis true that some do not believe He was born, 'tis true that some do not reverence His name and that we do not all agree that this is the correct date of His birth. Yet no matter what our thoughts and wishes may be, we cannot escape the Christmas cheer and stories of the Christ Child. Everywhere this spirit seems to have permeated. As one jostles to and fro through the crowds, one notices a happy look on nearly every face. They do not mind being pushed about. Even the traffic cop has a jolly smile for all who pass his way.

Why so gracious? Why so kindly? "Freely ye have received, freely give." 'Tis this spirit of giving, that has caused the change. Yet too often we forget that "It is more blessed to give than to receive;"—too often we give only to receive. It is the spirit in which the gift is given rather than the cost of the gift that gives happiness to both the giver and receiver. The little ten cent store gift of the child to his mother means much more to the mother than the most expensive gift from an insincere acquaintance. Give as Christ gave His life here on earth, helping the poor and the needy both in mind and body.

Christmas to those of us away at school means Home! The sight of dear mother and father who give all they have for us. Here is one place where the true spirit of giving is found. The cozy fireplace, the Christmas candles burning in the window to welcome us, the tree in the corner loaded with its bundles of happiness all help to give us cheer and gladness. Love seems to reign supreme in the home.

But do we realize that not everywhere joy and gladness abide? Many a little tot is shivering in the cold, many a poor mother's heart aches that she cannot give her child all she would like to give him. In other homes sadness, sickness and even death are present, but even here the stories of the Christ Child can bring comfort. Here is where our work should begin. Here is where we should start our spontaneous giving. We can see no immediate material reward for our effort, therefore our spirit of giving would be put to a supreme test. Are we willing to give, knowing we will not receive? Will the added joy and happiness in our hearts, and the gladness, cheer, comfort, and even hope brought to those we have helped be sufficient reward for us? This should be our aim at Christmas rather than merely the exchange of gifts, Christmas cards and greetings. If we are commemorating the birth of Jesus, why should we not imbibe in our living and giving the things for which He stood. His life was one of constant giving without reward. He gave up His heavenly home to come to this world to save us. He gave up His life to persecutions, hardships and trials that the lame, blind, crippled, sick and even dead might receive help. He gave up His life on the cross as the supreme gift. What were His rewards? He was scoffed at, spit upon, beaten, and almost forsaken by all His earthly friends. These seemed to be His earthly friends.

These seemed to be His rewards. If the God whose earthly birthday we are celebrating at this holiday season gave all His life, how can we better honor Him than follow in His steps?

So at this Christmas season, let us not let the glamour, show, and selfishness that so often surrounds this time of the year so dazzle and deceive us that we will forget that the spirit of giving is what is important. Let us not forget the one big purpose for the trifling ones.

George Washington Bicentennial to Be Celebrated Throughout World in 1932

The celebration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington will be celebrated by American people the world over, from Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, 1932, until Thanksgiving day, Nov. 24, 1932. This celebration is sponsored by the United States Government as Congress created the United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission of which President Hoover is chairman.

This is not intended to be a world's fair or exposition, nor will it be limited to any one locality. It will be nationwide, even a world wide series of celebrations in which every state, city and town—every organization and every institution, every home and individual—in this country, together with Americans and others in many foreign countries, will participate. Every community is expected to plan and carry out its own program of events, in cooperation with the National and the State Commissions.

While the ceremonies on Feb. 22 will be especially elaborate and impressive, as marking the actual two hundredth anniversary of Washington's birth, arrangements are also being made for public gatherings, pageants, plays, processions, musical festivals, tableaux, and other events at various times during the entire period of more than nine months. Every program will relate to the great life and work of the first President and founder of the Republic.

The first coin of regular issue ever to bear the image of George Washington will be the new George Washington quarter dollar, which will be issued next year, as part of the bicentennial observance. Twelve new postage stamps in his honor have been prepared by the Post Office Department for use next year during the bicentennial celebration. These stamps will show Washington as he appeared to different artists at different times in his life and were made from photographs obtained by the Commission. A special issue of stamped envelopes will depict Mount Vernon.

Many patriotic Americans have generously loaned original portraits of Washington as well as many interesting relics connected with the first President, which will be used in the National Historic Loan Exhibition to be held in Washington, D. C., from March 14 to Nov. 26, 1932. This exhibition will be held in the United States National Museum. In addition to original portraits it will consist of miniatures, silver, manuscripts, statuary, and many other priceless relics.

People of other nations are planning to participate in this celebration. A mountain has been named after him near Tangier, Morocco. Three black walnut trees, the first ever to be planted on foreign soil by a representative of the United States, are now growing to the glory of Washington in Turkey.



## LIBRARY INCREASE IS INDICATED BY BUDGET

### New Theological Books Come; Old Volumes Are Rebound

Indications are that the library of Washington Missionary College is going to be better than ever. Of the \$1600 budget allowance for the improvement of the library this year, \$650 has already been used.

A hundred old volumes have been rebound at the factory so that now they look like new. There have been 132 books released and hand-mended by some of the nine members of the library staff.

In revising the new catalog and shelf list, 1065 new cards have been made since September.

Fifty volumes, costing \$130, recently arrived from publishing houses in Scotland and England for use in the Theological Department. The volumes concern the Celtic Church of Scotland and the Catholic Church in America.

A 20-volume set on American Biography is in process of publication. Two volumes are published each year, volume eight being the last off the press. The library expects to have the first eight volumes of this \$250 set in the near future.

In keeping magazines in shape for ready reference, 12 volumes of *Current History* have been bound, and eight more are in process. The *World's Work* and *Review of Reviews* are also being bound.

## COLLEGE MATRON IS SURPRISED BY PARTY

Sunday evening, Dec. 20, a surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. Mary Montgomery, College matron. The entire kitchen force assembled in her room in Central Hall, and when she entered they shouted "Surprise!" Raymond Borgmann gave a speech which was followed by one of appreciation by Mrs. Montgomery.

Everybody then went into the dining-room where a program was conducted. The first number was a piano solo by Miss Marie Warnke. Then a card bearing the name of a woman mentioned in the Bible was pinned on the back of each girl, and similar cards bearing the names of men mentioned in the Bible were pinned on the boys. Each had to guess the name on his back from a description of the character that others might give him. After guessing their names, everyone found his partner by finding the name that was closely associated with it in the Bible.

Miss Eloise Walker gave a reading, and the Misses Mary Louise Offley and Caroline Baum sang a duet. The program was interspersed with shadow pictures and games. Mr. Borgmann played several selections on his Hawaiian guitar.

Those who were present were the Misses Baum, Offley, Warnke, Walker, Aidren Poole, Ione Blackstone, Alice Hodde, Alice Daugharty, Roselva Thompson, Edna Stoneburner, Mary Stevens, Louise Riesen and Margaret Lamons and Mr. Borgmann, Russell Service, Laurence Gibson, Edward Meisler, Raymond Owens, Carl Jones, Aaron Daugharty, William Jones, Rogelio Florez, William Rant and Mr. and Mrs. George Griffin.

## SUNSHINE BAND VISITS PRESBYTERIAN HOME

The Sunshine Band visited the Presbyterian Home for aged women, 1818 Newton St., N. W., Sabbath, Dec. 19. Fred Schwarz conducted the program.

Several of Edgar Guest's poems were read by Ethelbert Koch, and a talk on the birth of Christ was given by Dell Haughey. The musical numbers consisted of a trombone solo by Herbert McClure, a vocal solo by John Warnell and songs by the entire group.

After the program, the matron of the home guided the Band through the building.

## HAL SITS MUTE BEFORE HEARTH

There he sits—stolid, cold and indifferent to every glance of interest, every look of affection or exclamation of irritation or outburst of anger. Perfectly expressionless he sits in quiet vigil, keeping silent guard.

No one can guess what may be behind those cold brown eyes, and no one can find the sesame that would open his lips.

If he would speak, he could tell many an interesting, perhaps tragic tale—stories of the times when he has seen young people fighting sleep to conquer books, when he has heard hymns sung about him, when he has heard stories of victories won, noble battles and quite homely things, when he has heard little confidences that maidens give to other maids, and other tales not to be mentioned here—for he is "Hal," the plaster-paris dog that sits by the hearth in the parlor of South Hall.

## CONDITION OF ROBERT HOLTON IS IMPROVED

The condition of Robert Holton, who has been confined in the Baltimore City Hospital for the last 13 weeks has improved to the extent that he has been removed to his home in Wenonah, New Jersey.

This was learned Sabbath, Dec. 19 when a group of students made the trip to Baltimore to visit him. Mr. Holton, a former student of W. M. C., was seriously injured in an accident near Baltimore and has been in the hospital there for 13 weeks. During this time he has had four blood transfusions. Those who have given blood are Dr. Hill of the hospital staff there, Mathias Roth, Albert Dalton and Paul Laurence.

Before Mr. Holton will be able to walk, it will be necessary for him to return to the hospital for an operation on his injured foot and leg. The operation cannot be performed until the injury is entirely healed.

## BIDS FOR NEW BRIDGE ARE RECEIVED BY COMMISSION

Students of Washington Missionary College will probably look on the Sligo bridge for the last time when they go home for the Christmas holidays. Bids for the new bridge were received yesterday at Baltimore by the State Roads Commission.

Murphy & Co., contractors of Baltimore, were awarded the contract for razing the present structure on their bid of \$2000. Now that the reconstruction contract has been let, this work is expected to get under way within a few days. Construction of a foot-bridge across the creek was begun Monday morning.

While the new triple-span concrete bridge is being constructed, traffic will be detoured over Maple Ave.

## MT. RAINIER SERVICES ARE CONDUCTED BY STUDENTS

Church services are being held regularly Friday evenings at Mount Rainier, Md., under the direction of Harold Rudolph and James French. These meetings are well attended, and a large number of children take particular interest in the Sabbath school classes taught by some of the College students.

Friday evening, Dec. 18, Prof. E. C. Blue of the College Science Department gave a lecture showing how God appears to the scientist and how He reveals Himself in science. More than 40 people were present.

## MEN'S CLUB FILLS SIX BASKETS FOR CHARITY

The men's club of North Hall will give six baskets to the poor. Each basket will contain 27 varieties of food besides clothing and toys for the children. The baskets will be distributed tomorrow afternoon by Dean Eric Jones. Harold Voorhees has been sponsor of this campaign.

## SONG FOR CHRISTMAS

My song is of an ancient day and has been sung  
In every ancient land and every tongue,  
Yet never dies.  
Today, as long ago, a single voice  
From all the world repeats its glad "Rejoice,  
Make haste, arise!"

"One path has led the wise men to the shrine,  
Where shepherds kneel, and kneel the lowing kine  
To praise His grace;  
One radiant hope has gone out with each one  
Who bowed before the crib of Mary's Son,  
And saw His face.

"One flaming star has set the heavens afire,  
One song echoes from the mystic choir  
Throughout the earth;  
Love sheds on every side a glorious light,  
And Peace goes thrilling softly through the night  
Of Jesus' birth.

"One symphony swells on the air again—  
Starlight and song and love and peace toward men  
In Jesus' name;  
One sweet refrain, eternal and sublime,  
The great and joyous hymn of Christmas time,  
When Jesus came."

—Anne W. King.

## CHRISTMAS SURPRISE IS GIVEN TO NURSES

Anyone visiting the Nurses' Home at the Washington Sanitarium can't help sensing the yuletide atmosphere, for all the nurses have decorated their rooms with Christmas trees, holly, red ribbons and anything and everything that might add to the merry Christmas spirit. Very few of the young ladies are going to be able to go home this Christmas, so Mrs. W. E. Barr, preceptress of the home, is doing all in her power to help the nurses have a merry Christmas at "home."

Monday evening, Dec. 21, she invited "her" 70 girls to come to the parlor to play games, sing Christmas carols, to exchange gifts among themselves, and have a general good time together. Elder and Mrs. Barr surprised the nurses by giving them a dinner set which will serve eight people. It will be kept in the kitchenette where the girls frequently have parties and informal dinners.

There are 52 pieces of china in the set with glass tumblers and sherbets. The china is a cream color.

## ELDER LONGACRE SPEAKS IN MT. PLEASANT CHURCH

Elder C. S. Longacre, Religious Liberty secretary of the General Conference, delivered the sermon at the Mt. Pleasant church, Sabbath, Dec. 19. In his discourse he spoke on the proceedings at the League of Nations where delegates from 42 nations met last summer to consider the proposed "blank day" calendar.

Elder Longacre told of the utter failure of the "blank day" plan, and affirmed that "beyond the shadow of a doubt, the hand of God led in the affairs of this conference which decided to retain the present calendar."

## MOTHERS SELL FOOD TO PURCHASE BOOKS

Salads, sandwiches, cakes and cookies were a few of the delicacies sold yesterday afternoon at the food sale which was held in the Sanitarium store by the Mothers' Society of the Sligo church.

The club plans to purchase books with the proceeds from the sale. These books will be used in connection with a special course which members of the society are taking. The series of books by Prof. A. W. Spalding on the home and on training of children are being read by the club which is following a general outline that Professor Spalding suggests for such societies.

## PAGEANT TO BE GIVEN BY MISSIONARY GROUP

The pageant entitled "The Light of the World" will be the feature attraction at the Christmas program tomorrow evening, Dec. 24, given in the Washington Sanitarium gymnasium by the members of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society. The pageant is a missionary story having a Christmas setting. There will be two choirs to render Christmas carols throughout the entertainment.

Children of the community will also take part in the program by singing, playing, and giving recitations. There will be 40 young people to take part in this Christmas eve celebration.

## College Press Would Print All Over State

The 28 employees of the College Press were kept busy last year running five presses that made 8,376,000 impressions, and three linotypes that set 35,320,000 ems which weighed 276 tons.

One of them worked overtime to figure this out. The printing area of the 4,188,000 sheets printed would cover the state of Maryland which is 12,210 square miles, or it would cover the District of Columbia 16 pages deep. This paper weighed 259 tons and had a printing capacity of 323,056,800,000 ems. The ink used on the 1510 jobs sent to the pressroom and completed weighed a little less than four tons.

## DEAD TREE HAZARD NEAR CARROLL AVE. IS REMOVED

Another hazard was removed from the campus yesterday morning. With the aid of a windlass on a Potomac Electric Power Co. truck, a dead tree beside the Carroll Ave. walk was felled at 9 o'clock.

While campus workers were burning the annual crop of leaves from other trees Monday afternoon, flames got into the base of the dead oak. The light rain had little effect on the wood which was near punk.

By morning the tree was collapsing onto electric lines and the power company's equipment was called to fell it back on the campus.

## MR. SENSEMAN DRAWS PIGGLY WIGGLY PLANS

Plans for the Piggly Wiggly store which is being constructed on Carroll Ave. were drawn by Ronald Senseman, a student of W. M. C. The building, which is being built by William Ford is owned by H. H. Votaw and E. F. Pope.

## JULIUS GILBERT WHITE SPEAKS ON NUTRITION

### "Perfect Diet" Is Discussed From Scientific Viewpoint

Concluding a brief series of lectures on health protection, Elder Julius Gilbert White gave a third of his popular "Learn-How-to-be-Well" course. The first and second lectures were given in Columbia Hall Sunday and Monday nights.

Last night's discourse was given in the Sanitarium gymnasium. Elder White gave a thorough analysis of the causes of constipation, and outlined a list of health habits that will prevent such disorders.

The topic of the opening lecture was "The Perfect Diet" or "The Diet for the Best Health for the Most Years." His conclusions were based on the results of the most up-to-date scientific data available. "Perfect Health," he said, "depends upon perfect ratio, perfect digestion and perfect elimination."

"Foods are divided into two classes—acid and alkaline. Experiments have shown that the requirements of the body are best met by eliminating all meat, and eating three base forming dishes to every acid dish. A safe general rule would be three fruits and vegetables to one cereal."

Monday night, Elder White gave a detailed discussion of the 21 kinds of sour stomach, the causes for each kind and preventative and curative remedies.

The lectures that were given were a small part of Elder White's complete series on foods and nutrition. There are 58 diseases which he attributes to improper nutrition. All of his health programs are illustrated with stereopticon slides.

These lectures were sponsored by the Sanitarium Health Extension Service of the New England Sanitarium, Stoneham, Mass. The Extension Service is a world-wide movement for the promulgation of rational health principles.

## THEOLOGIAN EXPLAINS JAPANESE SITUATION

"Why did the military power in Japan seize the government last week?" was the subject of the lecture by Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, head of the Theological Department, Dec. 20 at Mt. Pleasant Hall.

Dr. Wilkinson pointed out the tremendous consequences of the new moves on the part of Japan last week. The seizure of Manchuria, which is the empire province of China as Japan consummates it, has filled the nations of the West with consternation. It is one of the final steps which will intensify feeling not only in Japan and China but also in the United States.

"Christendom will soon have something more astounding to occupy their minds than problems of prosperity and unemployment. Thus the great prophecies are rushing to their fulfillment," he said.

In his lecture Dec. 13 Dr. Wilkinson gave a detailed discussion of the meeting of Moslem kings and potentates in Jerusalem. He showed that there are four objectives of this conference: (1) to reaffirm the Calif (the Moslem pope) as the spiritual chief of the Mohammedans, (2) unite as one the 225,000,000 Moslems who are conquering in many places, (3) erect the throne of the Calif at Jerusalem and (4) provide a permanent fund to maintain this throne.

## HEDGE ALONG STREET FRONTS IS BEING SET

The Japanese privet hedge which was ordered last September is rapidly being set. To date, the three blocks along Flower Ave. has been set, and another line along President H. H. Hamilton's lawn from Flower Ave. to the mill is in the ground.

To prevent passages being made through the hedge, a barbed wire fence is being placed in it. It will be covered when the hedge reaches its normal height of three feet.



ALUMNI

Such cheery letters as the one below ought to appear in THE SLIGONIAN each week. Let more of the alumni send in word.

Khunti P. O.  
Ranchi Dist.,  
Nov. 19, 1931.

Dear "Sligonian":

A week ago the first "Sligonian" of the new year reached us, and I can assure you we read every word with interest. Many of the names are quite new to us, but there are enough of the familiar names to make it interesting to us.

We often think of our College days and of the happy associations we had. We want especially to encourage those of you who are working your way through College. Though you may be doing very menial work, and though you may consider it simply a means to the end, nevertheless that very work is an important part of your education, especially if you plan to come to a mission field. I don't think there is a solitary thing I learned to do with my hands that I have not found use for here in the mission field, and I am sure Mr. Votaw would say the same. You may think we have servants to do all of our work here. Yes, we do have servants to do some of the work, but when we have had to take a green servant who has never seen inside of a European's house,—who has never seen a tablecloth, nor a bed with springs, nor a door with a door knob to turn,—then we had to use every means we could think of to teach him how to do the work.

Or perhaps you are simply doing such work as carrying cement sacks, bricks, or a "devil" in a print shop. Never mind, that may come in useful. I remember a year or so ago when Mr. Votaw was overseeing the building of the bungalow here, the coolies were attempting to carry sacks of cement. Two of them grabbed hold of a sack and they were struggling and tugging and pulling, and panting, and then were not getting anywhere with it, until Mr. Votaw showed them how to throw it over their shoulders and walk off with it. So, if you are working during your spare hours, do that work as well as you can, and learn just as much about that work as you can, and learn to do it in the best way. You will find that is a vital part of your education.

Right at the present we are living in a mission-owned bungalow in Khunti. During the winter months Mr. Votaw will spend his whole time in evangelistic work in the villages. During the rainy season this year we put in long hours studying language, so as to be able to take our second year examination in Hindi. That came in September and October, so is now a thing of the past. We are planning now to learn Mundari, for where we are located it is only the educated people who can speak Hindi, and the common people know nothing but Mundari.

As far as climate goes, this is a choice spot of India. As near as I can learn it compares very favorably with the climate of southern California. We have about six weeks of extremely hot weather, then after that the rains break and the temperature goes down. During the winter months the nights are quite cold,—in fact, we have seen frost twice in four years. Then during the days when the sun comes up, it is delightful. The children thrive in this weather, and the younger boy, Herbert, has cheeks that look like Baldwin apples by the time the winter is over.

We love our work out here, and hope we can remain until the work is all finished up, and the Lord comes.

Sincerely,  
Verna Botsford-Votaw.

President and Mrs. H. H. Hamilton are expecting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Shepherd of Mount Vernon, Ohio, to be with them during the holidays. Mr. Shepherd is an alumnus of '29.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Jenkins, of Madison, N. Y., are spending the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. H. L. Shoup.

This Tomorrow -- Maybe (?)



Scenes such as this are sometimes seen on the campus of Washington Missionary College, but weather possibilities today fail to indicate such for this Christmas.

Second Semester  
Is One of Great  
Accomplishments

When Prof. Leo Thiel was president of Union College, Lincoln, Nebr., he wrote a few advantages of attending school the second semester. They were given in the *Clock Tower* of Dec. 10:

"Let us remind you again that the second semester is the semester of accomplishment. Steady progress, the turning of a straight, deep, wide, furrow, is the opportunity of the second semester student. During the long, uninterrupted weeks of constant application during the late winter and early spring months, most is accomplished by students and teachers. Classes have struck their paces. Those who are weak in heart, inadequate in preparation, or frivolous in purpose have made the necessary adjustments during the first semester and find out now just what they can do. The first semester establishes the ability of the student, the second accelerates it.

"It may be that you are one of a large number of young people who were unable to enter school in the fall. Now is the opportunity to redeem the time. There are many classes in which second semester students are invited to enroll."

CALL BOYS AT SANITARIUM  
RAISE YULETIDE EVERGREEN

Call boys at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital across the campus have caught the yuletide fever and erected their Christmas tree by the clerk's desk in the lobby of the main building yesterday. Their little shrine is the place where their gifts are placed until tonight. Already there are more than a hundred piled around the base of the evergreen.

Every year the call boys have the tree. All of the staff in the offices and patients who make gifts to the call boys or office workers place them under it. Tonight is the night when they will be distributed.

Mrs. Catherine Loffler, a guest at the Sanitarium, has given 48 silk neckties to men who are employed there.

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DEAN GIVES RECEPTION TO  
NORTH HALL MEN'S CLUB

Last evening at 9:15 o'clock, the residents of North Hall gathered in their worship room for a last "get together" before the Christmas vacation.

After several musical items, Dean and Mrs. Eric Jones presented the boys with a picture of George Washington. In speaking to the club, the Dean mentioned particularly his appreciation of their cooperation in the home. He also expressed a desire to have them reconsider their old club name, urging that if no better name be found soon, they continue as the "Famous Fifty."

The club gave Dean and Mrs. Jones a two-tone mahogany end table and an English occasional chair. Ice cream and cakes were served during the entertainment.

MUSIC STUDENTS PERFORM  
IN PRIVATE MUSIC RECITAL

A private recital of piano, violin and vocal students was presented by Prof. H. A. Miller in the music studio at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20. The program follows:

- Schutt ..... A La Bien Aimee  
Miss Florence Carlson
- Chopin ..... Prelude, A Major  
Miss Virginia Lower
- Grieg ..... Asa's Death  
Miss Elizabeth Weber
- Bach ..... Adagio from Concerto for Two Violins  
Miss Martha Jane Ruble  
Prof. Victor Johnson
- Jensen ..... Murmuring Zephyrs  
Miss Margaret Lawry
- Strauss ..... Tomorrow  
Mrs. L. Fairfax
- Heller ..... Warrior's Song  
Miss Mary McIndoo
- Thome ..... Impromptu  
Miss Eloise Walker
- Bond ..... My Soul  
Mrs. L. Fairfax
- Chopin ..... Waltz in A Flat  
Miss Marie Warnke
- Raff ..... Etude Melodique  
Miss Virginia Fleming

Elder and Mrs. Eric M. Howard leave tomorrow night on their return to England. They will tour part of the United States before they sail.

EXCHANGE

- To be studious and yet enjoy school life.
  - To be thrifty without being avaricious.
  - To be generous without being extravagant.
  - To be genial without being boresome.
  - To be reserved without being aloof.
  - To be self-respecting without being proud.
  - To be unassuming without lacking self-confidence.
  - To be intellectual without being irreligious.
  - To be cheerful without being ridiculous.
  - To be sincere without being solemn.
  - To be tolerant without being compromising.
  - To disapprove without being intolerant.
  - To distinguish without being critical.
  - To be broad-minded without being shallow.
  - To be deep-thinking without being narrow.
  - To appreciate the beautiful without disdain the common.
  - To be a leader without asserting your will.
  - To be a preacher without employing oratory.
- Calvin Gordon in the "Clock Tower," (Union College, Lincoln Nebr.)*

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**PROGRAM IS GIVEN BY GRADE SCHOOL PUPILS**

**Junior Chorus Makes Debut When Children Entertain at Meeting of Parents and Teachers**

Children of the Normal Department grammar school were the entertainers at the regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association in Columbia Hall last night. Mrs. E. E. Franklin, president of the society, conducted the program.

Christmas was the theme of the entertainment which was divided into two sections. The main floor of the auditorium was insufficient to seat the audience for the first numbers.

The College Orchestra, under the baton of Prof. Victor Johnson made its first appearance of the school year to play the three opening selections on the program. Miss Florence Carlson, of the Washington Sanitarium, followed with two solos on her marimba.

Another debut was made when the Junior Chorus, which was recently organized by Mrs. Verna Metcalfe, marched upon the platform and sang "Ring Ye Bells." Mrs. Metcalfe was at the piano and Paul Thompson, an eighth grade pupil conducted. When the audience demanded an encore, Kenneth Evans, who shares the conducting duties with Paul, took the baton. Paul took the leader's role again as the chorus sang "Silent Night."

Fourth and fifth grade pupils demonstrated the human Christmas tree. All lights were extinguished in the auditorium except the decorative lights on the "tree." With the aid of pedestals the children formed a tree.

After the "tree" sang three songs the audience retired informally to the gymnasium in the basement.

In the gymnasium there was a Christmas tree decorated simply with crepe paper and cornucopia of popcorn. Elder R. F. Farley called to the attention of the audience the fact that there were only three small presents on the tree. He announced that they contained \$18 for a Week of Sacrifice offering which the children had denied themselves.

First, second, and third grade pupils gave a symposium, each telling what the letters in "Christmas" meant.

Miss Phyllis Presley was hostess to 15 negro children from south-west Washington. The normal school pupils gave them presents instead of giving to one another. Apparently both groups received the fullest amount of joy in the affair.

Two bushels of popcorn balls were distributed among the younger attendants at the program.



Miss Virginia Hoelzel and Miss Minnie Abray were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Rice Sabbath, Dec. 19.

Miss Martha Jane Ruble and Miss Virginia Fleming were guests at the home of Elder and Mrs. F. M. Wilcox, Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rieben entertained Miss Margaret Mettler at their home on Maple Ave., Sabbath afternoon, Dec. 12.

Wilfred Lawry and Luther Martin will leave tonight to spend Christmas vacation at their respective homes in Oshawa, Canada and Olean, N. Y.

Elder H. J. Detwiler and family visited their son Newton in North Hall, Sunday, Dec. 20.

The College Press has contracted for another 8-page monthly paper. Its subscription list totals 1200 names.

Nearly 60 men of North Hall are going home for the holidays.

The mailing problem has been rather difficult at the Sanitarium for the last few days. Within the last week more than 2500 Christmas cards have been posted in the lone box inside the main entrance.

South Hall had a new kind of rising bell this morning. The Misses Verna and Frances Slate, Maybelle Vandermark, Ruth Nicola and Clare Bruce began to sing Christmas carols in the halls at 5:45 o'clock.

Melvin Sickler of Shenandoah Valley Academy was a visitor of the College over the week-end.

Wesley Moore, a former W. M. C. student, is back on the campus. He will work in the College Press during the holidays.

The Misses Margie Luttrell, Elizabeth Edwards and Evelyn and Louise Beaty were entertained at the home of Elder and Mrs. Earl F. Hackman Saturday evening, Dec. 19.

Miss Harriet Fisher is visiting her brother, Daniel Fisher, at the College this week. They are going home to Harrisburg, Pa., today.

Miss Marion Booth had Mrs. Elsie Osborn and Mrs. Carver Osborn as her guests for supper in Central Hall dining-room, Dec. 19.

**STEREOPTICON LECTURE ENDS WEEK OF PRAYER**

Elder F. C. Gilbert, director of the Hebrew Department of the General Conference Bureau of Home Missions, was the speaker at the meetings held at W. M. C. during the Week of Prayer, Dec. 12 to 19.

Regular services were held at the chapel hour at 9:15 each day. Elder Gilbert discussed such subjects as, "Why a Christian Should Have Confidence in His Work," "Telling the Truth," "Christ, His Glory and Riches," and "Directions for Entering the Heavenly Kingdom." Preceding each chapel hour student prayer bands met for 15 minutes of study. The faculty prayer bands met each morning at 7 o'clock.

Immediately following the chapel services on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Elder Gilbert conducted lectures on the much discussed subject of "The Sanctuary."

At the evening worship hour at 6:30, Elder Gilbert gave a series of lectures on the "Mission of the Prophets." Friday evening and Saturday morning services were calls to consecration. Contrary to custom the Washington Sanitarium conducted its own Sabbath morning services in the gymnasium. Elder L. A. Wilcox led the meetings at the Sanitarium each evening from 6:30 to 7:30 o'clock.

Saturday night, Dec. 19, Elder Gilbert presented a stereopticon lecture on Palestine. He imparted to the audience much valuable information concerning archeological discoveries of Biblical history. Recently he made an extensive tour of Palestine and Egypt where he studied carefully the historic places connected with Biblical events. The pictures which he used to illustrate his lecture are photographs which he took while making that trip.

**IMPROMPTU ORCHESTRA IS FEATURE OF NOVEL PARTY**

Sunday evening, Dec. 20, the Misses Ruth Conard and Promise Kloss were hostesses at a "melody party," given at Miss Conard's home, 210 Flower Ave.

Miss Maybelle Vandermark conducted an "orchestra" of which each guest was a member. The musical instruments varied from saxophones to harmonicas and combs. After refreshments were served, musical games were the order of the evening.

Among the guests were Elder and Mrs. W. R. French, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Magill, Mr. and Mrs. Meel Peden, the Misses Vandermark, Lucerne and Floto Collins, Hazel Hanvey, Mae Reichard, Virginia Fleming, Martha Jane Ruble, Dorothy Sampson, Edna Parsons, Wilma Steinman, Lois Branson, Eunice Graham, Grace and Esther Adams and Reba Williams, and Dell Haughey, Vinston Adams, Russell Bretz, Leslie Lait, John and Richard Minesinger, William Guthrie, James and Wylie French, Carl Stilson, Ralph and Donald Steinman, Harold Voorhees, Owen Wheeler and Eugene Evans.

**CONCERT BY COLLEGE BAND IS ANNOUNCED BY DIRECTOR**

A public concert will be given soon by the College Band, according to an announcement made yesterday by the conductor, Prof. Victor Johnson. Complete details of the program will be given when arrangements are complete.

The Band this year is one of the best in the history of the school, says Professor Johnson, and counts among its 20 members some outstanding talent.

Stanley Hall, trumpet soloist, is a musician with long experience. He played solo trumpet in the band of the Nashville (Tenn.) Conservatory of Music, and will play with them again next year.



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