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Boone J. C. Extends Christmas Greetings

Delta Psi Omega Initiates New Members

The Lounge of B. J. C. was again the location of a gala affair on Wednesday, December 7th, when the Delta Psi Omega officers and the Grand Director, Mr. Charles Schaeffer, held an initiation ceremony for associates (prospective members of Delta Psi Omega) in which the associates had an active part in the entertainment.

After the general information was given, the associate members presented dramatic readings for the permanent members and the Grand Director.

The associates are: Mearl Dicks, Jerry Bravard, Dee Eldien, Joan Welch, Danielle Hartsell, and Bob Gunderson, who wore the initiation badges on campus for two days following.

After the program a social evening ensued for members and associates who played progressive court whist, with Jerry Bravard and Gerry Raettig taking the prizes for the game.

B. J. C. Teachers Visited Greene County College Day

On Wednesday, December 7th, Mrs. Barquist and Mr. Porter met with students from East Greene Community, Churdan, Scranton, Rippey, and Jefferson Community High Schools. The instructors joined 35 other colleges and technological schools to answer questions that the students may have about the schools. The representatives from B. J. C. met with about 31 students who are interested in B. J. C. Questions in regard to tuition, transfer of credits, and curriculum were answered. Most of the students who were interested in B. J. C. were from East Greene Community and Jefferson Community High Schools.



Classes Suspended December 21st

Classes will be suspended at 3:35 P.M. on Wednesday, December 21st, for Christmas vacation. Classes will resume Tuesday morning, January 3rd, and not Monday, the second, as had previously been published on the official calendar. Just six days later the semester examinations will begin. They will be given during that entire week of January 9th through the thirteenth. Also during examination week there will be second semester registration.

Basketball Game Cancelled

The B. J. C. basketball team is getting its chance to play some games this year.

They had one game scheduled with Marshalltown for December 22nd, but due to a conflict the game was cancelled.

The school has written to Collins Radio in regard to a game to be held during Christmas vacation.

Pendergraft Visits B. J. C.

B. J. C. was honored December 9th with a visit by Mr. Daryl Pendergraft, the Assistant to the President of Iowa State Teachers College. Mr. Pendergraft met with the faculty to help evaluate the academic program offered by B. J. C. At the meeting the faculty and Mr. Pendergraft made a study of the facilities of the college, the syllabi presented, and the examinations used.

This visit was another step in the continuing process to integrate relationships and develop the ties between junior colleges and senior colleges and in particular to further the relationship between I. S. T. C. and B. J. C. Mr. Pendergraft's visit was also an advancement toward the approval of B. J. C. by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

French Film Will Be Shown

The fifth film of this year's film series, *Four Bags Full*, will be shown Wednesday evening, January 18th.

This film of French origin won the Best Film and Best French Actor awards in 1957. Also one of its players, Bourvil, won an award for the best male performance in 1956 by the Venice critics.

Four Bags Full is based on Marcel Ayme's satirical fable of two men who lug a contraband pig from one end of Paris to the other during the Nazi occupation. Its qualities of irony, suspense, uproarious farce, and very searching revelation of character under wartime stress recommend it to those who prize the choicest cinematic morsels.

The *New York Post* says of this film, "It's as fresh as it is surprising and pleasant."

The Editor Speaks



I missed just one meal and I thought I was hungry,
I put on my coat and thought I was cold,
I was away for a week and thought I was homesick,
I remembered my birthday, and thought I was old.

They cannot remember when they were not hungry,
They totter because they're so weak and so cold,
They know not the places where loved ones lie buried,
They die in their youth and they never grow old.

You who are warm and well fed and still sheltered,
You, who've been spared all the ravage of war—
Can you pass by on the road and ignore them:
Or will you respond to this call from afar?
SAMUEL PUGH

Once again it's Christmas time—a time for joy and thanksgiving. But Christmas is also a time for giving. It is a time for giving not just to our family, our friends, or our neighbors who will be giving us presents in return, but also to those who are hungry and cold and sick in our country and in other lands. These are the people who truly need to know the love of Christmas. These are the people we must help. Even though they may not be able to send back a present, they return to the giver a reward much greater than money can buy. They give the gift of love and gratitude.

Every year many drives are made to help the needy at Christmas. Christmas seals are sold; the tree of lights fund is started; the coffee key strips and stamps are collected to provide toys and gifts for needy children; benefits and drives are held: CARE packages are sent to all parts of the world to people who are in need. These are the things that help to make Christmas bright for all, not just a few.

However, in our fast moving jet

and rocket age, we sometimes forget that there are those who do not know the comforts of Christmas. As we sit in front of the Christmas tree and sing the traditional carols, we forget that there are those who cry out from hunger, cold, or pain. We tend to forget the small orphan or Hungarian refugee or tenement child who wants more than anything else to have a tiny doll for Christmas. She has no mythical toy maker to bring her the hope of a doll. This small child is faced with only the cruel world of reality and the knowledge that no doll will come. Wouldn't it be wonderful to see the face of this child light up as a tiny doll was unpacked from a Christmas box? She could for a moment, live in the fantasy world of normal childhood.

Many need like this. Many need food, clothing, and medicine, but even more they need a moment of happiness—a feeling that someone does care about them. There is no one but us to help them. Shall we be forgetful and selfish with our Christmas or shall we show the true Christmas spirit of giving?

"Can you pass by on the road and ignore them:

Or will you respond to this call from afar?"

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Officers Elected by Math and Science Club

The Math and Science Club met November 29th. They had 29 students attending. Kenny Klehm was elected president; Jim Veale, vice-president; and Barbara Burgess, secretary-treasurer. The purpose of the club is to provide an opportunity for the members to gain knowledge in all forms of math and science. It will give the students a chance to share with others this interest. At the present time some of the members are helping Mr. Poyzer, the sponsor, in experimenting with methods of teaching arithmetic in elementary grades.

Time is precious, but truth is more precious than time.—DISRAELI.

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Boone J. C. Constructs New Lunchroom



The event looked forward to by all students at Boone Junior College will take place early in January when the new lunchroom opens. This lunchroom, to be known as the 'Cellar,' will be the climax to a lot of hard work, a lot of planning, and above all, an original idea.

The Cellar was, until a few weeks ago, an isolated and abandoned coal-room that was recently used to store lumber. In order to make the room available for the new use, a 15-foot tunnel had to be dug, several tons of lumber moved, walls cemented, a walk poured, plastering done, coal dust removed, painting done, floor tiling laid, and many other jobs completed.

This project, which has been in the making for the largest part of the first semester, is to be the culmination of an idea thought up by Mr. Heyen many months ago. He said that the project has been slow in materializing but very rewarding because it will be a fine improvement to a fine school.

When the lunchroom opens, it will have a full-time operator and will be self-supporting. At first sandwiches, coffee, and candy will be served.

Our new Cellar will have a ceiling and two walls painted Capri blue and

two walls painted oxide red. The concrete floor will be covered by blue vinyl tile. The fixtures used will be those already owned by the college.

All of the work required to complete the lunchroom has been voluntary and is being given by the combined forces of Mr. Arvid Lein's high school vocational carpentry class, the entire college student body, and the college faculty.

The money to pay for the new improvements will come chiefly from the Liberal Arts, Delta Tau, Delta Psi Omega, and the Student Council organizations. Their Thanksgiving dance receipts plus the proceeds from a future Christmas dance, a college carnival, and the talent show will be used.

It is a sign that your reputation is small and sinking, if your own tongue must praise you.—MATTHEW HALE.

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Chorus Practices for Future Events

Every Friday morning at 8:00 and every Tuesday evening at 7:00 the lounge becomes the rehearsal room for the B. J. C. chorus. This year the chorus is under the direction of Neil Jackson. The pianist and assistant director is Kay Reed. The membership numbers about twenty.

Anyone who likes music or enjoys singing is welcome to join since there are no tryouts or auditions. All that is necessary for membership is to attend practices. Any student should feel free to come and sing.

Among the activities in which the chorus participates are the Variety Show, Christmas caroling, the Christmas program, and Commencement.

The highlight of the year is the Iowa Junior College Chorus Festival. This year it will be held at Clinton on March 21st. The students will spend two days at Clinton. About one and one-half days will be spent practicing, then the performance will be given on the night of the second day. The program consists of both secular and sacred music.

Thus far this year the chorus has participated in three major school functions. In October they sang for the United Nations celebration. December 6th the members sang carols at the hospital, the Eastern Star Masonic Home, and the Evangelical Free Church Home for the Aged. On December 19th the chorus participated in the all-college holiday party.

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B. J. C. Sponsored Thanksgiving Dance

A Thanksgiving dance was held at B. J. C. November 22nd. As an added feature to the evening's entertainment, a live turkey was given as a door prize. The winner of the fine Bronze turkey was Tom Fullerton.

The credit for the Thanksgiving dance and well planned program goes to the committee from the Liberal Arts Club who sponsored the evening's entertainment. Entertainment during the intermission included a special dance by Danielle Hartsell, piano playing by Karen Anderson, and a foolish bit of copying the fairer sex by Neil Jackson and Gary Sanders. Refreshments were served in Mr. Porter's room by Mary Vignovich, Glenda McCambridge, Kay Reed, and Barbara Anderson. Mike Hummel and Ted Bass were in charge of the decorations.

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Delta Tau Held Christmas Party

Delta Tau held its annual Christmas party on December 13th. The group was in good attendance as they enjoyed the Christmas festivities. Dee Eldien, the program chairman, led the group in some holiday games during which the grab bag gifts were distributed. Tea towels were presented to B. J. C. as a Christmas gift from the club members. Connie Miller and her committee then ended the evening by serving light refreshments.

A Very Merry Christmas to All!

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