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## "Messiah" Presented To Capacity Audience



Members of MESSIAH Chorus, soloists, and orchestra under the baton of Dr. Philip.

A Critical Review by Anne Mendelson

It is astonishing that last week's performance of Handel's *Messiah* went off as well as it did. It is, in fact, astonishing that anything resembling a performance should have emerged from the mish-mash of efforts involved. When one considers the complete musical inexperience of most of the chorus, the difficulty encountered this year as always in rounding up an orchestra, and the lack of rehearsal, the fact that a performance took place at all, does credit to the persevering efforts of all concerned.

By all odds, the best feature of last week's performance was the surprisingly accurate work of the chorus. Once one recognizes the fact that the Ursinus group simply cannot sing all of Handel's music as it was written, the liberties taken with the coloratura passages in, say, "For unto Us a Child Is Born", are pardonable. The quality of the tone was occasionally strained—the tenor section in particular emitting some decidedly harsh noises—but always acceptable and frequently beautiful.

The work of soloists and orchestra was less satisfying. Quite aside from quibbles over the dryness and lack of dynamic contrast in the sound produced by the small and ill-rehearsed orchestra, is it too much to hope that next year we shall have a trumpeter capable of playing correctly the solo passages in "The Trumpet Shall Sound?"

Most of the soloists displayed potentially fine voices, marred by excessive vibrato or poor production. Carol Bergey sang the soprano part with lovely tone but often faulty pitch; Gladys Kriese, the contralto, performed timidly and without real color. The voice seemed poorly focused—it was, if anything, more of a mezzo than a contralto. The tenor, Frederick Mayer, sang intelligently and carefully, although his voice tended to thin out in the upper register despite which weakness he chose to sing an unwritten high A at the end of "Thou Shalt Break Them". Chester Watson, announced on the program as the featured bass, was unfortunately not able to be present; he was replaced by Edwin Steffi. Mr. Steffi's voice consists of an overwhelming top supported by a decidedly deficient middle and bottom; as a result, his sing-

ing on Thursday night was principally a series of magnificent high notes (some of them not written by Handel, as the high D at the end of "But Who May Abide") interspersed here and there, rather apologetically, with lower tones.

The fact that the performance, despite these faults, went off smoothly and without mishap is in itself a tribute to the abilities of Dr. Philip. It is possible, of course, to quarrel with him over some of the liberties which he takes with Handel's

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## Y Plans for Fireside Chats on Wed., January 12

The next Student-Faculty Night will be sponsored by the Campus Affairs Commission on January 12. Students will visit the homes of professors to discuss anything of interest both light and serious.

Marilynn Bodlien will represent Ursinus at the 18th Ecumenical Student Conference on the World Christian Mission at Athens, Ohio, from Dec. 27 to Jan. 2. Three thousand students will attend this conference, 1500 of whom will be foreign students studying in the United States. Martin Luther King and Bishop Lesslie Newbigin, General Secretary of the International Missionary Council, will be two of the principal speakers at this conference.

The Student Worship Commission will visit the Franconia Mennonite Church on Sunday, January 9. These church visitations are open to any interested students. Fifty students visited the Central Schwenkfelder Church, December 6.

The Campus Affairs Commission sponsored a Christmas Reading Night during which Mr. Hudnut presented several readings. Sixty members were in attendance.

The Cabinet members were entertained by Mr. Jones at their annual Christmas meeting, Sunday, December 13, at Fetterolf House.

### CANTERBURY CLUB

This evening at 8 p.m. in the Girls' Day Study, the Canterbury Club of Ursinus College will hold a discussion on "The Christian View of Sexual Behavior".

Episcopal students are also reminded that cars leave from the new dorm and Shreiner on Wednesday mornings at 6:45 a.m. for the service of Holy Communion at St. James', Evansburg.

Beardwood Chemical Society  
Dr. Staiger will speak at a meeting of the Beardwood Chemical Society at 7:30 on December 14. The meeting will be held in S12. He will discuss his work on isotopic anhydrides.

### NOTICE

All dormitory proctors are reminded that they must file their letters of reapplication with the MSGA and The Dean of Men by January 8.

## Chi Alpha Plans For Service This Wednesday

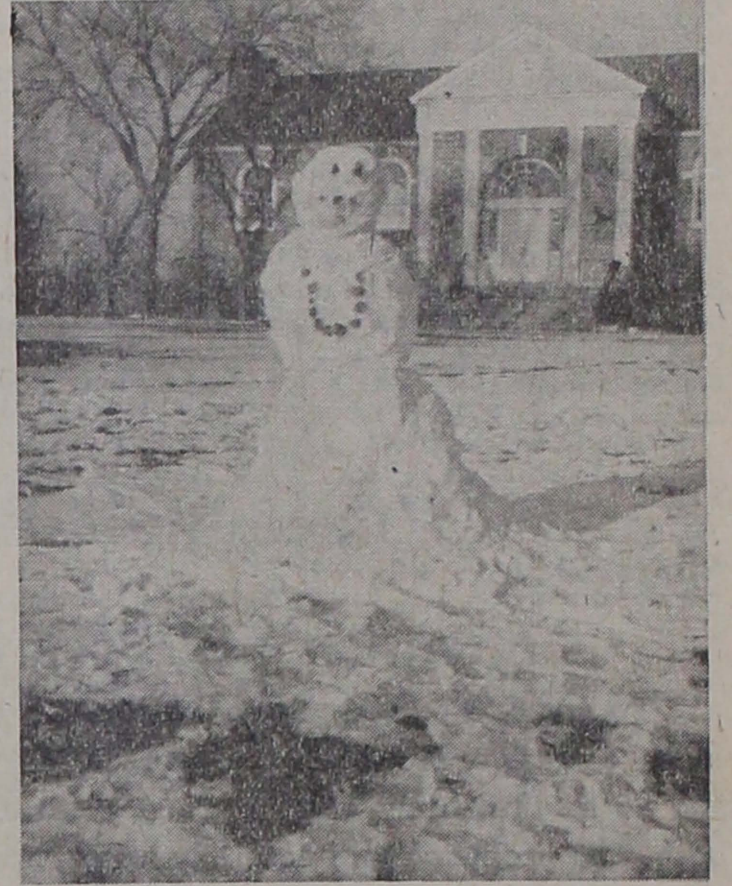
With final arrangements just about completed, the members of Chi Alpha, Ursinus' pre-theo fraternity, are looking forward to serving the elements of Holy Communion to a large number of Ursinus students and faculty members on Wednesday evening, December 16. The worship service will begin promptly at 8 p.m. in Bomberger Chapel under the leadership of the college chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Alfred L. Creager, who will be assisted by the Rev. Richard T. Schellhase and members of the organization.

An added feature of this year's service will be the rendition of two sacred choral numbers, "The Cherry Tree Carol" by Frank C. Butcher, and "Holy Lord of All" by Frances Williams. These numbers will be presented by the combined chapel choirs who have been practicing these numbers for the past few weeks. Under the direction of Dr. William F. Philip and Laverne Joseph, these numbers will add inspiration to this traditional service.

## Ursinus Christmas Spirit Enhanced By Caroling, Parties, Banquet, Dance



The wreath on Freeland and Ursinus' own "Frosty" mark the advent of Christmas.



## MSGA Seeks to Clarify Its Position in Male Discipline

The Men's Student Government Association met with the Committee on Discipline Wednesday afternoon, December 9, in the faculty room of the library. The meeting, called at the request of the MSGA, represented an attempt to strengthen and clarify the powers of the association with respect to student discipline. The MSGA issued its opinions and attitudes in the form of a prepared statement to the committee and to all Ursinus students. This statement is printed below in its entirety.

Earlier, on November 30, five Ursinus men were brought to trial for violation of MSGA rules twelve and one—specifically, possession and consumption of liquor on campus. These five students were punished with 29½ demerits apiece, fifteen of which were designated as temporary to be removed, pending satisfactory conduct, in January 1961.

It was brought to the attention of the association that a student-owned car was damaged in front of Firocroft Hall on Wednesday evening, November 25, and that a drain pipe was torn from the new girls' dormitories on the same night. All incidents of this type are to be reported to the Dean of Men or an MSGA official. Snow balling is to be confined to areas well out of the range of college buildings with MSGA rule four applying in case of violation.

The Trooper Lanes wish to start an Ursinus bowling league and the Men's Student Government Association was informed that Al Rosenberg in Fetterolf House is responsible for handling the plans. Interested

### French Club Celebrates Christmas with Gay Party

The French Club held their Christmas party at Clamer Hall on December 8. Snow was still on the ground and the reception room was gaily decorated so everyone was in a festive mood.

Judy Armstrong, who planned the program, led the group in singing French carols. Roger Brittain described the practice in France of attending midnight Mass and then returning home for a feast, le reveillon. Then Nancy Springer showed the group a Creche or manger scene, and reminded them that it symbolizes the true meaning of Christmas.

Everyone participated in a game with which questions posed in French had to be answered.

Dr. Wilcox ended the meeting by reading the Christmas story according to Saint Luke.

The January meeting of the club will be held at the Studio Cottage. Madame Jacquemin will sing at that time.

students should contact Al. In addition, Bill Briggs is trying to start a rifle team on campus, and interested people can find Bill on the first floor of Curtis Hall.

The following is the text of the MSGA statement to the faculty and students of Ursinus College:

With all due respect to the faculty and the students of Ursinus College and especially to those people concerned with this statement: The members of the Men's Student Government Association find themselves unable to accept the recent ruling by the Faculty Committee on Discipline which added demerits to the sentences of four Ursinus men.

The MSGA thanks the committee for upholding the original 21 work hours but feels that the additional punishment of 36½ temporary demerits was a slight to the work of the association.

The MSGA feels that when the faculty decided that the original sentence was too lenient, it should have quietly approached the association with a tactful suggestion by way of guidance rather than seeking to detract from the newly won prestige of the male governing body.

Acting on the case in question, the MSGA understood that the citizen offended by the students had asked the administration to show leniency and had refused to press charges of any kind. Furthermore, the men had signed a written agreement to reimburse the person for any damages which they had caused and, in addition, had approached him with sincere apologies which he accepted.

The MSGA would like to reassure the student body that, despite insinuations by some students and faculty members, there was absolutely no favoritism shown in the trial resulting in the 21 work hours, and that the decision was a sincere one reached through serious discussion and consideration.

The MSGA thinks it unfortunate that the committee is so

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### Schellhase Talks on The Church-Related College

The Rev. Richard T. Schellhase, assistant professor of Religion at Ursinus College, was the speaker at the meeting of the North Penn Ministerium in Christ Church, W. Marshall St., Norristown, this afternoon, December 14.

The Rev. Mr. Schellhase spoke on "The Church-related College" to the 40 members of the Ministerium, most of whom were graduates of the church-related college.

Within the next few days Ursinus students will be homeward bound, anticipating the pleasures of a two-week Christmas recess. The last few days will be busy ones filled with Christmas preparations, packing, and hourlies. Christmas celebrations have already begun here at Ursinus, some in keeping with the religious traditions of the season, others with the tradition of campus fun.

## WSGA Discusses Problems of Apparel, Manners

The first item on the agenda of the WSGA meeting held on Wednesday, December 9, was to appoint Gayle Gordinier and Gloria Burgoon to assist the MSGA in decorating for the Christmas Dance to be held on December 17.

The council then discussed the noise both in the library and during chapel services. The library is a place for quiet studying and those in the library should have the courtesy to refrain from making loud noises. Although there has been a noted improvement on the part of the student body in not walking in late to chapel and behind the chapel doors, some of the students are still proceeding to the second floor while chapel is still in session. Several suggestions, such as having a sign on the door or of having special guards at the two vestibules, were made, but these will only be considered seriously if the noise continues.

The question of wearing slacks in the snow was discussed. It was decided that Dean Rothenberger will contact all dormitories in ample time when slacks will be permitted to be worn to meals and to classes.

Several complaints about the table manners of the boys were heard. Gayle Gordinier, as the WSGA's representative to the MSGA, will take these complaints back to their meeting.

Pat Hoehl reported that Mrs. Helfferich has invited all Sophomore and Junior women to a Christmas dessert on Monday, December 14. Suggested attire for the affair is school clothes and flats.

### Israel Dance Group to Appear in Philadelphia

On December 27 and 28, Israel's unique dance theatre company Inbal, will be presented at the Academy of Music. This program will be presented under the auspices of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation.

Under the direction of Sara Levi-Tanai, the founder, the group has earned international fame. Their exotic dancing has won great praises from the critics.

Ticket prices range from \$1.50 to \$5.50; they are being sold at the Academy Box Office, or mail orders are being accepted by Emma Feldman, John Bartram Hotel, Phila. 7, Pa.

The annual presentation of Handel's *Messiah* has for the past twenty-two years been one of the highlights of the Christmas season at Ursinus. On Thursday evening, December 10, at 8:30 p.m., over 550 people crowded Bomberger Chapel and the adjoining rooms to hear this year's presentation. A chorus of 223 students sang under the direction of Dr. William Philip.

On Sunday evening, December 13, the "Y" presented a carol sing in Bomberger Chapel in place of the usual vespers. Caroling will also take place later this week. This year for the first time women from the various dormitories will go caroling from 10:30 to 11:30 p.m. Wednesday evening. Following the usual tradition, members of fraternities will carol on Thursday evening from midnight to 1 a.m.

Various organizations on campus have joined forces to bring Christmas to less fortunate people. On Saturday afternoon, December 12, the brothers of Delta Mu Sigma and the sisters of Phi Alpha Psi gave a Christmas party for the children of the Bethany Children's Home in Reading. Dr. Fletcher was present to tell stories, and Jim Sanderoock, as Santa Claus, distributed gifts and listened to Christmas orders from the children.

Tau Sigma Gamma and Zeta Chi held a party for 20 orphans sponsored by the Pottstown Salvation Army. The party was held

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### "Ordet", Danish Film, To be Shown in Phila.

"Ordet", the Danish Picture honored at all major international film festival prizes in 1958, will be screened by Exceptional Films Society this Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, December 17, 18, and 19, at the Franklin Institute, commencing 8:15 p.m. A story of religious passions and "hallucinations" of a Christ-figure, "Ordet" was directed by Carl Theodore Dreyer, previously known for his "Day of Wrath" and "Passion of Joan of Arc". It was accorded the Grand Prize in Venice, Cannes, and Edinburgh.

The program will open with "Smattering of Spots," experimental television commercials by John Hubley, art director of "Fantasia" and creator of "Gerald McBoing Boing."

Tickets may be procured at Gimbel's, at Exceptional Films office, 34 S. 17th St., or at the Franklin Institute, the nights of performances. Price reductions are available for students and faculty members.

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## EDITORIAL

### Tradition and Progress

To some, the ideas of tradition and progress are mutually exclusive. However, both forces may be co-existent, and to be ultimately effective, any institution must have both. The problem quite naturally arises, however, of when the one is to give place to the other.

Considering these concepts as applied to Ursinus during this past week, it is simple to see that our college is certainly enmeshed in numerous traditions. The strongest is that of an Ursinus Christmas. The precursor of this season is the annual presentation of Handel's MESSIAH. This performance seems to bring out all the goodness of the Christmas season as it should really be.

This tradition is accepted as being a constructive and creative one, not requiring amendment of purpose or function. Students accept the value of this custom. There are others they deprecate—traditions of ideals of student behavior. And there are other traditions to which they unreasonably hold.

In the former case we find students destroying accepted modes of conduct. They are abolishing the tradition of Ursinus students' being ladies and gentlemen. We have seen those students who persist in coming late to chapel and in making a disturbance. We have also seen the development of an irresponsible minority of females who need government legislation to tell them how to dress. And we have also noted the bad table manners of some of our male students.

While these aberrations from a traditional ideal may seem trivial, they are none the less important, and if suffered to become greater, they may destroy a worthwhile tradition.

In the latter case we have traditions to which some students persistently cling. While these traditions are completely untenable, students loyally hold to them. This affinity for the archaic may be accounted for only on the basis of selfish and irrational considerations. An example of this unfounded refusal to break with tradition is some of our students' reluctance to admit that an administrative change creating Saturday classes is definitely in the interest of progress. As Mr. Swinton pointed out last week, there are more reasons for than against these classes, least of which is the belief that they will encourage school spirit.

It is urged that students seriously consider the idea of Saturday classes. Mr. Swinton's editorial presents very well the practical consideration of such a program. The opposition is represented by "Letters to the Editor" in today's paper. We feel that in evaluating the two arguments, the objective student will undoubtedly reach the conclusion that Ursinus should hold classes on Saturday.

It is in a situation such as this that the students are given an opportunity to urge the change of the dated practice of no Saturday classes to the progressive policy of an institution which will be encouraged to implement a new policy. Here we have a case where administrative policy has become a tradition in the minds of the students. But now tradition and progress cannot be co-existent. The comfort of tradition is to give way to enlightened progress.



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## Observations and Reflections

by Richard F. Levine

People who smoke cigars in public deserve cancer; but the thought of this possibility does not alter my discomfort in the presence of such a person. I guess that everyone receives blessings and troubles in equal amounts, just as many blessings as troubles, and just as many of both as any other person. In considering this possibility, one must remember that the degree of a particular blessing or trouble can be accepted and interpreted differently by every person.

How we could laugh if we could read people's minds! The beautiful girl is really self-conscious and doubts herself; the smooth, confident person, besides his definitely positive qualities, really has an inferiority complex; the quiet, passive person really dreams of being masterful or doing exciting things; the jovial, talkative person is really neurotic. Actually all of us are insecure, no matter what our position. With all our blessings we still have our troubles!

I believe that the quality most typically feminine (though it may be found to some extent and degree in males also) is the ability to experience emotions vicariously. Observe a girl when her friend receives a bit of something good; see her smile; see her eyes light up! Or see how comforting and compassionate she can be when bad luck befalls a friend. This ability is the source of the notion that females are emotional and sensitive. They are not taught to associate the satisfaction or dissatisfaction of another female's soul with their own; they would tend to do so, I believe, only in a vague manner. This association is not at all comparative or competitive, as is the meeting of two male egos. Accordingly, I conclude that the female mind, or rather brain (I wish I could completely equate them), is different from that of the male. I believe that male and female brains have evolved into protective adjusting structures: the male to distrust and challenge an intruder or opponent, and the female to be always concerned with things related to the perpetuation of the race (thus to associate themselves with concern for children, and the preservation of anyone, really). I think analogies in the animal world could be easily found among mammals. But lately (since the establishment of civilization) men and women have no longer been charged with their former, natural responsibilities. Men have been able to have this vicariously pleasure-seeking motivation; women may have competitive egos. This change from nature's intent since the advent of civilization has resulted in the most disruptive conflict existing in our daily lives. The continuation of the original scheme of things still causes quite a lot of trouble, too.

Judge people for their performance, not by their job. A man's worth is derived from how well he performs his social function; a poor doctor is worth less to society than is a skillful bricklayer. See not only what a man does, but also how well he does it.

Challenge to intellectuals: which of you are externally and which of you are internally motivated? Do you "think" solely because such expression increases your status (from what depths?), or are you stimulated from within, by mechanisms understood only by psychoanalysts? Which of you find real joy in reading this or that obscure subject, in pondering a particular important problem, or ascending the multitudinous heights? Can you explain exactly why you do such things? I doubt it. If so, I doubt you!

## :: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ::

Dear Editor:

In regard to Mr. Swinton's editorial in the Dec. 7 issue of the Weekly, we would like to say that his conception of Saturday classes is both out of order and backed by a motive rather than one of trying to better the scholastic standing of Ursinus. We would like to remind Mr. Swinton that this [sic] not a penal institution and his suggestion is a step in that direction. Forcing [sic] a person's attendance at Saturday classes and ultimately requiring his presence on campus on weekends, would do nothing to foster school spirit and would tend to cause a resentful feeling toward studies.

Workers in industry who put in a five day week, look forward to a weekend of rest and a change from the routine of their livelihood. Therefore, why shouldn't this fact hold true for a college student who has the opportunity to secure a change from the drab routine of the college week? If a person derives more pleasure and relaxation from a weekend trip home than remaining on campus, why shouldn't he pursue his choice? After all, doesn't a person know what he wants to do? Caging such a person on campus would do nothing but foster resentment!

We wish Mr. Swinton would examine his motives a little more carefully before he alone passes judgment on what is best for the college. We have no possible solution to suggest, however, we feel that Mr. Swinton's idea is "way out."

Bill Faussett  
Dean Dobbins  
Richard Daniels

Dear Editor,

My mind seems warped. Please give me aid, for I find it difficult to agree with Mr. Swinton's main assumption and some of the corollaries he derived from it.

That school spirit is a good and necessary thing is to me unintelligible. To me it is a symptom of immature emotions, because it tends to prolong the transition from an irresponsible school-boy to a mature, thinking individual. In it there is no great value for the student. As the proportion of school unity increases, the student-body separation from the realities of life increases also. After cheering vociferously for the Ursinus five to defeat Susquehanna, a

student will find it increasingly difficult to feel in sympathy with those around him, who are working eight hours a day, fastening storm sashes and taking the kiddies to the zoo.

Also, it is indicated that attendance and participation in campus affairs builds school spirit. Granted that a winning Ursinus team encourages spirit in the heart of the rooter, but is not the reverse more often true: that there is some kind of spirit or obligation compelling the student to attend the less popular forum or the stodgy organization meeting?

Mr. Swinton seemed to imply that there exists a core of students who dash from meeting to forum to sports event. Hasn't he noticed the composition of the attenders and participants at these campus affairs? Undoubtedly the same general group attends all the forums, but this group of students does not compose the whole of the crowd at the basketball games or at the Curtain Club productions. It would be somewhat impractical and sometimes physically impossible for the existence of such a unit of activity-pushers.

The average Ursinus student takes part in several campus functions each week, and if you are implying that he should, for his own benefit, take even more advantage of campus activities, I do agree. But it you wish to make a student obligated to school functions for his non-scholastic entertainment, I can not agree with you. If the student finds greater pleasure at the Academy, or the Prop Room, or the Drug, he should feel in no way obligated to a campus function. It is up to the more active student to personally disseminate his enthusiasm to these less active, since the usual appeal through the dining room microphone or bulletin board posters reaches immune ears and eyes. It may be enlightening to invite the less active student to demonstrate the higher merit of his off-campus entertainment.

For the last point of disagreement, is the main reason for the proposal of Saturday classes to keep students on campus in order to counteract apathy?

Sincerely,  
Sandy Critchley

Dear Editor:

After witnessing the behavior of the Ursinus males at the  
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## Dear Editor . . . Within Reach . . .

You have no idea what a plague you are to me the week that my article is due. The sight of your Feature Editor a way off in the distance somewhere, in the weeks that she wants to sap my brain, makes me want to run in the other direction. The deadline is continually on my mind, but alas, the thoughts that I have for articles require more time to develop than I have in a normal day! Oh, I get ideas! Just to have you know how lucky you are to be missing them, I thought I'd thoroughly upset the Feature Editor and write to you about them.

I thought of writing an essay on the recent question of the traveling executive and whether we ought to, or constitutionally could, include it in our election campaigns. I thought of writing about people who are over twenty-one and who are neither registered nor care to vote. I thought of developing the brief thought of Tolstoy in Resurrection on the cruelty of man to man in the mechanized and electrical methods of execution, of the irreconcilability of capital punishment with Christianity.

I thought of writing about the graceless use of the chapel for anything other than a chapel, or, if it is an auditorium, for anything other than an auditorium. I considered saying that poems and short stories should go in the Lantern and not the Weekly, but then I realized that people like me cause you to have more space than words to fill that space. I wondered about the fact that the Freshmen and Sophomores don't know who or what the Stuics are.

Then I decided that perhaps my almost written subjects, if printed as statements, might invoke the letters of people whom I have angered or inspired, so you would then have many more articles. I stopped forrying and went to lunch.  
Sincerely,  
Alice Goodwaiter

Two new plays have been announced by Philadelphia theaters, and both are set to open within the next few days. A musical comedy, "The Pink Jungle", will run for four weeks at the Erlanger, beginning December 15. Ginger Rogers has star billing, backed by Agnes Moorehead, Lief Erickson and Maggie Hayes. Starting tonight the Walnut will present "The Andersonville Trial", and judging purely from the name of the play, it sounds like a good one. It will stay for two weeks and features George Scott, Albert Dekker, and Herbert Berghof (who in no way resembles J. Alfred Prufrock).

At the Academy, the following programs are scheduled for the next three weeks:

December 18-19: Wagner program, including excerpts from Lohengrin, Tannhauser, Siegfried, and Tristan Und Isolde.

December 26, 28: Evening in Old Vienna, with six selections from Strauss.

January 1-2: "The Ascension" (Messiaen), "Symphony No. 6" (Prokofieff), "Double Concerto" (Brahms) — featuring soloists Anshel Brusilow (violinist) and Lorne Munroe (violinist).

In the way of eating establishments, here's a unique one: The Three Threes Restaurant; 333 South Smedley Street; cuisine in the continental fashion; the best of wines and liquors; Gino Fornarol, host; and one added attraction—there's an Ursinus plaque on the wall.

Hint: unless you're looking for excitement, keep away from 2036 Sansom Street. It was raided 25 times in only eight months.

G. E. F.

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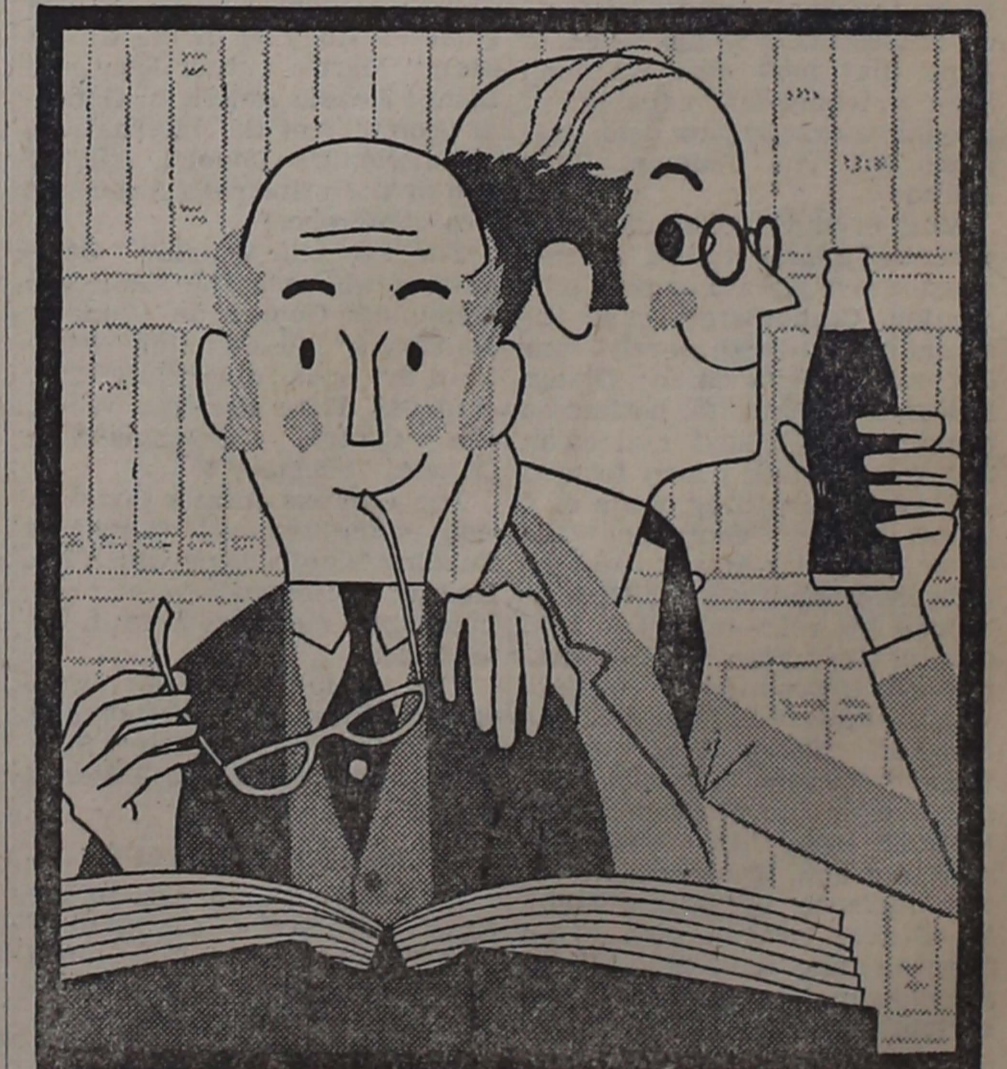
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"And add this," put in Mr. Wagnalls. "Taste: the faculty of . . . appreciating the beautiful . . ."  
"That," said Mr. Funk, "wraps it up. Mr. Wagnalls, will you join me in a Coca-Cola?"  
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"And . . . in such good taste!"



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### Hel's Corner

It has become a popular notion at Ursinus during the past years that the lack of success of our teams was at least partially to be attributed to the absence of school spirit and enthusiasm. In the light of recent evidence, this notion appears to be highly untrue. Anybody who attended the last two home games of the U. C. basketball team will readily agree that Ursinus has as responsive and enthusiastic a student body as any college in the area. Provided the student body is given something to cheer for, they will cheer. In other words, school spirit is, and in our opinion, always was, directly dependent upon the success of our teams and vice versa, as certain people are prone to believe.

And now let us consider the reason for the revival of the old Ursinus spirit—the 1959 basketball team! It seems that Coach Fry has presented Ursinus with a fine ball club this year. His contribution to the college in terms of building our self-respect and pride is invaluable. We would like to congratulate him in all sincerity and wish him and his team the best of luck for this season.

Even though it is still relatively early in the season to make any reliable predictions, we feel certain that the basketball team will prove itself to be far better than all our teams during the years past. Men like Jim Wenhold, Walt Dryfoos, and Wes James are bound to steal many a show for Ursinus as time progresses. Freshmen Walt Dryfoos and Wes James deserve special praise for their fine performance so far. We are confident they will not disappoint us in the games to come.

### Practice Now Underway for Women's Sports

This year's badminton team is underway with Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening practice sessions. Varsity members returning are Jeanne LeCato, Carol Heffelfinger, Sandra Rinehart, and Adele Statzel. Probable Junior Varsity team members are Gogo Alexander, Robin Forepaugh, Louise Sperber, Sue Andres, Barbara Pietzsch, Jan Snyder, Phyllis Longmire and Leanne Harten.

As yet the girls have no coach. There have also been no challenges, as the team's first match is not until February.

The following is a schedule of matches planned for the team: Wed., Feb. 17—Rosemont, home 4:00, 1, 2  
Thurs., Feb. 25—Dexel, home, 4:00, 1  
Tues. March 1 — Bryn Mawr, home, 4:00, 1, 2  
Thurs., March 10—Chestnut Hill, Away, 4:00, 1, 2  
Tues., March 15—Swarthmore, away, 4:00, 1, 2  
Wed., March 23—Penn, away, 4:00, 1, 2

### Girls' Basketball Drilling for Coming Season

The gals of Coach Eleanor Snell are determined to set Ursinus high upon the victory pole this basketball season. Returning this year are the following players: Faye Bardman (co-captain), Susie Wagner, Ingie Reiniger (co-captain), Lore Hamilton, Lynne Crosley, Anne Sansenbach, Winnie Miller, and Luey Magness. The strong U.C. forwards are expected to tickle the nets for a winning cause, with the bulk of the work going to Faye, Susie, Lore, Lynne, and Anne. Not to be outdone are the fast-moving guards led by Ingie, Luey, and Winnie.

The squad has been drilling on special tactics to meet this year's toughest opposition. In a few weeks the team will organize into what will be the starting line-up. Intensive team practice of both skills and positioning, along with that old-fashioned "will-to-win" spirit, will set the stage for the hardwood roster.

The team will face arch rivals West Chester State Teachers College, East Stroudsburg S.T.C., Albright, Temple, Beaver, and Swarthmore.

With several new rules in effect this season, the varsity players gave a demonstration to coaches and officials of an active game situation, applying the new regulations. This demonstration was held on December 5.

As the girls basketball season opens, let's give the team our support by attending the games.

## Dryfoos Sparks Bears To Victory Over F & M

Determined to avenge a 57-53 loss of the Junior Varsity to the Baby Diplomats of "that other Reformed college," Walt Dryfoos and Associates ran rampant this past Tuesday night on the home court, virtually clobbering the basketballers of Franklin & Marshall, 77-51.

Dryfoos, who could do nothing wrong and everything right, spearheaded the attack with 28 points as the Bears took their first basketball decision from F & M since 1951. Weaving and bobbing, this way and that, it was a sight to behold as the freshman forward faked one defender after another out of position. Lending able assistance to Dryfoos was Dennie Gould and Jim Wenhold. Dennie Gould led the attack in the first half when he dumped in 13 of his night's total of 21 points. When Gould began to "cool off" in the second half, Dryfoos became hotter than a two dollar pistol as he hit the rim for 21 points. Wenhold hit for 11 throughout the evening.

In the back court, where a tremendous amount of fine ball handling was done, were found Jack Schumacher, starting his first game of the season, Wes James and Dick Saylor. When the pressure was on, it was a welcomed sight to see two of these three with the ball.

Playing what proves to be their best team effort of the infant season—and yet a one man show—the Bears proved that this is a much inspired ball club that should really be headed for a lot more victories as time marches on. With an improved showing at the foul line and a con-

tinuance of some fine rebounding, this team is headed for a successful season. F & M placed two men in the double figures column as Bob Baron dropped in 15 points and J. Weinstein hit for 11 markers.

The Junior Varsity, leading 26-24 at half-time, fell behind shortly after the beginning of the fourth period and could not recover inspite of some fine defensive work on the part of "Sweets" Harper.

The Junior Bears placed three men in double figures as Bill Daggett led with 19 points. Dave Hall, a promising freshman who has been tagged as "sensational" by some of his devoted fans, had 14 while Dick Allebach tossed in 11. F & M, playing strictly a team game, had only Jim Leslie scoring 20 points.

Ursinus	FG	FS	Pts.
Dryfoos	11	6	28
Wenhold	4	3	11
Koch	0	0	0
Wise	1	0	2
Gould	7	7	21
Travis	1	1	3
James	2	0	4
Saylor	1	5	7
Cassel	0	0	0
Detweiler	0	1	1
Schumacher	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>77</b>

F & M	FG	FS	Pts.
Luskin	1	2	4
Betrone	1	7	9
Baron	4	7	15
Weinstein	4	3	11
Monroe	1	1	3
Seville	1	0	2
Pappas	2	1	5
Spector	1	0	2
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## Susquehanna Defeated By U C; Score of 74-67

Saturday evening in the New Gym, the fans of the 1959 version of the Ursinus basketball team were treated to a rare spectacle, as they saw not one, but two, teams playing a brand of ball which would have been deemed as "sloppy," had it been a high school game. Susquehanna has earned this distinction through its very poor showing, as a team, both offensively and defensively. Had it not been for Bill Moore, who poured in eleven field goals and two fouls for 24 points, the Crusaders would never have been in the game. Their defense was nothing more than miserable, as four of the varsity five left the game via the personal foul route. Ursinus won the honor of also being called sloppy by virtue of the fact that this team, which was definitely the better of the two squads, "blew" two twenty point leads during the game, and had to really fight for survival right down to the wire. It can be said, with little fear of contradiction, that this is probably the worst game that will be played on the home court this season. At least, we certainly hope so!

All of the scoring for the Bears was accomplished by members of the starting five, as the two freshman stand-outs poured in a like number of points. Dryfoos, who has earned the nickname of the "Animal" and the "Hooker" among certain circles, played a fine game under the basket, pulling down rebound after rebound. James, the "little fellow" who also had 17 points to share the honors with Dryfoos, showed plenty of spirit and determination as he led the team from the outside. Sitting in the "shadows", as far as scoring went, were Dennie Gould who had 16 points, Jim Wenhold with 14, and Dick Saylor 10.

Susquehanna featured three men in the double figures column as Bill Moore had 24 markers, Clark Mosier 11, and George Moore 10.

For the first and only time this season, there was no junior varsity game to serve as an appetizer for the fans. However, we understand that the junior Bears had their hands full this

past Friday afternoon when they scrimmaged that team from up the road—Collegeville-Trappe.

Ursinus	FG	FS	Pts.
Dryfoos	3	11	17
Wenhold	6	2	14
Wise	0	0	0
Koch	0	0	0
Gould	7	2	16
Travis	0	0	0
James	8	1	17
Schumacher	0	0	0
Saylor	4	2	10
Cassel	0	0	0
Detweiler	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>74</b>

Susquehanna	FG	FS	Pts.
Property	3	3	9
Gallagher	0	2	2
G. Moore	5	0	10
Mosier	4	3	11
Tyler	3	1	7
Hunt	1	0	2
Bobst	0	1	1
Wernau	0	1	1
W. Moore	11	2	24
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>67</b>

Half-time score: Ursinus 38, Susquehanna 30.



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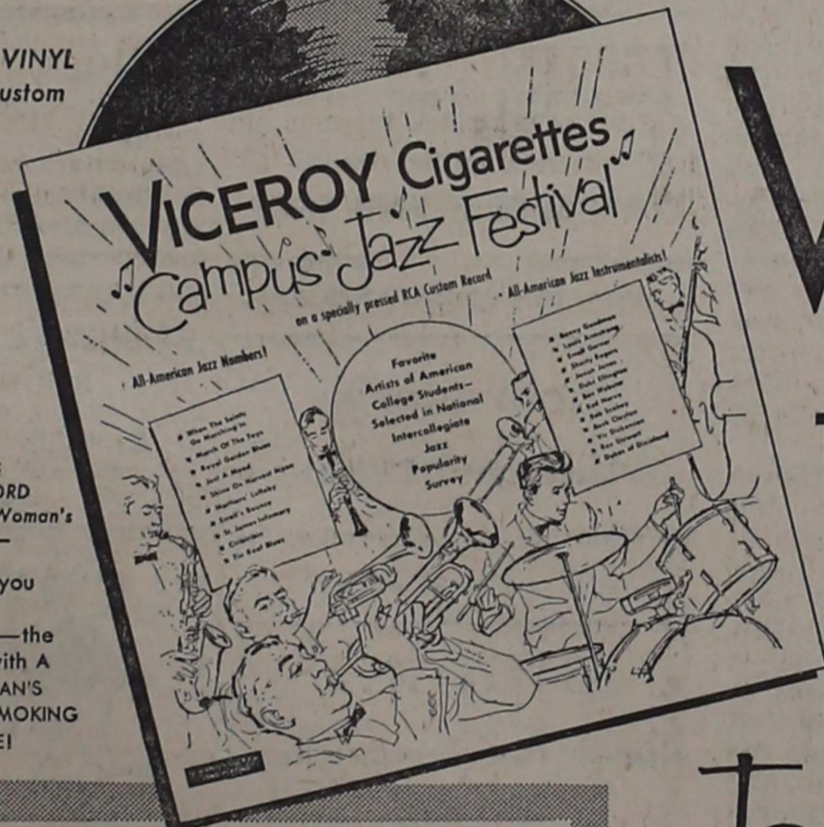
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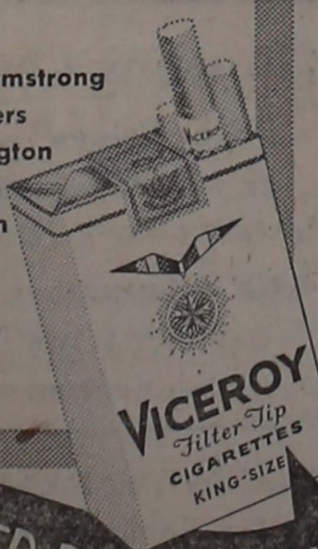
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# A Frosh Views Christmas at UC

by Brenda Theisz

The Christmas season at Ursinus, premature as it may be, is a festive time. From the time (the day after Thanksgiving vacation) that the carols from your neighbors hi-fi set announce that Christmas is approaching until you close your books after your final class on Friday, the yuletide spirit is prevalent at U. C.

The enthusiasm which accompanies Christmas is dominant over other feelings in most individuals. Christmas season is a time for everyone to be young again. From some natural impulse everyone is happier and friendlier. Despite the cold winds, there is a warm glow at this time. So isn't it only natural that everyone here at Ursinus latches on to this enthusiasm and turns anti-Scrooge?

Although this spirit is in the most part in-born, there are influencing factors which tend to help us toward the right direction. Among these at Ursinus is **The Messiah**. The impressiveness of this magnificent masterpiece is enough to instill in anyone a true spirit of Christmas. I say, true, for isn't the religious aspect of which Handel is telling the most significant part of this entire season? It is really sad that a few people have seized Christmas as they have everything else to use it for their own profit. It is a shame that the date which signifies the birth of our Lord has become so commercialized. **The Messiah** puts us in the proper frame of mind to come upon this sacred season.

Other things such as the cheery decorations of the dorms, the parties, the girls' banquet, and the caroling produce a joyous atmosphere. It would certainly be wonderful if everyone could catch the incurable "sickness" of true Christmas from Ursinus and have the happiest Christmas ever.

## Ursinus Christmas . . .

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on Saturday morning in the upstairs dining room of Freeland Hall. With Ed Kottcamp as Santa, the children received gifts and enjoyed games and refreshments. Still another Christmas party will be held this evening by Beta Sigma Lambda and O Chi. They will entertain the children of Bethany Children's Home with movies, games, gifts, and refreshments in the upstairs dining room of Freeland Hall.

On Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., the sisters of Alpha Sigma Nu will hold a Christmas party at the Kopper Kettle. The sisters will enjoy a dinner followed by singing carols and exchanging gifts. Phi Alpha Psi will also hold a Christmas party the same evening at the home of Martha Frankland.

Season's hospitality has been extended in the form of an open house by the girls of both Hobson and Duryea. The girls of Duryea held their open house on Sunday, December 6, from 2 to 5. The dormitory was gaily decorated to carry out the theme of Christmas trees. Hobson Hall held its open house on Sunday, December 13.

The religious side of Christmas will be observed on Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. when the annual Candlelight Communion Service will be held in Bomberger Chapel. The service which is sponsored by Chi Alpha is open to students. Members of the Chapel Choir and the Meistersingers will be present to provide sacred music.

The last of the season's festivities will be held on Thursday. On Thursday evening the WSGA and MSGA banquets will be held at Freeland. Following the banquets, there will be a Christmas dance in the T-G gym at which Santa Claus will appear to present gifts to the students. After the dance students will return to their dormitories to participate in the 'all-night parties' and to exchange gifts.

## NEWMAN CLUB

The Newman Club will hold a record dance on January 4 in the T-G Gym. Beginning at 8 o'clock, the dance will provide an opportunity to welcome back friends after the holiday vacation. Everyone is cordially invited to attend; refreshments will be served. Admission is 25 cents.



## The Greekvine

### ALPHA SIGMA NU

Best wishes to Fran—she's wearing a Sigma Chi pin from Dartmouth.

Congratulations are better late than never—Gail and Loretta are in Who's Who.

Hey Snyder, where's the meeting?

Lois has strange ideas about the way one wears fraternity pins.

What's the second verse, Nancy?

Sue has her own definition of the tree thorns on the Sig Nu rose.

Bea made Pi Nu! Mary, did you say "Neryn nitting nat nis nable"?

Woody is Sig Nu's "pin-up" girl in pajamas.

Cathy is looking for a place to park her camel in Boston.

Sig Nu is having a Christmas party at the Kopper Kettle tomorrow night. Along with dinner there will be singing of carols, and the exchanging of gifts. All of us would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### KAPPA DELTA KAPPA

Those girls running around campus accosting fraternity men with eggs last week were just new KD members preparing for their informal initiation on December 3 in the Student Union. The Intrepid is quite some ship isn't it, Linda?

Tuesday before Thanksgiving our formal initiation was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Rice. Marilyn Meeker, an ex-KD prexy, was on hand to join in the ceremony. Before going to the Rices, we invaded the CVI for smorgasbord.

Barb and Sharyn braved the elements to attend the Army-Navy game at Municipal Stadium, and according to reports, the game was well worth it.

What KD girl got stuck on 422 in a black hearse last Saturday night? Everyone is, wondering what Nancy is going to use her new rolling pin on.

Congratulations to Alice Mills on her planned marriage to Barry Dempsey, December 19. They plan to honeymoon in the Poconos. KD gave Alice a surprise shower in Paisley rec. room last Tuesday evening and everyone had a good time—how about it, Kathy?

Congratulations are also extended to Nancy Springer, Ardie Mumbauer, Dotti Lamm, and Linda MacFarland on their recent initiation into Pi Nu Epsilon.

Before Thanksgiving vacation KD and APO had a swim party at the Norristown Y. What a splash that was!!

"Merry Christmas to all and to all a good-night."

### OMEGA CHI

Hearty congratulations are extended to our sparkling viceprexy, Loretta, who was recently elected Lady of the Senior Ball. Hahneman Med school will never be the same when Loretta enters next fall. Big plans in the offing with Beta Sig for our annual orphan's party on December 14. . . we're hoping our little friends from the Bethany Home will enjoy a Christmas night with us!

O Chi "widows" are anxiously awaiting those Christmas leaves graciously extended by the Armed Forces. Larry, Bill and Merrill—welcome home! How many days, Arlene???

Many events to come after vacation—Let's sharpen our skates for a merry ice skating party with Sig Rho at the Valley Forge Rink. Also, some of us are looking forward to a visit with the Snowball Club at Split Rock Lodge; talk of skiing and sleigh

rides brings forth many gay pictures of a great weekend.

Congratulations are also extended to Lin Drummond, Lord of the Senior Ball. His lady, Gail, is mighty proud of him!!

Many high hopes for a meeting in Philadelphia during the Christmas holidays . . . with dinner and a show for an extra attraction.

O Chi wishes you a very Merry Christmas and hopes you have a great vacation!

Happy New Year, too!!

### PHI ALPHA PSI

Rumor has it that Christmas is coming, so may we take this opportunity to wish you all the very best Holiday season.

December 13 we joined with Demas in having an orphans' party. Jim Sandercock was a completely different person and gave a fine display of fatherly instincts.

Carol, tell us about Santa Claus.

It seems that all kinds of unexpected things may occur at Health and Physical Education Convention. How about it Fay, Weezie, Luey?

Bubbles, did you really become a day student?

Say, Joyce, have you been visiting lately?

Who steals G. D. towels from second floor Beardwood, Judy? Watch out! Helen's planning parties again.

Those hats are really cute, Dolly, I understand you're knitting socks now.

Well, I guess that's about all for today. Just one more thing—lots of luck, Agnes.

Merry Christmas!!

### TAU SIGMA GAMMA

Tau Sig and ZX combined efforts on Saturday to give twenty underprivileged children from Pottstown a Christmas party in the upstairs dining hall. Bob and Ingie were favorites with the kids although little Lulu looked right at home with the "little people". The wrapping of gifts took place in the Supply. Su hated to see that machine gun go! Pete was unhappy about the Scotch tape being backwards.

Hey, Morgan, why did you skip out early?

Tau Sig is in for another busy Christmas season, as over thirty-five sisters troop off to New York for a night on the town. Tickets have been purchased for various "accredited" shows, but Cindy would still rather hear readings in the Village. Pat, please get the right date!

Every colored TV set will be used by Tau Sig this Saturday. President Helen rides in the Liberty Bowl.

Congratulations to Temple Critchfield on her recent pinning to Phil Vokrot, a brother of Demas fraternity.

We wish everyone a very pleasant Christmas vacation and may all your Christmas trees be pine.

### Letters . . .

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movie in Pfahler on Friday, December 4, I feel that something should be done. There is no possibility of enjoying any movie where the "men" yell and whistle constantly. If the few members of the Ursinus male population are not mature enough to sit through a movie displaying any sort of emotion, then may I suggest that they go to the Saturday afternoon matinee and enjoy movies at their own mental level.

Some students and their guests are a little sick and tired of the way many male Ursinus students seek attention! I for one would be ashamed to bring a guest to see these free films. Embarrassed Senior

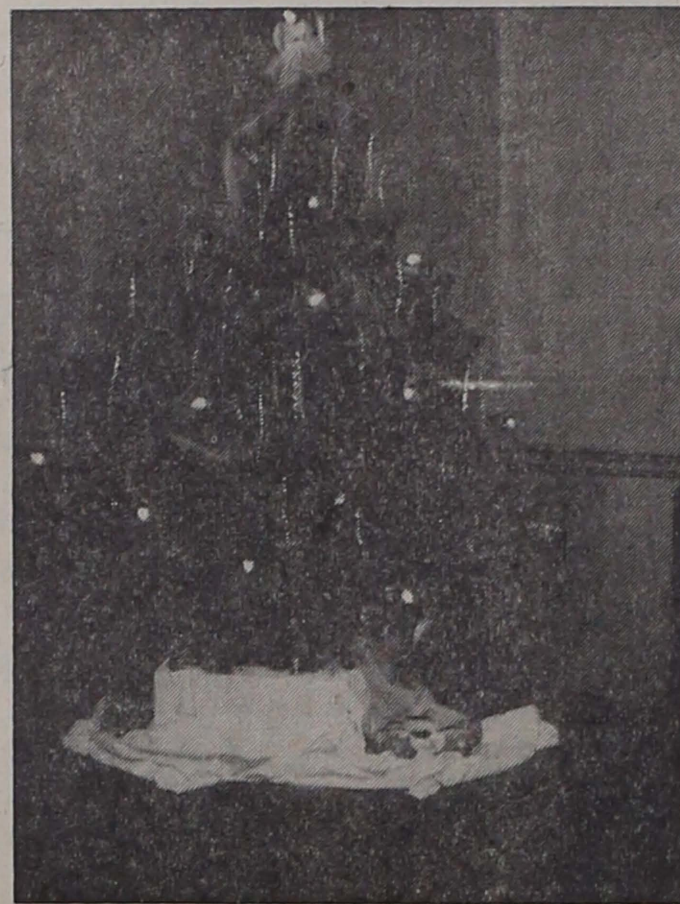
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## MSGA . . .

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adverse to its decision in view of the fact that the committee gave the association a vote of confidence one month before when it allowed the MSGA to review the case of a socially delinquent student. The MSGA also recalls that the committee released virtually unscathed, a group of students who forced Ursinus into national prominence last spring by occasioning United Press and Associated Press reports of a tar and feather fraternity initiation in Maryland. Now the faculty has overridden the MSGA in a matter that has, for all purposes, been settled peacefully and quietly by the parties involved.

It is also unfortunate that a student offender should be subjected to a series of trials at which punishments are piled successively upon him. The association took a step toward elimination of this situation when it agreed to review past cases of offenders; however, without at least a show of support from the Committee on Discipline, the MSGA is in danger of becoming again the ineffective organization and capus farce that it once was.

The Men's Student Government Association hopes that the committee will allow it in the future to deal with male discipline in the same fair impartial manner it has dealt with its preceding three cases. With enough faculty and student support, the association may some day be mature enough to take unto itself the entire burden of student discipline in which ideal case, a Faculty Committee on Discipline would not be needed at all.

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## "Messiah" . . .

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score: the tempo at which Dr. Philip takes "Let Us Break Their Bonds" is faulty, and some desire that he leave the "Hallelujah!" chorus in its proper place and perform, at the end, the excellent piece which Handel intended to be performed at that point.

Such quibbles, however, seem relatively unimportant in the realization that Dr. Philip is almost solely responsible for the fact that there was a performance at all. To elicit anything even remotely resembling a performance from four soloists, a small, poorly rehearsed orchestra, and two hundred or more eager, enthusiastic, and largely untalented college students must be next to impossible, but somehow Dr. Philip did it, and he is certainly to be commended.

No one can pretend that last week's performance was inspired, brilliant, or even very polished, but the fact that it took place at all is one more fact of which Ursinus may be proud.

## Clem Anderson Named to All-Chem. -American Team

Clem Anderson, a Senior chemistry major at Ursinus, has been named to the All-Chemical, All-American Football Honor Roll. Clem is one of 113 college and university students to have attained this distinction.

They have been named to the 1959 All-Chemical, All-American Football Honor Roll by the editors of the American Chemical Society's publication **Chemical and Engineering News**. The honor roll, which includes only football players who are students of chemistry and chemical engineering, is a tribute to all athletes who take part in any form of intercollegiate competition while maintaining a high scholarship standard.

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