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HOLLINS PLANS A TRADITIONAL YULETIDE WEEK

Sunday, December 12, will have more of Hollins' traditions than almost any other day of the year.

First, dinner at the usual time of 1:00 p. m. will be the Golden Rule dinner, at which the students voluntarily give up their big Sunday meal for a small lunch. The money which would have been spent for this big dinner is sent to Mercy House.

At 4:00 p. m. in the Green Drawing Room will be the annual Christmas tea, when both faculty and students gather for a holiday get-together.

Miss Susie N. Blair, of the Dramatic Art Department, will read the Christmas story at 6:30 p. m. also in the Green Drawing Room. This is her twenty-eighth year of reading stories that center around Christ's birth; they are always a pleasant and charming surprise.

The traditional White Gift Service on the Sunday night before Christmas vacation is one of the loveliest of the year.

This year the service will be held December 12 with "Y" president Lottie Patton in charge. The program consists of scripture readings and Christmas music by the choir. The stage banked in green and the students all in white will be in keeping with the spirit of the occasion.

The gifts presented by the student body are sent to needy people in a country selected by the students. This is done through the World Student Service Fund. As a special gesture this Christmas, many people have decided to give the money they would have spent on small presents to this cause.

Another special event of the coming week will be the party for the children from the Hollins Elementary School in Keller, December 14 from 1:45-2:45 p. m. Anyone who has attended the party in previous years knows how much fun it is. The children will give a special program and everyone will sing carols. The girls and boys will receive their presents from Santa Claus whom we know as Dr. G. C. White, professor of sociology.

There will be ice cream and cookies for the children. The cookies will be donated by Main Building which deserves a vote of thanks from the entire "Y."

IT'S PROM WEEKEND

The Sophomore Class will present their annual Sophomore Prom Saturday, December 11, from 8:00 to 12:00 p. m. in Tayloe Gymnasium. Featured will be the music of the Duke Ambassadors, a fourteen piece band from Duke University.

Prior to the formal dance there will be a jazz concert by the Ambassadors. The concert will be informal, and will be held from 3:00 to 4:30 p. m. in the Little Theatre. The Ambassadors are a very well-known band in North Carolina, and their leader, Jack Hail, is a student at Duke University.

After the concert a cocktail party will be held for members of the Sophomore Class and their escorts at the Patrick Henry Hotel in Roanoke. The cocktail party will run from 5:00 to 6:30 p. m. and the piano player from the Ambassadors will play through-

out the hour and a half party.

The Prom itself will begin at 9:00 p. m. Saturday night.

The decorations will be in a modern style. Ceiling decorations and murals on the walls, create a Christmas spirit.

Beginning at 10:00 p. m. pictures will be taken in the equipment room of the gym. The photographer will be Neil Good, and payments can be arranged for a later time. As many as five copies of the photographs will be made.

Refreshments will be served in Keller during the dance. Entertainment will hold a featured spot on the program, as, in several scenes, the Sophomores present Christmas, the old and the new. The Prom will end at twelve midnight.

Prom and concert tickets are now on sale.

Faculty Stays Busy During Holidays

This Christmas vacation will be a busy one for many of the Hollins faculty.

Mr. H. Lamar Crosby and Mrs. Mary B. Zeldin of the philosophy department, will be attending the Eastern division of the American Philosophical Association which meets in Baltimore Md., December 28-30.

Miss Mary V. Long, Mr. Jesse Zeldin of the English Department and Mlle. Luciene Idoine of the French Department will be meeting in New York City, December 27-29, with the Modern Language Association.

From the Department of Music Mr. Arthur S. Talmadge, and Miss Anne McClenny will attend the College Music Association which meets in New York City, December 29 and 30. Miss McClenny will be a member of a panel on Opera and is also on the membership committee.

Mrs. Thilde Beuing and Mr. Donald Bolger of the Hollins music department have been invited to be guest artists at a meeting of the Association of American Colleges. The national association will hold its meeting at

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Orchesis Presents Christmas Program

On December 15, Orchesis will stage its annual Christmas program at 8:00 p. m. in the Little Theatre. Club members who took part in the choreography of the dancers are Harriet Smith, Caroline Skipper, Staige Davis, Carol Wallace, Gina Hanscom, and Patsy Tanner.

Harriet Smith will present her own interpretation of the second movement of Dvorak's "Fifth Symphony." This is reminiscent of the modern dances of the early nineteen hundreds in that props will be used.

A Spanish pinnata party will be the theme of Caroline Skipper's number, while Staige Davis will give a Russian dance. Patsy Tanner will represent ice skaters in her selection.

On an entirely different note, Gina Hanscom and company will give their interpretation of the anthem, "Jubilate Deo." This will be sung by the choir.

To add to the Christmas spirit, Carol Wallace will be the embodiment of Christmas ornaments which are dissatisfied with their role in the make-believe world. After experimenting with all the other holiday fixtures, however they at last decide that their life is the merriest one.

Plan of Hollins Abroad Grows

President and Mrs. John R. Everett returned home during Thanksgiving vacation after a six weeks trip to Europe. Mr. Everett went to meet with Mlle. Paulette de Ram, former Hollins French instructor, who is working with the University of Paris, as the resident faculty member for "Hollins Abroad." He secured more information pertaining to this new program.

Mr. Everett interviewed the families who will house the "Hollins Abroad" students and said that when he left there were 18 prospective homes and three others if needed. The latest plan is for a large percentage of the 30 students to live together in pairs.

He said the homes are scattered all over Paris, mostly near the Arch of Triumph, two within walking distance of the Sorbonne, and all about 20 minutes from the University by bus or subway. He said families that had young people close to the ages of the girls were selected so the Hollins students could be shown around Paris by people their own age.

He also said that most of the families live in very large apartment houses and in almost all homes, there is a member who speaks English.

The Sorbonne, the liberal arts department of the University of Paris, Mr. Everett said, is very different from Hollins. It is a co-ed university with a large variety of technical and professional courses. The Hollins students will go to lectures and be tutored in groups, the former being the Fulbright lectures given by Prime Ministers of Europe. The students will find an even fuller schedule at the Sorbonne with classes extending into the evening.

Mr. Everett says there is a student government at the Sorbonne, but the only dormitories are country houses in which students from the U.S., Italy, Spain and Holland live.

The president furthered his Paris project by going to the American Hospital and making arrangements with American doctors for the Hollins girls to be checked periodically.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett went on a bus tour for a week to see what the facilities will be like for the summer travelling. He said the roads are not very good but the buses are luxurious, the hotels en route excellent, and the guides very capable. He also went to

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THE TRUE CHRISTMAS

Looking back over the past Yule seasons, some are amazed by the kaleidoscopic array of dolls that cry real tears, toy guns that shoot real sparks and the jeweled back scratchers which are foisted upon the public.

Many have looked away from this display to mutter cynically, "Commercialism has taken all the joy from Christmas."

But cynics, look more closely. You will see a young mother who, realizing that her five year old son is losing his belief in Santa Claus, collaborates with an artist friend on a letter in which she explains to the child that she and his father have been Santa Claus to him for a long time. Now, she tells him, he is old enough to be the Spirit of Giving for others, a spirit personified in the Wise Men, St. Nicholas or Santa Claus. Perhaps the parents' giving to the child helps him to understand.

If you cynics will peer again more closely you will see a mother, a father and four children kneeling before a softly lighted table in the center of which is a large pure-white cake holding one softly glowing candle. It is early Christmas morning and the family have not yet opened their gifts. They are, together, saying a prayer for their little Lord Jesus before cutting His birthday cake which they themselves have made. Where is the "commercialism of Christmas" here?

True, these are only two specific incidents, but let the cynic look into any American home—probably even his own on Christmas eve—and watch the decorating of the tree with the tip of it pointing toward Heaven, with the star, like the one which guided the Wise Men to the manger, gleaming at the very top, with the sparkling ornaments symbolizing the gifts of the Magi, glowing on every branch.

We Americans still believe, when we pause to think, that the spirit of Christmas is the willingness to give unsparingly of spiritual love to our fellow men, that every day can be Christmas.

We think that people realize that even though—

It's Christmas in the busy streets,
In the thronging mart,
The dearest, truest Christmas
Is in the human heart.

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How many of you remember what *Cargoes* used to be? It was a little literary magazine in which no one took an interest, and most of the writings published in it sounded like last year's Humanities papers.

Last year, in an effort to break away from *Cargoes'* not-so-good past, the *Blue Porker* was presented. It was *Cargoes*, under the disguise of a take-off on *The New Yorker*. True, it was no great literary publication, but it certainly aroused a lot of public interest. For the first time in years, students read and enjoyed *Cargoes*.

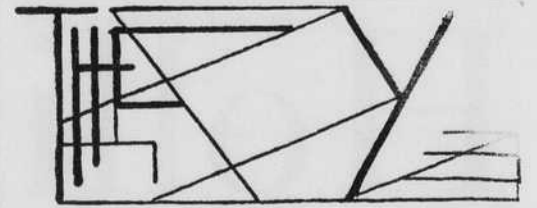
Now we would like to combine two elements in this year's *Cargoes*, a good literary magazine, and a magazine that will be readable, enjoyable, and interesting. However, we can't do this without your help. Good student contributions will give *Cargoes* the shot in the arm that it needs.

Take a few minutes and use your creative ability; in a liberal arts college with the type of girl which Hollins has there should certainly be enough interest and talent to more than fill a literary magazine that is put out only twice a year. Turn your contributions in to Judy Trumbull, editor, or any member of the *Cargoes* staff.

HOLLINS STUDENT'S POEM IS ACCEPTED

A poem by Stephanie Berrien, Class of '57, has been accepted for publication in the Annual Anthology of College Poetry. Her work "Children of France," was selected from thousands of poems submitted for this twelfth annual college competition.

The Anthology is a compilation of the finest poetry written by the college men and women of America, representing every section of the country. Over a hundred thousand manuscripts have been submitted to the National Poetry Association in the past ten years. Of these, about four thousand have been accepted for publication.



The Chapel speaker, Sunday December 5, was the Right Reverend Wilburn C. Campbell, Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.

He said that people today, as in every age, need emotional and spiritual stability. In this modern unpredictable world we feel frightened because the material upheavals threaten to uproot the beliefs we hold as to the nature of life.

The Bishop said that once he asked a group of high school students the question: "What do you want most in life for those you love most?" The almost unanimous answer was security.

How can we attain the security that we search for so feverishly? The speaker said that in order to find it, we must give up or transform our pleasant little fairy-tale escapist beliefs into a strong, full-bodied, energetic religion which is capable of dealing with our every day insecurities and crises.

We need a tough-minded, realistic religion. This is not to say that we must be world-seekers. Instead, we must fight under the banner of Christ, confident because we know that God is in the majority and will show us the way to achieve his ends—and in so doing to achieve our true purpose.

There is a live, on-going, redeemed fellowship which will give us the courage to live fully and unhesitatingly. This is the universal church of Christ. Here, in company with other Christians, we seek the Truth in which we will find an honest security in the world.

Committees Set Up

At the November 30 meeting of the Student Government Association, Gail Wood, president, asked for volunteers to serve on special committees which will help the Student Government carry out its work more completely.

She mentioned several, such as a committee which would act as an advisory to the president of the college, informing him regularly of the current campus activities and projects. Another group will be assigned to meet periodically with the chef and head-waiter to offer compliments and criticism on meals served in the dining room.

A Lost and Found Department is also to be set up, along with a committee which will take care of all secretarial work, such as typing and mimeographing.

Gail said that she hoped full cooperation and interest would be achieved in this undertaking, and that it would result in a more organized and closely-knit Student Government Association.

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THE DUKE AMBASSADORS

"Christmas Comes But Once A Year"

Santa has already presented his prize packages to the Hollins campus; they were delivered to some 450 girls about two weeks ago and even though they came in all shapes, colors, and sizes, the results are similar.

One by one the packages were opened and tumbling out all over the area, from Tinker to the stables, from the date house to Rose Hill, there were Christmas carols, Sophomore Prom, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," grinning faces, tinsel, White Gift Service, wrapping paper, door decorations, cold weather, knitting, red noses, fur coats, roast turkey, Christmas lists, records of "White Christmas," and a happy quickened pace. The label on the package read "Christmas Spirit, an original, designed by Sandy Claws." It hit like a typical northern blizzard and spread like a chain reaction.

The Christmas carols invade the streets of Roanoke where busy "Hollins ladies" window shop and drag along laden down with goodies; the "Holly Hop"—Christmas prom dominates Keller, Turner, and dorm conversation; the grinning faces take their places atop Hollins figures, and the tinsel accompanies the door decorations as reminders of the future festivities. Cold weather brings out the fur coats and red noses; knitting is the result of having a favorite male and candy canes and roast turkey become a large hunk of a planned vacation menu.

And so, one notices the effects of the parts of the package labeled Christmas spirit; the seniors feel it and connect it with being their last college Christmas; the juniors sense it and think that this time next year, they'll be seniors, and the sophomores relate it to their "festive formal" while some members of the '57 group think of Christmas next year, wondering if St. Nick comes to Paris—and the freshmen—ah! to get home and see

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Bing Crosby singing "White Christmas," the population in more of a hurry than usual, the smell of candy in the crowded ten-cent store—that's Christmas shopping. Also associated with Christmas shopping—at least in the Roanoke area, are Hollins girls. For the uninformed, I will hereby give fair warning; you may run into anything, just like I did the other day.

I was innocently looking at the new scrabble sets in a toy store when one of my friends ran up. "Ah am trying to find a pair of spurs for mah brother, pardner, but they don't have any such contraptions up here in the North." I couldn't give an appropriate answer to my Texan friend, so she was off with a tip of her sombrero (Texan for hat) and a merry greeting of "Felises Navidades."

The scrabble set looked much too expensive on further observation, so as I was leaving, one of those individuals known commonly as a "Keller fiend" approached.

"Three weeks of bridge, oh, the bliss of it!" she mumbled, ignoring me completely for the new Goren deck with point value given on each of the cards.

At the door of the store, one of those pseudo-intellectuals approached, with a book in her hand. "Look, Winnie the Pooh at last. I'm giving all my friends a copy for Christmas!"

This remark gave me an idea, and I went to the book store to look for gifts. I was hardly inside the door, when a bright-eyed young thing rushed by me. "Love comics! I'm giving all my friends a subscription to "True Romance." Dr. White says they're an outlet for the subconscious!"

Before I could say anything a sophomore came toward me, gnashing her teeth. "No sooner had I finished taking that objective test on "Henry IV" from Mr. Zeldin that I ran smack into this book "Shakespeare in 10 Easy Lessons."

I retreated quickly, knowing the threatening light in her eyes meant danger, and proceeded to the movies to see Marlon Brando. Two sobbing students were emerging from the theater. "We heard Marlon is married. Alas, all hope is gone."

At this news, I did not have the heart to see the movie and since my dream of finding Brando in my Christmas stocking was ruined, I decided the only place for me was the bleak melancholy of my room.

On my way to the bus stop, I heard strange noises coming toward me. People (they might have been Hollins students) were clenching giant scripts in their handing and mumbling "Beginning, beginning . . . at first . . . beginning." I was about to hide behind my shopping bag when I remembered the Christmas program was in rehearsal.

There were a group of freshmen gathered at the bus stop and they approached me anxiously. "Mr. Degginer told us there isn't any Santa Claus. Is this true?"

"Nonsense," I said, "Santa's an Ultimate Good." I was just beginning to feel I had done my good deed for the day, when I heard "The Marseillaise." Three sophomores appeared out of the throng of shoppers, their noses in the air. "Noel a Paree next year!" they cried.

Before I could join in their debate concerning Christmas cards perfumed with Chanel No. 5, the bus came, and I went home dreaming of a Christmas of sparkling snow, my "One and Only" and the lush creation in the window of Saks.

S. Lividahl

COMING EVENTS

December 11—Concert Duke Ambassadors, Little Theatre 3-4:30 p. m. Sophomore Prom, Gym, 9-12 p. m.

December 12—Christmas Tea, 4-5:15 p. m. Reading of a Christmas story, 6:30 p. m., Green Drawing Room. White Gift Service, 8:30 p. m. Little Theatre.

December 13—Orchesis, Practice Room, 7:30-9 p. m. Choral Club, Presser Auditorium, 7:30 p. m.

December 14—Y. W. C. A. Christmas Party, Keller, 3-4 p. m. Orchesis, 1½ hours after Student Government, Practice Room.

December 15—Orchesis Christmas Program, Little Theatre, 8:15 p. m.

December 17—Christmas Vacation Begins.

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CHESTER BOWLES SPEAKER AT LAST CONVOCATION

The Honorable Chester Bowles was guest speaker at a convocation held Thursday, December 2 at 11 a. m. in the Little Theatre. The subject of Mr. Bowles' speech was "Ambassador's Report" concerning American foreign policy in regard to Asia.

Chester Bowles is known throughout the world for his distinguished contributions as U. S. Ambassador to India. Earlier he achieved prominence as founder and partner of the famous advertising firm of Benton and Bowles; reorganizer and director of the Office of Price Stabilization; and governor of Connecticut.

Mr. Bowles was born in Springfield, Massachusetts and was educated at Choate School in Connecticut and at Yale University. His first job was with the family newspaper in Springfield, but he soon went to New York to work for a large advertising agency.

In 1929, Mr. Bowles entered government service. Two years later he was named to head the Office of Price Administration, and in 1946 became director of economic stabilization.

Mr. Bowles in 1946 was American delegate to the UNESCO conference in Paris and was appointed special consultant to the secretary-general of the United Nations. He also traveled in the capacity of chairman of the UN Appeal for Children in Eastern and Western Europe.

During Mr. Bowles' term as governor of Connecticut emphasis was placed on an improved school system, broadened labor legislation, expanding housing, welfare and child care programs, and government reorganization.

As ambassador to India, Mr. Bowles traveled over 60,000 miles talking with students, businessmen, farmers, factory workers and government officials, and worked closely with a major Point Four project developed during his term. Recently he has traveled throughout Asia, covering some eleven countries.

During Mr. Bowles' visit on campus a tea was held from 4:00 until 5:30 p. m. in his honor in order that the students could meet and talk with him.

Nine Attended NSA Meeting

Nine representatives of the Hollins Student Government Association attended the Virginia-Carolinas Fall Regional Assembly of the U. S. National Student Association held this past weekend at Duke University.

Attending were Gail Wood, president of the S.G.A.; Custis Archer, treasurer of the S.G.A.; Charlotte Wright, sophomore representative to the Executive Council; Staige Davis, house president of West; Carolyn Dillon, house president of East; Amelia Brown, house president of Turner Hall; and Knox McGuffin, junior representative to Honor Court. Representing *Hollins Columns* in the collegiate editors conference were Vina Vaughan Moore, editor of the newspaper, and Mary Woodrum Jones, make-up editor.

The Virginia-Carolinas region is one of the 20 regions in the NSA, an organization of some 300 college student bodies, represented through their student governments.

Although Hollins is not a member of this association Gail Wood, Ruth Ann Gee, chairman of Honor Court, and Toddy Barnard, chairman of the Campus Activities Committee, attended the NSA Congress held this summer in Iowa.

Hollins was then invited to the regional conference in hopes that she would become a member school.

VISIT MADE TO CONSUL

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the Consul General and the French police, telling them the names and addresses of the 21 families and the plans of the Hollins students.

Mr. Everett commented on the attitude of the French and Spanish, saying that the French are friendlier than the Spanish because they are used to foreigners, while the Spanish are still curious and hesitant.

He said the students will live an entirely different life, one that is continuously busy, but unscheduled. The girls won't know what to do because activities happen on the "spur of the moment" and all at the same time. He added that students will be faced with making quick, impromptu decisions on whether or not to go to a symphony, lecture, art display, cycling trip to Versailles for a picnic, or a walk through Paris streets. "Paris is a great city," he said, "especially for walking." It is a city of quaint "cafes where the world goes around, fabulous night clubs, out-of-the-way theaters, and small picturesque squares."

The Everetts saw the junior foreign study students, Sissy Edmondson, Kitty Jackson, and Ann Weisenberg, in Paris and ran into alumna Tony Benham in a restaurant in Madrid. His advice to the "Hollins Abroad" students is "be completely relaxed and just let it happen; go with Paris, it's a great city!"

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Humphrey Bogart, Audrey Hepburn, and William Holden.

December 12—"Brigadoon"

Gene Kelly, Van Johnson, and Cyd Charisse.

FACULTY STAYS BUSY

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the Statler Hotel in Washington, D. C.

Their performance will be given at a dinner for the presidents of 400 United States colleges. Mrs. Beuing and Mr. Bolger have the honor of representing the arts program of the association.

CHRISTMAS COMES

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the high school gang amid "deb" parties and reunions. The entire crew is tied into a bundle with a crinkly red ribbon and a card reading "a joyous happy holiday to Hollins land from the North Pole, Santa Claus, head resident!"

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