Merry Christmas

Finals, Formal, Yule Parties
Students Interrupt Late Cramming
To Dance At Year's First Formal

Students at KSUC were busier than at any time since September as the fall quarter drew to a close this week. In addition to such seasonal burdens as Christmas shopping and finals, most clubs, fraternities and activities were planning Christmas parties.

Social climax of the quarter and the years first formal was the Reindeer Frolic held Friday night at Moonlight Ballroom.

Christmas spirit pervaded the dance. Miniature reindeer were on each table and streamers of holly hung from the ceiling. Large reindeer heads with brisly antlers were placed throughout the spacious dance floor.

Even jolly old St. Nick himself (in the person of Hal Rubel) appeared to distribute candy canes to all good little boys and girls and an extra large one to Mr. Schindler.

In contrast to the skirt-and-sweater and slack-and-shirt garb of KSUC classrooms were girls in flashing fomals of every color and men in smooth suits. They swept across the floor to such seasonal music as "Winter Wonderland" and "White Christmas." Freddy Arthur's orchestra played.

Alumni Gather
Merry greetings were exchanged by old friends who had previously attended KSUC and now are scattered at various colleges.

Faculty advisor for the dance was Mrs. Laura McGregor, Joanne Ambro and Jack Perdue were student co-chairmen. Dick Fritschke and Jane Clarke prepared the decorations. Jack Poorman handled publicity and Bill Freeman, programs. Joyce Carpenter was in charge of invitations and Dean Wagner, chaperons.

Classes come to an end Friday (as though anyone needed to be told). The second quarter doesn't begin until Jan. 4, but the long Christmas vacation will be interrupted by registration on Dec. 29.

English Staff Change
Brings New Instructor

Miss Charleen Kring will be a new member of the KSUC faculty this winter quarter. Leaving Canton for Kent campus will be Miss Charlotte Lane, assistant professor of English.

Miss Kring was graduated from Lehman High school in Canton. She attended Baldwin-Wallace college for a year and a half and graduated from Western Reserve University in Cleveland. She received her M.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin. Miss Kring will be an English instructor and also will assist in the library.

James Harvey will be a full-time English instructor and also will assist in the library.

Canton College
Meets Obstacles,
Money Problems

KSUC students who hope to continue their education in Canton were heartened by the American Council on Education's recommendation for a permanent college here, but they now see numerous obstacles.

The latest splash of cold water was an abusive article in the Canton Forum on Dec. 2. The column and a half article was topped by a page-wide streamer reading, "UNIVERSITY WILL BE VOTED DOWN; READER SAYS."

At least one member of the board of education, though honestly willing to study all the arguments, doubts that the traditional liberal arts college is appropriate for Canton's present needs.

Members of Radio Workshop interviewed Mayor-Elect Thomas Nichols on election night and found him guarded and reserved on the college issue.

Before a Canton college can be set up, city council must approve the proposal and the mayor must name a board of trustees. The electorate would be asked to approve a 1.45 mill tax levy at a special polling, probably in February. The levy would provide current operating revenues.

STEEING GROUP
HOLDS MEETING

The possibility of chartering a bus for one of KSUC's out-of-town games was discussed at the first meeting of the freshman steering committee on Dec. 7.

Bob Rauschenbach will erect a "sign-here" poster to probe interest in hiring a bus to take a KSUC delegation to an away-from-home basketball game. The Junior Flashes have never had a student booster section on their road trips.

A mixer dance for freshmen also was discussed by the group, which is the legislative body of freshman student government.

Registration Figures
Show Enrollment Off

The total pre-registration for the winter quarter at KSUC has dropped to 556 from the fall total of 702. Forty-five student nurses, who have completed their basic requirements, have left. The figure for last year's winter quarter was 630.

Non-veteran men who will attend full-time classes number 190; part-time non-veteran men, 14; full-time men veterans, 170; part-time men veterans, 19; total men students, 393; a fall from the 454 of September.

Women enrolled for full-time, 126; part-time, 28; women veterans for full-time, 7; part-time, 2; total women enrollment, 163.
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ALL RIGHT, so you’re making passing grades or better at KSUC. How do you know whether the subject matter of courses and the grading standards here are comparable to those in other colleges and universities? To put it more pointedly, when you transfer to another institution for your last two years, will you be able to maintain a credible scholastic record?

YOUR FUTURE CHARTED

We know in a general way, of course, that KSUC alumni are succeeding elsewhere, but there is a battery of tests for checking the individual student’s preparation and ability for doing additional college work; and this battery probably will be offered on the campus in the spring, according to C. P. Monda, psychology instructor and supervisor of the testing program here.

The tests, called the Intermediate Tests, are nationally standard and are sponsored by the American Council on Education, the same agency that fathers the college board examinations required by many eastern colleges of freshman applicants. The Intermediate Tests, whether Kent takes them or not, will be offered in principal cities throughout the nation on May 13, and probably will be administered in Cleveland.

TESTS NOT FREE

The battery is designed primarily for students completing their sophomore year and is made up of a college ability test and a proficiency test. The former, which takes (gulp!) three hours, provides two scores, one on verbal comprehension and English expression, and one on quantitative reasoning. The proficiency tests are mere 90-minute deals and are offered in five areas: humanities, life sciences, mathematics, physical sciences and social sciences. You elect the two areas nearest to your anticipated major.

It costs ten dollars to take the battery, but Educational Testing Service, which is the subsidiary that conducts the tests, not only administers the tests but scores them and reports the grades to you, to KSUC and to whatever colleges you hope to transfer to. A good grade on the tests carries great weight; and, indeed, some universities are demanding them, or similar standard tests, of students coming from junior colleges, from lower division to upper division, and from pre-professional to professional curricula.

DEFEATS AVERTED

Although the Stater feels that there should be some limit to this running students through mechanical mazes, the Intermediate Tests probably are helpful. With everybody and his brother going to college, standards are bound to sag in many departments and schools. Criteria like the Intermediate Tests can be a continuing measure of a college’s teaching effectiveness. They also can reassure the transferring student that he is at least on a par with his new classmates or can warn the transferee that his preparation or ability are inadequate. This weeding out before the academic year begins streamlines the school’s classes; and it spares the unprepared student the humiliation of failing in a new and strange university.

STRONG CASE ARGUED FOR FLYING SAUCERS

By Paul Vossick

DO FLYING SAUCERS EXIST? The Air Force at Wright Patterson Field, Dayton, has admitted that “Flying saucers are no hoax.” Dozens of reliable witnesses have reported seeing flying saucers. Thousands of other people have reported seeing the discs. If all these people are to be believed, then our whole judicial system is a sham, since the testimony of one witness is enough to send a man to death.

Recently, flying saucers were reportedly followed the trail of a V2 rocket as it smashed its way into the area one hundred miles above the White Sands rocket range. Near this same range, it was reported that ships of incredible size were observed at altitudes of 30 or 40 miles, traveling at speeds of three or four miles per second.

If flying discs do exist, as the evidence seems to indicate, then it is vitally important for the security of the world to find out where they come from.

Have you ever asked yourself how the discs fly? They do not use propellers and there is no indication that jets or rockets are used. They are able to hover in the air, fly at speeds closer than one thousand miles per hour, and turn without banking. This indicates that the discs are propelled by some unknown force.

As for the “official” explanations of weather balloons, spots before the eyes, reflections from airplanes, etc., the evidence outweighs them. Disc ships have outraced and out-manouvered speedy jet planes; no balloon could do that. Reflections from planes do not occur at night. Cameras seem to suffer from spots before the eyes, too. There are photographs of discs which even the Army considers reliable.

MEN FROM MARS?

The most important question is where the discs come from. Officially, only the disc jockeys know (an extremely unfunny pun). One guess is as good as another. There seems to be no logical reason for any country to send ships like the discs over the world. On the contrary, the possession of such ships would very likely be more carefully guarded than the secrets of the atom bomb. The fact that mysterious objects have been seen in the skies previous to the disc mystery lends weight to the conclusion that they are extraterrestrial in origin. The advanced technological design of the discs seems to be beyond earth science.

ARE THEY HOSTILE?

Horrifying as it may seem, the earth could be absolutely helpless against an invasion from space. Despite aggressive rocket research, we are still far from accomplishing space travel. So far as is known, we have not been able even to reach the moon, only 240,000 miles away. How could we fight an enemy who may be anywhere from billions to trillions of miles away?

If the discs do exist, and if they are extraterrestrial, the earth is in terrible danger. Perhaps there are no flying discs, perhaps thousands of people all over the world experienced the same hallucination at the same time. Even experts can be fooled by faked pictures.

Perhaps, but can you be sure . . . ?

KSUC Queen’s Illness Gets Happy Ending... Thanks To T. B. Seals

By Eileen Lothamer

The Yule and its tide bring more than Santa Claus, at least at your reporter’s abode, for every Christmas come the Christmas seals. The usual procedure then is to recall something about helping eliminate tuberculosis and concluding, “It can’t happen to me, healthy as . . . ” But one of our KSUCers can no longer look at them and shrug them off so blithely, for they meant discovery of TB in the early stages and complete care at Molly Stark.

Last spring, Mae Wernecke patiently took a chest X-ray when the mobile unit was here at KSUC. For her it was routine; she had taken three others with negative results. As far as health, Mae looked quite a little better than general opinion, for the basketball team had singled her out as quite nice to look at and elected her their queen in February. Mae finished out a successful year in her preparation for airline hostess school. She secured a summer job which was disrupted suddenly in August when positive results were returned from the Spring X-ray. Three days later, Mae was at Molly Stark; she is still there—and her mother places duration of further treatment at six to eight months or more. So TB interrupted quite a lot for Mae—school, job, friends—and now Mae has not too many plans. She will obtain state rehabilitation in the form of free tuition to state colleges, she can knit now and roam participate in recreational activities there, and may take a language course later.

The purpose of all this news: For Mae’s friends and the altruistic ones here at KSUC it can serve to encourage them to drop a card to her (P. O. Box 367, Canton, Ohio) and visit her sometime perhaps; for the others it can serve as a reminder to have an X-ray every year and to send a little something back for those seals. Discovery in the early stages may deter your plans temporarily like Mae’s. Lack of detection may end them permanently.

LAST ISSUE WAS SPARKED with a touch of acid wit in a comparison of big and little schools, and the byline read Lisa Iannuzzi. This razor-witted feature began to us after a year at Duquesne—when her pharmacist-husband was transferred to Gray’s here. A staunch proponent of the school and marriage system, Lisa met her husband while in nursing school and dropped out to marry him. Then to satisfy her yen to teach she started her preparation for four-year elementary work.

IRONY OF IRONIES: Alma Zeppl in Art 320 worked for weeks making a hand puppet, patiently carving hands, slopping paint, glue, etc. Then on a field trip to Akron she espied a sale of them for 50c. Her cry, “There’s no justice!”
Kappa Rho Beta Has Broad Program, Including Capers on Canton Streets

Kappa Rho Beta is probably the only organization here that is older than KSUC. The fraternity was founded in 1937 to provide fraternal fellowship for students attending Kent extension classes. With the establishment of KSUC as a full-time branch, Kappa Rho Beta expanded its program to include such traditional fraternity activities as stag parties, dances, holiday celebrations and, of course, rugged initiation for its neophytes.

UPPER LEFT: KPB members include (seated, left to right) Jerry Carnahan, John Brunner, Chuck Cocklin, Lawrence "Doc" Trumble, Wilbur Hallam and Jack Everhart. Standing are Don Palmer, Dave Jackson, Dale Byers, Jim Troyan, Del Baker, John Gearhart, and Dr. Robert Allison, alumni advisor.

UPPER RIGHT: Cocklin, Trumble and Carnahan glance back at the Stater camera man at the fraternity's annual Thanksgiving party at Yants' Cottage.

LOWER LEFT: Pledges manned the courthouse wall with drum and trumpet on bell night. They are Hallam, with a broom at right shoulder arms, Carnahan, Brunner and Trumble.

CENTER RIGHT: Fraternity officers are (left to right) Jim Troyan, president; Don Palmer, vice president; Jack Poorman, treasurer, and Dave Jackson, chaplain. Everhart, secretary, was not present for this shot.

LOWER RIGHT: Because they wanted to make Canton a cleaner city in which to live, three pledges volunteered to clean downtown streets with toothbrushes. Everhart, Hallam and Trumble wield the brushes while Gearhart, Palmer, George Kuhn, Poorman, Byers and Jackson look on admiringly.

Photos by Fred Zahder and Bob Stano.
Four Staff Members of The Canton Kent Stater were advanced to editor's posts last week.

Marilyn Holcowitz was appointed news editor. She is in charge of general news and features carried on pages one and five, and will direct the activities of several reporters. She also will edit copy, write heads and do layout.

New Editorial Writer
Tom Metzer, who handled sports for the Lehman Journal last year, is now sports editor of the Stater. His plans are reported on page six.

Eileen Lothamer, now serving her second year on the Stater, will direct the editorial page. She has done a column for the five issues this term and now will add the writing of editorials to her responsibilities.

Paul Vossick, staff writer, will continue his science articles in the middle column of the editorial page.

More Copies Planned
Bob Stano was named head of photography and will plan the picture pages. He will be in charge of photographic supplies and will schedule film processing, layout and engraving.

Because all editions this term have "sold out," Harold Lipp, business manager, will increase the press run from 1200 to 1300. Six hundred copies of each issue are reserved for binding and these volumes will be distributed in June in place of yearbooks.

It was originally announced that students would have to pay a dollar for a bound file, but council now has promised sufficient funds to make possible a free copy to all students who will have attended KSUC for three quarters this year.

Scores Available On Fall Placement Quiz
Psychological and placement tests administered here at the beginning of the fall quarter have been returned from the machine scoring office at the campus.

Students interested in having an evaluation of their "profile," as the group of scores is called, may see C. P. Monda, head of KSUC's testing program. His office hours are from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday at the Union.

The tests measure general scholastic aptitude and various attainments in the use of English. Students who planned to enroll in math courses this term also took a placement test which measures qualifications in mathematics.

With the election of steering committees to perform legislative functions, student government at KSUC has been completed. Heading that government are the officers of the two classes, pictured here. In the upper picture are the sophomore class leaders. They are (left to right) George Trifilos, president; Priscilla Holder, secretary; Frank Okey, treasurer, and Gene Burkhardt, vice president.

Freshman class officers (below, left to right) are Melvin Stickle, president; Marilyn Wilbanks, secretary; Margaret George, treasurer, and Jack Everhart, vice president.

The class presidents and vice presidents, along with three faculty representatives, comprise the KSUC council which allocates activity funds, makes student appointments and performs other functions.
FTA HOLDS ELECTIONS, BAKE SALE; CHESSMEN START BEGINNER'S GROUP
BY ANN WESTRICK

While some of the KSUC clubs seem to be passing into obscurity or stagnating, there are still groups with enterprises worth noting.

Harvey Defeats Nine

In addition to their tournament, which is now under way, the Chess club is starting a beginners' group. Club members will instruct any students interested in learning the game, and have already placed a sign-up sheet on the main bulletin board. At the last meeting, James Harvey, club advisor, succeeded in defeating the nine members present, playing all nine games at the same time. (Skeptical novices will be happy to know that Mr. Harvey will also teach the beginners.)

Fraternity Elects

Kappa Rho Beta and Alpha Phi Omega fraternities will attend a city council meeting en masse with the purpose of asking support for a Canton college. Both fraternities are holding Christmas parties, but these will, of course, be separate affairs. KPB has elected Jack Everhart as secretary, an office formerly combined with that of treasurer.

Singers Give Show

Choral club's big program for the fall quarter was the Christmas program given Dec. 14. Mrs. Parkinson, club director in the absence of Mrs. Jayne Urban, said that she had planned the program with an eye for variety of content and balance of type.

Highly Speaks

No longer will the Pre-engineers appear bleary-eyed each month. The meeting time has been changed from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Union building. The speaker for the last meeting was F. H. Highly, who gave a talk on successful engineering. His advice ranged from training, to personal relations, to job selection. Speakers are planned for the future meetings and guests are invited to attend. Meetings will be held monthly.

F.T.A Bake Sale

The FTA candy and bake sale will be held today. Chairman for the project, which starts at 9 a.m. in the Union building, is Mary Ann Sparks. Members of the group will also continue to sell book covers and pencils in the halls.

Officers for the year are Barbara Stewart, president; Bob Malone, vice-president; Corinne Jacob, secretary; Marilyn Richards, treasurer, and Mary Ann Sparks, historian. FTA members plan to use the movie produced two years ago for recruiting. It will first be shown in various schools.

Tuesday, Dec. 7, a small group of the Future Teachers traveled to Mount Union college, where they were invited to a joint meeting.

McSweeney States European Views

Before a combined audience of KSUC and McKinley students, John McSweeney, representative from the sixteenth congressional district, presented his observations on the European situation, Nov. 23 in the McKinley High school auditorium. The talk was Rep. McSweeney's second since returning from a three months' tour of the continent and was the first full discussion of his trip.

After seeing the Marshall Plan in action and seeing the results brought about by such a program, Rep. McSweeney said that he would be willing to support such a European plan for rehabilitation to the utmost.

A question and answer period followed the talk.

Schindler Tours Branch Colleges, Compares KSUC

Clayton Schindler, KSUC director and associate professor of education, has just returned from a tour of branch colleges throughout the country. Included in the tour were Uniontown, a branch of the University of Pittsburgh; Keyser college, affiliated with the University of West Virginia; Altoona, Pa., affiliated with the University of Pennsylvania; Newark College of Arts and Science, affiliated with Rutgers university; Utica, New York, a part of Syracuse university, and four branches of New York City college.

Mr. Schindler found the campus at Altoona, Pa., to be the most unusual. It was started in 1934 when the citizens of the town raised $100,000 and purchased an old amusement park. Last spring all the people came out equipped with mops and rags to clean the park. They use the pool as a parking lot, the bath house for class rooms, old roller rink for the cafeteria, and the rifle range for the heating plant.

"It is just temporary, but it does have a lot of possibilities," stated Mr. Schindler. Altoona is one of the few self-supporting university branches.

In comparison to other two-year branches, Canton facilities are above average. Even with classes held in the high school building, KSUC's laboratory facilities are excellent. In tuition fee comparison, KSUC ranks low.

ADMITTANCE RULE DEMANDS TICKET

"Oh, d—, I forgot my activities ticket (he won't think I gave it to someone else to use), but I guess you will let me in."

"I'm sorry, we can't let you in without a ticket."

"But, I'm in your class. You know I go to KSUC."

"No (I sure do know he goes to KSUC), we can't admit you." A student will be admitted to the basketball games only upon presentation of his activity ticket. This is a rule.

Friends are sometimes expensive! If you bring a friend along to the game, who is not a student at KSUC, you must present your activity ticket and pay 30 cents for his admittance. However, you and your guest "can dance off both of your shoes" free of charge at the mixers following the game, for your activities ticket will admit a friend to the mixer free.

SOME OF TOWNS REPRESENTED HERE

KSUC is essentially a local college and most of its students are alumni of Canton high schools, but a liberal sprinkling of county, state, and even out-of-state students, gives KSUC wide variety in background and viewpoint.

Many From County

More KSUC students, 146, are alumni of Canton McKinley than of any other high school. Timken contributes 85 KSUC students, which is surprising because Timken's curricula are vocational rather than college preparatory. Lincoln, with 75 representatives here, ranks third of the five Canton high schools and Lehman fourth with 50. Central Catholic trails with 18, Mount Marie 10 and St. John's 1.

Massillon, with 63 enrollees at KSUC, has the greatest out-of-county representation at KSUC. North Canton is home for 16 students, Louisville, 14, Canton Township, 13.

Also From Abroad

Thirty-two other high schools have less than 10 alumni here and 58 additional high schools in all sections of the state are represented by one graduate each.

Ten states and the District of Columbia are represented here and, to impart international flavor, natives of England, Estonia and Germany attend KSUC classes.

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CAGERS SHOW OFFENSIVE POWER IN ROLLING TO TWO VICTORIES

BY TOM METZGER

As the KSUC Junior Flashes took to the court preceding last Thursday's engagement at Rio Grande college, they could boast of two victories in their first three engagements, while scoring 223 points to their opponents' 224.

Scoring records were thrown to the winds Nov. 22 as the Flashes opened their season with a convincing 102-82 win over a determined but definitely out of condition Alumni aggregation. The grade held Kent at bay during the first ten minutes, posting a 17-16 first period margin, but the varsity began to pull ahead in the second quarter, rolling up 30 points to obtain a 46-30 halftime bulge. Junior Flashes went on to hang up a score of 71-56 as the game headed into the final session.

Paul Nist of the Alumni led all scorers with 24 points while John "Curly" Morgan led KSUC with 25.

Top Tiffin, 64-58

Exactly one week later, on Nov. 29, KSUC opened its collegiate season against Tiffin college. Competition proved a little tougher for the Junior Flashes, but they managed to stave off a final quarter rally by Tiffin to chalk up their second win, this time by a 64-58 score.

A new scoring star came into the picture in the person of Bob Bush, diminutive forward, who tallied 19 points to lead Kent in the scoring parade. Jim Pastirius and Bob Tolson paced Tiffin with 15 points each.

Tiffin led at the end of the first quarter, 12-11, but KSUC went into the lead early in the second stanza and subsequently went on to post 32-17 and 49-40 quarter leads before halting the Tiffin uprising in the fourth period.

Scotties Rout Flashes

Two days later the Junior Flashes journeyed to Wooster to match baskets with Wooster college and came home on the short end of an 84-57 score. Kent fell behind at the end of the first quarter, 20-15, after which the Scotties posted 44-27 and 63-39 period leads before the final gun ended hostilities.

Wooster was led by Earl Shaw and Pat Milligan, who garnered 25 and 24 points, respectively. Morgan again led KSUC with 15 points as Coach Jay Fischer cleared the bench and gave every man on the squad a chance to see action and receive experience.

For Indefinite Time

Bob Bush, diminutive forward, will be lost to the varsity basketball squad for an indefinite period because of a severe attack of appendicitis, according to Coach Fischer.

Bush was stricken Dec. 4 and taken immediately to Aultman hospital, where he underwent an operation. His place in the lineup probably will be taken by Lawrence "Doc" Trumble, who has been accustomed to playing in the guard position, but who has displayed considerable versatility.

The starting lineup probably will be Trumble and Don Silovich, forwards; John Morgan, center; John Shrive and Rick Cathy, guards.

SPORTS STAFF CHOSEN

The sports staff of the Kent Stater has finally reached the stage where it can be classed as a smooth-working organization. Louis Belden, faculty advisor, has appointed Tom Metzger as editor of the page, with Tom Tersigni and Jim Price to serve as his assistants. The staff is also in charge of all athletic publicity and coverage of the Junior Flash basketball games for newspapers in the district. Tersigni is travelling with the team as the staff's correspondent.