

Editorial Comment Merry Christmas...

Despite the seemingly impossibility that Christmas vacation would never come, the anticipated days have finally arrived. For several weeks Christmas carols and downtown decorations have reminded the campus that the holidays were just around the corner. Every Christmas light, every tree ornament and every strain of "White Christmas" were enough to push thoughts and worries of school out of reach.

That the campus has been impatient for vacation to begin is reflected in every skipped class or neglected book. For the good that these past few days of school have accomplished, the holidays might have started last Friday. The majority of the teachers have foreseen this annual trek from school concentration to school damnation, and have postponed heavy assignments and tests. Other instructors believe pre-vacation week is no different than final exam week, and have assigned work accordingly. But either way, the student still relaxes his grip on school because of the nearing of Christmas and vacation.

Yes, Christmas is in the air. But there are other factors, in these waning days of 1950, that are bigger and far more important than a chance to see the home town again or to rest for two weeks. Mr. Truman has declared a state of emergency which will mean more sacrifices for the American people... more men will be called into the armed services. There is continuing bad news from the Korean war front... and always present are the discouraging failures to settle the troubled world through diplomatic means.

Because of the international situation, this Christmas probably will be different from those of last year and the year before. Yet despite the seriousness of the state of world affairs, Christmas will still be Christmas. The decorated tree will be there, the big dinner will remain only half-eaten, the carols will sound the same, and the mistletoe will produce the same reaction. And people will still say to one another as we of The Daily Nebraskan wish to do now, "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Moot Court Judges Hear Eleven More Law Students

Practice Moot Court continued Monday and Friday as judges heard three more cases presented by law students.

Latest winners and their opponents are: Howard L. Hansen and Magnus Robinson who defeated Simon C. Lantry and Don E. McClanahan; Lawrence L. Wilson and Warren Wise who won over Howard A. Maskell; and Carl W. Wellensiek and Paul S. Wellensiek, brothers, who defeated Frederick Dauffenbach and Leonard J. Roessler.

W. F. Fuhr, W. F. Carlisle and Miss V. L. Larsen, upperclassmen, were judges of Hansen, Robinson, Lantry and McClanahan. The lawyers' cases concerned the president of a grain company, McCormick, who sent a letter to

Herbst, a farmer, offering to sell him popcorn seed. In the letter he claimed the corn was the best one could obtain. Terms also were included.

Sends for Seed
When Herbst received the letter he decided to buy the seed and enclosed a money order with the acceptance. Nothing happened and Herbst brought action against McCormick for breach of contract.

The court held he could recover the amount of the money order.
In cases presented by Wilson, Wise and Maskell, Don Shanney, felt, instructor, and Don Kelley and Betty Nama, senior law student, were judges.

The case involved a Harold Smith, secretary of the treasury of the city of Hamilton, who was running for reelection. The publisher of the Hamilton Gazette, Jones, wrote a series of articles on the candidates. In one he questioned the integrity of Smith and printed figures to substantiate the fact that Smith had not accounted for all funds received as city treasurer.

Paper Libelous
Smith claimed the paper had been libelous. At the trial, it was proven that the figures were a result of a bookkeeping error and that Smith was not at fault. Jones claimed he was not libel for slander because at the time he believed the figures to be true. The court held that he still was libelous.

Judges of Wellensiek, Wellensiek, Dauffenbach and Roessler were upperclassmen J. R. Luedtke, D. Ellis, and R. Curling.

The case concerned a man called Monte who sold lottery tickets in the state of Nebraska where it was prohibited by state law. Monte fled to Code state before he was prosecuted. The governor of Code requested the governor of Nebraska to deliver Monte back, and the Code governor refused on the grounds that want Monte had done was not illegal in Code.

The court held that the Code governor did not have to send back the man.

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Happy Holidays

December is upon us so
It seems extremely apropos,
To scatter Season's Greetings wide,
Upon the fading country-side.
Cobs and Tassels, and pre-meds,
Hairy Huskers, fair coeds,
Athletes, students, ex-G.I.'s,
Deans, professors, college wives,
To each, a Happy Holiday,
To all, a Christmas roundelay.

Blessings on you, John Sinclair,
Virginia Taylor, Wayne "the Bear,"
Annie Stevenson, Ernie Skalla,
Big Ed Hussman of Ogallala,
Eileen Dierig, Johnny Schroeder,
Charley Toogood, Jody Löder,
Richard Kuska, campus wheel,
Nancy Porter, Leonard Kehl
Vacation will provide a tonic
For campus cops, Monsieur Stepanek,
For Kennedy, Bruce, who edits "the Rag,"
And Jacobs, Frank and his ha-ha mag.
A Merry Christmas (white, at that)
To every one and Peters, Pat.
To Janie Fletcher, sweet sixteen,
Julie Johnson, local queen,
Kayo Lytle, the Ugly Man,
Ira Epstein, Nagle, Fran,
And Santa, please grant every wish,
To Gus and Moke, and Also Tish,
To Pochie Rediger, Henry Cech,
Dr. Elliott, who teaches Ec.,
Choppy Rhodes, Richard Goeglein,
Byron Hooper, the Khan of Kegline.

The Uni Drug and Dirty Earls,
The Mortar Boards and Elgin girls,
And may the holidays be right,
For Leon Pfeiffer, Jody Hite,
Ruth and Ann, the sisters Raymond,
Father Schuster, all the laymen,
Herbert Reese, Leo Schmidt,
Janey Wade and Teddy Britt,
Dr. Jorgenson, atom-smasher,
Lil, the Diamond Grill's great hasher.
Jerry Solomon, Igor Barry,
Janice Hufford, Johnson, Jerry,
Deck the halls and ring the bells,
For Dorothy Elliott, Lewis and Nell,
Peter Peters, N.U. menace,
Richard Walsh, Howard Dennis,
Meyers, Hod and Patty Lamman,
T. J. Thompson, Jim Buchanan,
Bobby Reynolds, Nancy Button,
Sally Holmes, Patsy Dutton.
Season's Greetings otherwise,
To Jamie Curran, Johnny Mize,
Wilcox, George, Lisher, Jo Ann,
Rocky Mueller, Jack H. Cohen.
Robert Evans, Donald Lentz,
Gold and myrrh and frankincense,
Gaity and Auld Lang Syne,
A Happy New Year, Nancy Klein,
To Barger, Buck and Prof. Hicks,
(And especially Draft Board 26)
Here's hoping New Year's Eve is merry,
For Sid McKiver, Senator Wherry,
Joan Peden, the Tireless Turk,
Bobby Raun and Beetle Berg,
Audrey Rosenbaum, Bobby Jensen,
Betty Green and Ensign Benson,
Shirley Allen, Donder and Blitzen,
Donald Bloom and Dorothy Dixon,
Robert Parker, Bob McCune,
Subby Ruma, Ginny Guhin,
May '51 be better still,
For Doug MacArthur, Glassford, Bill,
For Col. Frankfurt, head of ROTCY,
Hadaool and also Patsy,
Nick Aducci, all the brothers,
A. T. Anderson, many others,
May angels sing the carols well,
For the boys near the 38th parallel,
And will the days be free of chill,
So diapers don't freeze at Huskerville.

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and all through the campus
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A brisk game of hockey high-
lighted the first party of the
week-end—the Kappa Sig ice
skating get-together.
Watching television at the
house afterward the couples
sipped hot chocolate and
munched on cookies. Records
furnished music for dancing.
A few of the athletic-loving
couples were Ed Berge and Mar-
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Orpha Ann Biederman, Jack
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Dwight Herandine and Cecilia
Pinkerton, and Don Wagner and
Carolyn Hill.
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given by the Kappa Sig's. Present
at the Sunday evening affair
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Carnaby, George Wilcox and
Mary Hubka, and Ted Coffee and
Mary Machle.
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Ted Randolph and Burdette
Fecha, and others.
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vors for the dates.
Jewelry boxes with the Phi
Delt crest were the favors for
the girls at their Christmas party.
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to each girl by the Phi Delta's.
Dancing at Cotner Terrace
were Chuck Bressman and Claire
Raish, Bob Gilmore and Barb
Luca, Paul Gustavson and Ann
Mockett, Sid McKiver and Jean
Steven, and Ken Fisher and Barb
Zimmerman.
Rose sweetheart of the Pi Kappa
Phi formal was Bobby Lev-
gran. Her date for the evening
was Don Kline.
Couples at the Pi Kap Rose
formal were Frank Hoffman and
Pat Van Sant, Ed Hussman and
Ann Griffiths, Bernie Costello
and Peg Neville, Bill Odman and
Pat Nolan.
The Delta Gamma's had a full
schedule of social events this
week-end. Friday evening was
their annual formal, Sunday af-
ternoon was a faculty tea, and
Sunday evening was their house
Christmas party in which they
exchange gifts with each other.
At their formal were Louise
Welles and Ted Britt, "Mud"
Yeakly and Wayne Handshy,
Shirley Sides and Jim Massey,
Sarah Devoe and Cub Clem, Joan
Forbes and John Wilson, Ann
Leuder and Tom Johnson.

Rusty Motter reigned as the
queen of the Pi Phi formal Sat-
urday evening. The queen was
elected by the pledges, who gave
the party.
The Seniors dined at Harold's
Steak House before the event,
while the rest of the house went
to Arbor Manor.
Entertainment was provided by
the pledge trio, consisting of
Betty Lester, Vera De Vore, and
Barb Adams. The combo was
from Cotner Terrace. Rusty Mot-
ter, senior queen, was with Ted
Gardiner. Other couples present
were Gwen Wisner and Bob
Duckworth, Delma Serenson and
Jim Roberts, Mary Ellen Ander-
son and Don Davis, Kathy Corp
and Jerry Desmond, and Kathy
Grable and Bill Hinkle.
The engagement of Kay Dod-

**Grid Players Double
As Sorority Pledges**
"This is the Sigma Kappa
house.
How do ya do?"
Anyone calling the Sigma
Kappa house Saturday afternoon
between the hours of 1 and 2
p.m., heard a chorus of male
voices answer the phone with a
song prepared especially for
them.
Who were these new
"pledges"? They were members
of the varsity football squad
that the Sigmas bought half in-
terest in at the AUP auction.
Greeted Like Kings
The girls greeted Nick Adduci,
Jack Carroll, Ron Clark, Rex
Hoy, Fran Nagle, Dick Regier,
Frank Simon, and Don Strashelm
at the door as if they were kings.
They took their coats and seated
them in the formal living room.
These eight gridmen were quite
unaware of what was in store
for them.
After learning the song, they
were put to work. Out of no-
where came pairs of shoes,
polish, brushes, and cleaning
rags. They went right to work
as if they were "bootblacks."
When their job was finished,
they were given 15 minutes to
prepare a skit. The sons of the
gridiron turned into actors and
presented a skit called, "Madrey,
The Magician." Jack Carroll
played the part of Madrey.
Fran Nagle was the first vic-
tim to be interviewed and hypno-
tized. Nagle disappeared only
to return as a woman. He walked
in with a long coat, a hat, and
gloves. Nick Adduci and Rex
Hoy were turned into a dog and

son and Joe Neal, a Delta Chi,
was announced at the formal
party.
The AOP's observed Founders
day last week. A 6 o'clock dinner
was held at the chapter house.
Four of the founders of the
Zeta chapter were present: Elsie
Ford Piner, Jennie Lou Piper,
Grace Roper Stone, and Viola
Grey.
Two Phi Psi-Kappa engage-
ments were announced at the
Phi Psi's annual Candlelight
formal Friday night. They were
Gene "Beans" Gilmore and Shir-
ley Evans and Jim Kirschbaum,
and Sally Rothenberger.
The formal, held at the Ter-
race room of the Lincoln Hotel,
was attended by Herb Jackman
and "Wib" Gass, Don Scott and
Rosemary Castner, Cal Kuska
and Mary Jane Weir, Dick Hoy-
endick and Barb Allen, "Buster"
Lehman and Frankie Nagle, and
other Phi Psi couples.
Fuzzy black and white toy
puzzles were the favors at each
girl's place. The dog tags con-
tained the Phi Psi crest.
Gayly decorated in the Christ-
mas motif was the Chi Omega
house for the annual holiday
ball.
Reciting a poetic announce-
ment, Lola Johnson disclosed the
engagement of Midge Gade and
Ed Tegmeier at the party. Miss
Gade is a sophomore at the Uni-
versity and Tegmeier is director
of music at St. Paul, Neb.
Refreshments consisted of
spicy Christmas tea and butter
cookies. Some of the Chi O's and
dates were Joe Raun and Del
Kopf, Mary Ann Pasek and Joe
Ponsejo, Lola Johnson and Lee
Geier, Patty Hasson and Dean
Heyer, Phil Murphy and Jim
Lantze, and "Meme" Allen and
Don Kuxhausen.
A cat who had much dislike for
each other.
"Abra-cadabra"
The "abra-cadabra" changed
Dick Regier into a lamp with a

CLASSIFIED
REWARD—Win the everlasting tan of
those to whom you give a plan for
Christmas. You can choose from one
of the most popular selections in the
midwest at Schwartzman's, 1312 1/2
street.
LARGE selection of sport shirts. The very
latest styles at AYERLE, 138 So. 13th.
WANTED—Riders to Chicago Christmas.
Students. Call 2-6450.
WANTED—Riders to Fort Campbell,
Kentucky or points en route including
St. Louis. Leaving Dec. 14. References
requested. Call Daily Nebraskan Office,
afternoons. Share expenses.
Tax for Sale—Size 38. Reasonably priced.
Call 4-3174.
WANTED—Ride to Black Hills region.
Noon Dec. 20. Share expenses. Call
2-7355. Jim Gibbs.
FOR SALE—Two Tuxedos. Sizes 37 & 38.
Excellent condition. Phone 4-2239.
WANTED—Two rides to Denver Christ-
mas. Share expenses. Call Le-
nors, 2-3530.
TAKEN by accident, one blue-green over-
coat from Union check stand. Please
return to Union office.
WANTED—Ride to Oklahoma, who will
help share expenses, leave any time and
return after Christmas vacation. If in-
terested, please call Daily Nebraskan
office or call for Joe Ellis at Fairview,
Nebraska. (Collect).
LOST—Man's gold Tavannes watch, in
214 E. B. Reward, 2-1701.
WANTED—Ride to Fargo, N. D. Christ-
mas. Dick Skog, 2-7741.
LOST—French wrist watch Saturday eve-
ning. 2-4882. Reward.

**Use of Christmas Trees Dates
Back to Ancient Roman Times**
It is pronounced in Dutch—the
patron saint of children.
Today, in England and Amer-
ica, children hang up their stock-
ings by the fireplace in hopes
that Santa Claus will dash down
the chimney and fill them with
toys. Norwegian children hunt
for their toys which have been
tucked away in unexpected
places.
In Italy, children draw their
presents from the "Urn of Fate"
—a custom which originated with
the Urn of Fate of the ancient
Romans. Some of the parcels
are blank, and so there is great
excitement at the drawing and
disappointment at first for the
children who do not understand
that in the end there will be gifts
for all.
Hence you have the true ori-
gin of our modern Christmas
tree, our seasonal Christmas
carols, and jolly old St. Nick—
all three playing a major part
of Christmas, the most joyous
season in the year's calendar.

**Faculty Member
Dies Sunday**
Earl W. Lantz, a member of
the University's education de-
partment staff since 1919, died
late Sunday.
He had retired from the Uni-
versity faculty in 1946 because
of ill health. At the time of his
retirement he held the rank of
associate professor.
For many years Professor
Lantz was a faculty adviser to
many student groups and his
name was associated with extra-
curricular activities such as the
rally committee, Student Coun-
cil, Union board and supervisor
of student elections.
Mr. Lantz was also an active
leader in the Boy Scouts and
other youth programs.
The state highway department
said today that motorists trav-
eled 8,182,000 miles daily on
rural roads in Nebraska during
November. This figure was down
12 per cent from October.

**Christmas Card
Mailing Rules Told**
Christmas cards mailed with
two-cents postage will continue
to be delivered as if they were
first class mail, according to an
order received by the Lincoln
postmaster.
If they were treated as third
class mail, they could not have
been delivered in the states listed
in the recent ban.

Roommate's Habits
"Ah gut a swell roommate, Ma.
She's from West Texas too. She
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Ah don't understand some things
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courtin lots of times.
"Now don't you and Pa get all
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"Ya know what? She's already
lent me a whole rool of her sta-
tionary!
"Lary to ye all—yer girl, Ida
Nell."

Hunts 'Feller'
"Ah'm gonna do lack ye said,
Ma, and get me a feller. Thought
ah had one yestidy, but that new
hold Pa learnt me didn't work.
Ah'd gut one last night, set in
they wouldn't let me in the fresh-
man dancet. They claimed my
dress wasn't fitting. Shucks, back
home Clem Hatfield never
minded burlap.
"Ma, they gut a place here
they call the lounge? They's whar
them football fellers hang out.
They's practicin in ther tuther
day and ast me to jern 'em. One
of 'um tried to teach me how to
huddle, Gee, Ma, ah never new
that game was so durn much fun.
"Land o' goshen, Ma, them
footballers is the biggest things
ya ever seed. Them lil white
shirts they war look lack they's
tattooed on. And you remember
them newfrangled things you
guv me to war with my sweaters?
Well, them football fellers war
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Street Festivals
When the different countries
migrated into the "new world,"
the community Christmas tree
was started. This tree was sup-
posed to take the place of the
street festivals of old Italy and
Spain, with their bonfires and
fireworks.
Many Americans practice the
custom of making a bird's tree,
filled with cookies, nuts, and
seeds, and putting it in a safe
place outside. This originated
from the Scandinavian custom of
placing grain sheafs on a tall
pole in the dooryard for birds
on Christmas morning.
Most of our carols, such as
the French "Noel" and the fam-
ous German "Kirtleder" ori-
ginated in the "Middle Ages"
when they were sung in Christ-
mas plays.
In England, "waits" sing under
windows on Christmas eve as
they have done for countless
Christmases.
We can thank the Dutch im-
migrants who settled in New
York for the arrival of Santa
Claus into America. This jolly
old fellow is none other than
St. Nicholas or San Nicholas, as

Ida's Letter
"Dear Ma:
"This her's yer girl, Ida Nell,
rightin home lettin ye know that
everything hunky-dory. These
here folks shore ere nice. Shucks,
ah hawdy gut on the campus
fore they tuck and thrum me in
one a them registration lines
over to the book larnin place.
"They guv me one of them
purtly pink cards. Shucks, Ma, it
sorta matches them britches
Uncle Lon guv me for Xmas.
Then they slapped one of them
fancy green caps on me. It kinda
reminded me of the one them
fellers guy Cousin Wilber down
at Huntsville—septin his had
them blue and white stripes on it.
"Donege be a worrien 'bout
me, Ma. All a folks here done
tuck keer of me. Yestidy, one
real nice feller sold me his eleva-
tor ticket fer halfprice, only \$5.
Ah tummy, ah kin buy a foot-

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that the Sigmas bought half in-
terest in at the AUP auction.
Greeted Like Kings
The girls greeted Nick Adduci,
Jack Carroll, Ron Clark, Rex
Hoy, Fran Nagle, Dick Regier,
Frank Simon, and Don Strashelm
at the door as if they were kings.
They took their coats and seated
them in the formal living room.
These eight gridmen were quite
unaware of what was in store
for them.
After learning the song, they
were put to work. Out of no-
where came pairs of shoes,
polish, brushes, and cleaning
rags. They went right to work
as if they were "bootblacks."
When their job was finished,
they were given 15 minutes to
prepare a skit. The sons of the
gridiron turned into actors and
presented a skit called, "Madrey,
The Magician." Jack Carroll
played the part of Madrey.
Fran Nagle was the first vic-
tim to be interviewed and hypno-
tized. Nagle disappeared only
to return as a woman. He walked
in with a long coat, a hat, and
gloves. Nick Adduci and Rex
Hoy were turned into a dog and

Pep Talk
Champion of the small paddle
is Arla Solfermoser. She smashed
her way through the final WAA
table tennis tournament last
week.
Arla was representing Luther-
an Student Association. Her op-
ponent was Carol French, play-
ing for Women's Residence Hall.
Carol defeated Joan Armstrong,
Gamma Phi Beta in the semi-
finals, and Arla beat Elaine
Cadwalader, Alpha Phi.
Still moving down the brack-
ets are the Nebraska ball plays.
Last week's games included Al-
pha Xi's 2 victory over Alpha
Chi 1, Delta Gamma 2 over
Theta 2, Kappa 1 over Kappa
Delta, and Alpha Phi 3 over Al-
pha Chi 2.
Tuesday's schedule includes
games between Terrace and LSA,
and Delta Gamma 1 and the
Dorm.

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