

# The State wishes You A Merry Christmas

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## Turrentine And Hadley Receive Honors

Bobby Turrentine and Wena Hadley were on December 9, elected Bachelor of Ugliness and Miss APSO respectively by the students of Austin Peay State College. These honors were open to any boy and any girl in the college, and a total of 48 boys and 22 girls were nominated by their fellow students for them. The final decisions were very close, but Mr. Turrentine and Miss Hadley emerged on top undisputed champions. A keen interest by the students in the election of the superlatives was shown by the large number who voted.

Bobby Turrentine acclaimed the most popular and the best looking boy at the college, is, in our opinion, very deserving of the honor. A veteran of World War II from Clarksville, Tennessee, Bobby has excellent school spirit, a charming personality, and character-plus. Although he is only a freshman, Bobby has already made his mark of distinction. This fall he was an important member of the Big Game football squad, and more than once we read of Turrentine, even catching touchdowns. It's our conviction that, as time goes on, we'll be hearing more and more about this Turrentine fellow. Bobby, that is.

Miss Wena Hadley, voted the prettiest and most charming girl at the college, has held many similar honors in the past. At Clarksville High School she was elected one of their homecoming queens, as well as being chosen the prettiest girl in the GHS class of 1945. Here at Austin Peay, Wena was chosen Iris queen for 1946. Despite all the honor and acclaim that has been hers, Wena remains modest, sweet, friendly, and just about any other nice adjective you can think of.

## Health Mobile Unit Comes To College

The Health Mobile Unit of the Federal Health Department visited Austin Peay State College on Friday, November 22, for the purpose of taking x-rays of all the students in connection with the intensive fight against tuberculosis.

Of the 842 x-rays made at the college, only seventeen cases showed definite tuberculosis and only three will require further investigation.

X-rays by the Health Department are made possible by federal aid matched with state and county funds for the furthering of the fight against tuberculosis in the state of Tennessee. The primary purpose of the Health Department is education in case finding.

## Faculty Members Attend Science Meeting

Three members of the Austin Peay faculty, John B. Bond, professor of chemistry, H. C. Phillips, professor of agricultural science, and W. I. Layton, professor of mathematics, attended the Tennessee Academy of Science meeting held at Vanderbilt University, Friday, November 22. Professor Bond attended the meeting of the chemistry section; Professor Phillips joined the botany group; and Professor Layton went to the mathematical section.

A discussion on social and political implications of science, led by Dr. Merlin D. Peterson, from the Clinton Laboratories; Dr. Wesley Hoffman, and Dr. William G. Pollard, from the University of Tennessee, (Continued on Page Three)

## Eakin Heads Veterans' Club

The Harper Veterans' Club of Austin Peay State College elected officers for the coming year on November 13. The new officers are as follows: Commander, Deery Eakin; vice commander, William G. Gower; adjutant, George Lowry; finance officer, Charles E. French; sergeant-at-arms, Leslie Garner; and Chaplain, Carl Moore.

Named in honor of James H. Harper, first AP alumnae to lose his life in the war, the club was organized in May, 1946, with Herod Birdwell as commander. Other officers included Bruce Corbitt, vice commander; Ford Hollingsworth, adjutant; Robert Sykes, finance officer; William Daniel, sergeant-at-arms, and Paul Hostetler and John Sullivan, chaplains. During the summer quarter a constitution and by-laws were drawn up and adopted, and membership cards were printed. President Harvill was chosen as commander.

It is the purpose of the club to work with the administration in securing the maximum benefits of the national program for the veteran, and also to sponsor entertainment and recreational activities for veterans attending the college. The club has a membership at present of 68. All veterans attending the college are eligible to join. Membership dues are fifty cents per quarter.

The Veterans Club is one of the most important organizations of the college, and it is hoped that all veterans attending the school will become members.

## Burchett Elected Vice President Junior Class

Charles R. Burchett was elected vice president of the junior class in an election held December 3. He succeeds Betty Gilbert, who is not in school this quarter.

Burchett is a former student of APSO. He was a member of the U. S. Marine Corps for three years, and spent twenty-six months of this time overseas. Since his return he has taken an active part in campus affairs. He sings with the choir and was on the football squad.

## Harvills Entertain With Reception

The student body, faculty members, and their wives and husbands were honored at an informal reception and dance by President and Mrs. Halbert Harvill at Harned Hall on December 5.

The guests were presented to the host and hostess by Bob Keendy, president of the student body, and Deery Eakin, president of the Harper Veterans' Club.

Officers of the classes, officers and representatives of the student council, and officers of the various club helped in serving the refreshments, which consisted of punch, orange, coconut cake, and mixed nuts. The girls who served were Peggy Fleming, Peggy Douglas, Ann Roberts, Elva Hams, Eleanor Christie, Margaret Page, Dorothy Roach, Peggy Bridgewater, Sarah Lineham, Mrs. Bruce Corbitt, Joyce Sisk, Mary Carolyn, Mildred Culwell, Lorene Alsobrook, Chloe Cooper and Mary Jo Goette. The punch bowl was topped with Edith Hamlet, Marie Wade, Irene Lee Ogilvie, Marie Jordan, Earline Ry Lee Carl. The hostess and girls assisting her were dressed formally.

The lobby was decorated in red and white, the college colors, with gar streamers stretched over head and balloons swinging from the lights.

## Enrollment Increases With Winter Quarter Registration

The winter quarter at Austin Peay State College began November 25, with an enrollment count greater than that of the same quarter last year. The registration to the present time totals 346, of which 192 are veterans according to figures released from the dean's office.

In the two vocational schools which the college is conducting, there is a total of 76 ex-servicemen taking training. Of this number forty-four are taking vocational agricultural training, and thirty-two are attending the automobile mechanic school at New Providence. One hundred veterans are on the waiting list to enter the farm-training classes which will begin the first of the year.

Off-campus courses will continue at Dover and Waverly and the college have been organized at Charlotte.

## Students Hear Talk On Newspaper Work

"The Unpublished Newspaper", was the subject of a talk given in assembly, Friday, November 23, by Stanley Gower, editor of the Clarksville Lead Chronicle.

Mr. Gower's talk was divided into three parts: Don't believe everything you read in the paper; be editor is like a teacher, in which he explained how, like a teacher, he should instruct the majority of the material handed him; and errors that slip into print. In the last part, he gave examples such as one which appeared in the classified ad section of a California newspaper. All it said was: For Rent—Two men.

Besides being interesting and entertaining, the talk was useful, for it showed some mistakes which are made in general, everyday writing, thus proving that one should be more careful when he writes, and especially when it is to be read by the ever-critical public.

## I R C Holds Timely Discussions

The International Relations Club has outlined a new program for study for the winter quarter. Current international problems of the world appearing in the news are discussed each Friday afternoon at one o'clock in room S-15. The discussions as last quarter are in seminar fashion: A student discusses a subject, then follows a round of questions and comments from the audience. Friday, Dec. 13, Orville Moorehead, a Senator, spoke on the subject, "The End of Arabian Isolation."

The club's main objective is to foster a better understanding of world politics among the students. The weekly topics are not assigned to the visitors, but are handled by the students of the political science class.

## Mr. Law To Attend Geography Teachers Council

Harry R. Law, Professor of Geography, will attend the National Council of Geography Teachers in Columbus, Ohio, on December 27-28. Mr. Law is the director of the National Council from Tennessee.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the geography curriculum from elementary, high school, and college levels. The American Society for Professional Geography and the American Geographical Society will be meeting at the same time in Columbus.

## Hollingsworth And Culwell Chosen Governor, First Lady

Ford Hollingsworth and Mildred Culwell were selected by the student body on December 9, 1946, to be Governor and First Lady. Collectively, of Austin Peay State College for the current year, 1946-47. Only seniors were eligible for the honors, being judged upon their individual records during the four years in scholarship, service, and leadership in the college.

Mr. Hollingsworth, a veteran of World War II from Camden, Tennessee, has been outstanding in all of these categories. At the present time he is president of the Senior Class, Vice-president of the Alumni Association, president of the International Relations Club, and a reporter on the All State staff. He has also served as assistant to the Harper Veterans' Club and is vice-president of the Junior class.

Always an enthusiastic participant in the activities of the college, Hollingsworth has also consistently maintained a high scholastic average. Recently he was elected to be included in the 1946-47 edition of the "Who In American Universities and Colleges" section of the "Who's Who" yearbook. This honor climaxes this enviable record of excellence for Ford, and we are happy to congratulate him on his latest success.

Miss Culwell, of Joelton, Tennessee, has also attained a high degree of achievement in scholarship, service, and leadership at Austin Peay. President of the Beta Club of the Girls' Dormitory, secretary of the Girls' Dormitory, secretary of the Women's Athletic Association, circulation manager of the All State, she also has a high scholastic standing. She is also past secretary-treasurer of the Student Council. Miss Culwell's record appears in the 1946-47 edition of "Who's Who In American Universities and Colleges."

Very popular with both students and faculty, Miss Culwell is known for her friendliness, her school spirit, and her high character.

The Governor and First Lady will each be presented a copy of the biography of the late Governor Austin Peay, to whom Austin Peay State College owes its existence, and for whom it was named. The presentation will be made at a later date by Mrs. Austin Peay.

## Professional Meetings Attended By Faculty Members

Mrs. Mattie S. Thompson, teacher of commerce, attended the meeting of the National Council for the Southern Branch of the Association from November 27 to December 1. Frank Miller and Trez Turner, of the business department, also made the trip. Many outstanding colleges and universities of both north and south southern states were well represented.

The fact that around 90 per cent of the enrollment today were business students was explained. It was also brought out that courses were being planned for GIs and for "Junior GIs" these persons would go into war work and are now entering college, and for people of military age.

Dr. Donald Michelson, professor of history, spent the holidays in Boston, where he attended the meeting of the National Council for Social Studies, an organization for teachers in this field all over the United States. He represented the Austin Peay department of Austin Peay.

The meeting ended at historic Plymouth, Mass., on November 29, with a Thanksgiving dinner "with-in a shadow of Plymouth Rock."

Dr. Michelson attended and participated in discussions concerning (Continued on Page 4)

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## Christmas Traditions



## The Christmas Spirit

Almost two thousand years ago, Joseph and Mary journeyed from Nazareth to Bethlehem and took shelter in a stable, where Christ was born as the prophets had foretold. For many centuries, his birthday has been celebrated in some fashion. It is now the Christian world's greatest holiday, observed in many countries, dear to many people. It is a time of mirth and gladness and rejoicing for all people.

In the merriment and jollity that mark our holidays at Christmas survive the revels of many nations and peoples. Little by little the contributions of many nations' customs have given us the popular Christmas we know today. It has become a great festival of the year for children and the best time in all the year for giving gifts.

The first gifts were given by the wise men, but many years later St. Nicholas, a bishop of Asia Minor, came to be associated with the giving of presents. He was the son of rich parents who would not accept their wealth for himself, but used it for the poor; thus giving us the tradition of gifts at Christmas time.

Thor, Bacchus, and Saturn, Bishop Nicholas, and the wise men have all contributed to our Christmas celebration. Many of the customs were not ours originally, but are borrowed from other lands. These borrowings show the composite nature of the Christmas world.

Our "Merry Christmas" greeting comes from Medieval England. The evergreens and mistletoe which deck houses and churches for the holidays date back to the time of the Druids. Mistletoe was supposed to keep away witches, and people who desired protection paid large sums for the charms. Other greens were used to shelter the kind woodland spirits who found their favorite haunts bare in the winter.

Holly branches were used by the Danes for the crown of thorns with which the Roman soldiers mocked the Saviour, and its bright red berries are the drops of blood that fell from His brow. The apples that every household has in abundance at

Ann: "You shouldn't have kissed me like that, with all these people so close to us, even if it was dark."  
Trez: "It didn't kiss you. I only wish I knew who it was—I'd teach him!"  
Ann: "Trez, you couldn't teach him anything."

A noted meat packer named Young One day when his nerves were on a string

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A young hillbilly bought an ice cream cone, walked out of the drug store to eat it, then carried the cone back to the soda fountain.

Handing it to the clerk, he said, "Much obliged for the use of the vase."

A modern gal's clothing is like barbed wire fence—it protects the property without obstructing the view.

Alcohol: A liquid good for preserving almost everything except secrets.

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## CROW'S NEST

How old is she?

Oh, I couldn't say—but she knew the Big Dipper when it was only a drinking cup.

Doctor: I have a cold or something in my head.  
It must be a cold.

Teacher: Where is the elephant found?

Porky: The elephant is such a large animal it's scarcely ever lost.

Slout Lady: "Really, my dear, when one looks at you one would naturally think there is a food shortage."

Thin Sister: "Indubitably, my dear, and to look at you one would know what caused it."

## THE HIGHLAND ECHO

Sleep is when you don't get enough the night before you wake up half a.

Cowboy: "Would you care to join me in a cup of coffee?"  
Chloe: "Certainly, you get in first."

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## Governors End Season in Victory

The Governors reached top form in the final home game of the season Thursday evening, November 20, as they rolled over Bethel College 27-0. The Corporals offered more resistance than the score indicates, but Austin Peay was ready even without the services of Captain George Fisher and Flash Rogers.

At the half the visitors trailed the Governors 14-0. They made a spirited comeback in the third quarter and with the aid of penalties prevented any scoring in the last period. However, the Governors' aerial and ground offense started rolling in the last period. From there on there was no doubt as to the outcome.

The Governors functioned as a team, and it is unfair to single out outstanding individual performers. However, Carl Moore played his best game of the season and incidentally his last before home fans. It was also the last home game for "Old Lady" Oliver and Duck Price, both performing creditably, the latter taking up the additional duties of calling signals.

Austin Peay drew the curtain on the grid season Thursday evening November 27, at Lebanon, trouncing the tenacious Cumberland Bulldogs 13-0, winning their third consecutive game of the season. The Governors, though "up" for the game, were forced to take to the air to defeat the gallant Bulldogs; the Settlers to Fisher combination resulting in both touchdowns. The Governors held a 13-0 advantage at the halfway mark and were unable to register in the last half. The win gave them a record of 3 wins against 4 losses for a very successful season.

Mr. Woodward says it is all right to end a sentence with a preposition, but we wonder about these sentences that end with prepositions.

## SPORTS

Football season is over, and comes the time for recapitulation. Basketball season has begun, and comes the time for anticipation. The grid game was revived last fall with prospects just so. There was no reason for an optimistic outlook. This is all the more reason that adherents of Austin Peay should be proud of a 5-4 record with the larger figure on the credit side of the ledger. This is a good record for any season. It is an excellent record for last season. When the call for candidates went out last fall, Coach Aaron and assistants McKinney and Rutledge were greeted by a bvy of untired freshmen and questionable veterans. It was inevitable that they would be slow about rounding into condition. Few of them attained top form before mid-season. They really started to roll after the first five games. Two much praise cannot be given the team for the patience, persistence, and courage displayed all year.

While passing out the roses let's not forget the Jay Cees, without whom football would have not been possible at APSC. Mrs. Aaron, who never appeared irritated when the down box and chain couldn't be found or at incessant ringing of the telephone in Calvin Hall, Johnny Sullivan and Jim Durbin, who donated their time to the services of the team; Deery Eakin, the unobtrusive scout; and Dr. Russell the team physician. If the latter hadn't been kept so busy by injuries, we believe that record might have read 7-2 or perhaps 8-1; but now we are going into speculation.

Basketball presents the same enigma as did football last fall. There are boys out who look pretty good, but the calibre of opposition is unknown. Too, one of the outstanding candidates, Paul Aaron, has a

questionable knee. Even though they may not measure up to the pre-war combination of Hatley, Tombs, Ward, et al (few could) this humble prognosticator is going on the limb with the radical statement that the Governors will be good. The addition of newcomer "Box-head" Stone, ex East High performer will help a lot. Then there are one or two other "aces in the hole" that I won't mention. My apologies to the boys, but the enemy might glean this column for information. Hope somebody reads it. Anyway I'll write about the boys when they produce as I think they will.

**Sport Shorts:** Lawrence Lee, Red Garner, and Deery Eakin, are ex-Governor Athletes back at APSC. Cage teams of Jimmy Suter, Greenbrier, and Clayton Arnold, Lobelville, are going great guns. Both mentors were in Mr. Aaron's coaching class last summer. Plans are under way for an intensive program of intramural basketball. Jesse Trout, Ed Rutledge, and yours truly are all popular in surrounding high schools. Reason? All are basketball officials. Famous last words—goal counts or goal doesn't count.

"People are carried away with my profession."

"You must turn out some very artistic stuff."

"No, I just make stretchers."

Thurston Jone — "So you make up all your jokes yourself?"

Editor Waters "Yep—out of my head."

Price "You must be "

Deacon Howe took a trip to the city to purchase a sign to put over the church hall door during the Christmas season. Arriving in the city, he forgot the wording to be placed on the sign so he wired back to the parson "Rush copy of motto and dimensions." Was it any wonder the telegraph clerk fainted when she took the following reply from the wire, "Unto us a child is born, Eight feet long and three feet high."

## FACTULTY MEMBERS ATTEND

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nussee science department, featured the general session held at joint university library, Friday morning. An illustrated lecture on the new Botanical Gardens of Panama was given by Dr. Samuel L. Meyer, professor of botany at the University of Tennessee, in the botany section.

The professors have been attending the meetings of the Tennessee Academy of Science regularly. The fall meetings are held alternately at George Peabody College and Vanderbilt University, and the spring meetings are conducted in various colleges in the state. Professor Bond expressed a wish that some of the meetings will be held at Austin Peay in the future.

A woman's face is her fortune—especially if it runs into a nice figure.

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Joyce Ransdell and Hostettler, (Phil, that is) go well together, all agree.

Hey, Wanda, did you wreck that Chevrolet chasing Burchett? — They say it's best to keep both hands on the wheel and eyes on the road. How 'bout that?

What's your favorite color? Johnny Givens seems to like Red.

"Rumors are flying" and here are the latest from your keyhole reporter—

Cush just can't be consoled because Cindy left us for UT.

Elva and J. G. Davis— Watch that new boy Jim my Knight. He is getting acquainted but fast. One, two, three, get set, swoon.

Bounce! along in a jeep 't'other day were Elaine Roach and David Wood seeing the town, (or painting it?)

Flash—da—da—da—da— Calling all girls.

Budie Hawkins' Day has passed and Sam Winters is still unbooked. Better get busy with those lines and may the best girl win! Tony Hostettler is another eligible, alone

with Mort Schrader and Johnnie Richardson.

It seemed like old times seeing "Little Red" in the lobby calling for Jo Coble, New Chuck, no longer GI, is fur, fur away.

Dick Sutton thinks that Edwinia Wait is high voltage, it seems. Something old—Garrett and Evelyn Bell.

Something new — Mary Eula Thomas and Ray Barnett.

Make gossip interesting for me and you.

So there, too.

"Flash" Rogers, why won't you settle down? All the girls are keeping their hopes up.

"Maggie" Wilson and Dick Harris—oh well, you've seen them together constantly too—not to mention Sara Beth and Frank.

Thanksgiving time and a deserted campus. Everyone went home for the holidays, whether it was two blocks or two hundred miles away. Can we wait until Christmas, guys and gals? And by the way. Everybody get set for the Christmas dance which will be sponsored by the freshmen. A big-name band, evening dresses, soft light, what more could you ask? Don't miss it. It's the event of the winter.

Christine Price's new theme song: "Give Me Five Minutes, Moore."

And now to close this scratchy pen and leave you with this touching thought.

Does he puff and does he sigh Whenever you are near? And do you think it's love? Oh my, it's only ashima, dear.

Lady—"My word! Doesn't that little boy swear terribly?" Other Little Boy—"Yeah, he sure does. He knows the words but he don't put no expression in them."

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Now that football season is over, the boys of Calvin have devised a new means of recreation, and that is the sport of wrestling. Instead of going to the gym for this, they just use the second floor of Calvin. You will have to get the details from someone who participated, because it was too rough for this upstart to go close enough to find out.

Things seem to be quite different in Robb Hall—Stophel was heard to say that Robb should put a sign up on the door—"Robb's Purple's Home." What's the matter boys, are your SPIRITS getting low?

Added to the general confusion and uproar of the halls, we now have among our midst the future music masters of Mr. Hague's band. They say that they are in earnest about learning to play their instruments, but it is our belief that they are trying to run the athletic instructor out of the Hall.

Walter Powers is wondering why Mr. Harvill always insists his room and why it takes him so long to do it. Did you ever see the pin-ups that he has on the wall?

Jim Young came back from Hopewell Thanksgiving with a souvenir from the Police Department over there. He still doesn't know how they manage to get 20 MANY charges on one little parking ticket.

Let's listen in on some of the conversation that some of the boys get involved in sometimes:

WALTON GRIFFIN — "Would you advise me to marry a beautiful girl or a sensible girl?"

COPEDEGE — "I'm afraid you will never be able to marry either."

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old man."

WALTON—"Why not?"

COPEDEGE—"Well, a beautiful girl could do better and a sensible girl would know better."

JIMMY HICKS—"You're looking pale tonight, Maggie."

MAGGIE WILSON—"Am I? Then do tell me something that will give me a little color."

MISS SUE—"O'Dill, go wash your face and neck."

ODILL—"Nock who, Miss Sue?"

A little dedication to one of our former inmates at Calvin, Bruce Corbitt—

Before he was married,

We called him a dude.

But now that he's wed, why,

He's only subdued.

The author of this column would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of the student body and faculty, a very merry and joyful Christmas and a happy New Year.

## PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

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