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STUDENTS GET THREE R's at newly opened Temporary Student Center—radio, reading, and relaxation. See editorial "Eyes On Southern" on page two.

1,000 Students Visit New Center First Day

Approximately 1,000 students attended the opening of the new student center building last week. Student council members and the student union planning committee already have met in the double meeting room. Three organizations have scheduled meetings to be held there today. They are the German club, the student union planning committee, and the Girls' House council.

The International Relations club is making plans to use the center as a headquarters for a midwest conference to be held here March 9 and 10.

Open Until 10 p.m.

As announced by the steering committee the union building will be open every day in the week and will close at 10 p.m. each night. The center will open at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday, at 1 p.m. on Saturdays, and at 3 p.m. on Sundays. Exceptions to these hours will be made for special occasions. Miss Ruth Haddock, assistant dean of women, said.

Southern's social committee under the chairmanship of Miss Maxine Vogly, director of Anthony Hall, has provided magazines and equipment for bingo and card games. Miss Vogly has loaned dishes, end tables, and lamps to the center. Miss Carolyn Van Mason has also loaned dishes.

The Industrial, Education club and WSC have been petitioning the steering committee to do a professional job of remodeling the basement for dancing. The physical plant has recommended that no dancing should take place on the first or second floors on account of the structure of the building.

Improvements Being Made
Improvements on the center are continually being made. Candy, cigarette, and coke machines were recently installed in the basement. Dave Richmond, art major, is painting a mural in the lounge.

Two bulletin boards listing student events will be put up soon. Furnishings for the center were made possible through the co-operation of the physical plant.

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Students employed to work in the office are Doris Kilgas, Alice Lewis, and Wazeg Stookey. Any scheduled work or supplies may be secured at the office.

DORIS LODGE TO LEAD RELIGIOUS MEET SATURDAY

Doris Lodge, president of the Illinois Baptist Student Fellowship, will go to the University Baptist church in Champaign, Saturday to lead the planning session of the officers of this group for next year.

She will be accompanied by Rev. Elwood K. Wylie, director of the Student Christian foundation, who is the adviser of that organization. They will return to Carbondale on Sunday.

Doris was elected president last December.

Southern's Calendar of Events

It Soon Will Happen!

Friday, Jan. 20—Hard-Times WSC dance. Women's gym, 8-11 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 21—Southern-Northern ice game, 8-11 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 21—High School Speech Festival, all day.
Wednesday, Jan. 25—Lecture, Saturday Review of Lit. editor
Thursday, Jan. 26—De Paur chorus, Shryock auditorium, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 26—Southern-Indiana State cage game, 8:15 p.m.

Noted Author, Critic, Lecturer To Speak Here Wednesday

John Mason Brown, author, critic, lecturer and associate editor of the Saturday Review of Literature, will lecture in Shryock auditorium on "Seeing Things" Wed., Jan. 25, at 8 p.m.

Brown was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1900, received his A.B. from Harvard, L.H.D. from Williams, and D. Litt. from the University of Montana. In addition to teaching various theatrical courses at the University of Montana, American Laboratory theatre, Yale, and Middlebury college, Vt., he has also been associate editor and dramatic critic of Theater Arts Monthly, dramatic critic of the New York Evening Post, and conductor of the program, "Of Men and Books" over CBS.

Brown's lecture here is being sponsored by the university Entertainments and Lectures committee and is free of charge. No admission will be charged.

180 Students Enter Saturday's High School Speech Meet

Sixteen schools with a total of 180 contestants have entered the Egyptian high school speech festival to be held here Saturday.

Schools entered include Granite City, Benton, Du Quoin, West Frankfort, Tamaroa, Nashville, Quincy, Harrisburg, University school of Carbondale, Greenfield, Oden, Sparta, Collinsville, Fairview, Noble, and Sandoval.

Dr. Marshall Hiskey will be the main speaker at a luncheon for the contestants and coaches in the cafeteria at noon. Members of the speech staff at Southern will act as judges and critics.

Choose 'Ivory Door' Cast, Play To Be Presented Feb. 8

Cast for the next Little Theatre production, "The Ivory Door," has been chosen. The play, sponsored by the Little Theatre and Carbondale branch of the American association of University Women, will be presented in Shryock auditorium at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 8.

"The Ivory Door," a 30-year-old play, is a fantasy set in the Middle Ages. Actors are A. A. Milne.

A few years ago Southern produced "Mr. Penna Passed By," which was written by the same author. The "Ivory Door" ran for a year in New York in 1927 and for a year in London in 1929. It was produced by Charles Hopkins, one of the outstanding producers in the American theatre.

Cast for the play is as follows: Prince Perceval, Lloyd Jackson; King Hillary, Ralph Nettland; Brand, the King's bodyguard, Bill Meininger; King Perival, John Miller; Chancellor, Jim Trigg; Old Anna, Pat Simpson; Captain, Joe Embser; Soldiers Titus and Carlo, Bill Zacharias and John Douglas; Mummer and King's Holt Jones; Jessica, Betty Jeanne McConnell; Siva, Harry Skelton; Old Leopold, Sam Sutton; and Anton, LeRoy Scroggins.

Sick Students Should Report Absences Early, Health Service Warns

Students absent from classes because of illness must be reported on the day of absence by either the student or by the person in charge of the house in which the student resides. Dr. Carl N. Reilly, director of the student health service, said today.

If a student is absent for more than one day, he should report his absence to the health office each day of absence, preferably in the morning.

Students who are absent should call the service's telephone number is Carbondale 189-K.

Student Tutors Will Receive 75¢ Basic Pay

A list of available tutors in freshman and sophomore courses is being compiled by the office of the personnel deans in co-operation with the various department heads.

Tutors are chosen from upperclassmen on the basis of ability in their particular field. They are being recommended by those departments in which tutors are advisable and available.

Five Seniors Named To Sphinx Club

Five seniors were elected to the Sphinx club Tuesday night to bring the total of twenty students from the class of 1950. Those elected were Bill Waters, Maxine Bumpus, Robert Middendorf, Sam Eubanks, and William Lienesch.

Sphinx club, highest honorary organization on campus, membership is selected on the basis of usefulness to Southern. In the spring of each year, 12 students are selected from the junior class. In the following winter term, five more students are selected from this class, in order to give recognition to those students who might have been overlooked in the spring.

SIU Officials Study Plans for Library and Other Buildings

Several university officials were in Chicago Monday and Tuesday to study plans for the new library and service shops with the state division of architecture and engineering.

Detailed plans for the library already have been sent to Southern. Work on the greenhouses are expected to begin soon. Dr. Charles D. Tenney, administrative assistant to the president, said.

Dr. Tenney added that the architectural shop and swimming pool units of the new training school are in preliminary planning stages.

University officials who went to Chicago included President D. W. Morris, Dr. Tenney, Dr. W. C. Rickard, chairman of the industrial education department, and Dr. Robert Muller, director of university libraries.

Southern Professor Publishes Book On Walt Whitman

Dr. Charles Willard, associate professor in University School, has written a book, just published, on Walt Whitman, considered by many authorities as the greatest champion of the American ideal.

Dr. Willard made his extensive study of Whitman while a graduate student at Brown University. His book is entitled, "Whitman's American Fame—The Growth of His Reputation after 1892."

The book is a study of the development of Whitman's reputation from the years just after his death to the present. The discussion begins with his small early following and covers all periods up to the present general acceptance of Whitman as the great free poet and spokesman for democracy.

In commenting on the book, Willard said, "Although Whitman's poetry and prose are still far too little known by the average American reader, his work has grown in stature and importance to the day he is recognized as a world figure in lyric poetry and the chief literary spokesman for the American way of life.

The book was published by the Brown university press.

STUDENTS STILL CONFUSED OVER THURSDAY CLASSES

Still mixed up about Thursday morning classes? In case you are here is the complete schedule:

- 8 o'clock classes — 8-8:45
- 9 o'clock classes — 8:45-9:30
- Assembly — 9:40-10:20
- 10 o'clock — 10:25-11:10
- 11 o'clock — 11:15-12 noon

BOOKSTORE SALE TO BE HELD JAN. 23-28

University bookstore will hold its usual term sale of books Jan. 23-28. Book lists of books on sale will be available at the bookstore Jan. 20.

Special notice will be taken at the present sale of the 5th editions of Southern's Collegiate dictionary—a \$5.00 value selling at \$2.50.



AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS this week were Luella Seyer and Doris Schwinn. Dean L. C. Davis presents the scholarships sponsored by the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers and the Illinois Women's Relief Corps, Grand Army of the Republic.

Famed dePaur Chorus To Appear Here Jan. 26

Leonard de Paur, director of the Infantry chorus which will present a concert here Thursday, Jan. 26, sponsored by the Carbondale Community Concerts association, started out in the army as a private and worked his way up to a captaincy.

His musical experience, though, runs back to the time when he was only three and would sing with recordings of Enrico Caruso. At five he was picking out tunes on the piano and later changed to violin.

At a Bordentown, N. J. School, where he intended to major in electrical mechanics, a sax saxophone caught his eye. Finally, he changed to the music department.

At one time he became a vocal soloist in the club. At 13, his voice changed, in such a curious way that in a single concert he sang tenor in a quartet and bass in the complete glee club.

When about to go to Cleveland for a doubtful vaudeville run he met Hall Johnson and joined that choir in Harlem. The choir toured the country. de Paur became a social conductor, later did major in the Federal theatre of New York, and was musical director of the Broadway play, "John Henry."

At one time he was a Columbia university student by day, and a Pennsylvania red cap by night, in addition to singing with the Hall Johnson choir.

He enlisted as a private in the infantry at Camp Upton, later enrolled in officers' training school and on the day of graduation was side-tracked for a year to be choral director of the official Army Air Forces show, "Winged Victory."

On request, he was returned to the infantry and sent to Arizona and put in charge of the glee club of the 372nd infantry, a Massachusetts original distinguished unit being the 6888 Central Postal Directory and the Postal Directory.

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Chorus Goes To Europe
After the war the chorus sang for two years in Europe for nine months, and returned to the United States to go on tour as an American civilian attraction. The chorus, reduced from the peak of 25 members, included 14 of the Fort Dix originals and men with as many as five battle stars.

Student activity tickets will be honored for the concert here, and the new scaling plan put in effect this year for the first time will allow students to sit anywhere in the auditorium instead of in specially designated sections as in the past.

LOST: BROWN BILFOLD

Lost: Brown Bifold containing identification, etc., belonging to Carol Henderson. Finder please return to the Egyptian office. Reward.

Tours to New Orleans, Florida To Be Offered During Spring Vacation.

Two all-expense tours open to students, faculty members, SIU employees, their families and friends have been arranged for the spring vacation period, the president's office announced today.

WSC Hard-Times Dance Friday Night

Teams, plaid shirts, and patches will dominate the scene at the Weekend Student committee Hard Times dance to be held Friday night in the woman's gymnasium. The dance, from 8-11, will feature the music of Tommy Lawson and his orchestra.

This is the first dance sponsored by the WSC since their formation. Anniversaries: Formal, Dec. 10. Last weekend, WSC sponsored an Informal Fun party at the newly-opened Student Center.

Among tentative plans for WSC weekends, says General Chairman Raymond Lewis, is an all-school all-day party that will probably be held Jan. 28.

Doris Kilgas, has been elected to the position of publicity chairman and George Davis as new Physical Arrangements chairman. The two new chairman replaced Carlwell Joiner and Maurice Mansfield.

The next meeting of the WSC will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the meeting room in the Student Center. Anyone interested in becoming a member of WSC is invited to attend this meeting.

Schwinn and Seyer Win Scholarships

Two girls, juniors of Southern Illinois University, have been awarded scholarships. The Scholarships and Loans committee announced this week.

Students receiving the scholarships were Miss Doris Schwinn, Du Quoin, and Miss Luella Seyer, Mascoutah.

Miss Schwinn was awarded the Illinois Woman's Relief Corps, Grand Army of the Republic scholarship. This scholarship is worth \$300 for one year.

She is a member of the debate team and is active in other campus groups. Her major is speech; her college education. All present are working in the speech department office.

Miss Seyer received the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers Scholarship. The scholarship awards \$40 a term for five terms.

Anthony Hall is the home of Miss Seyer who plans the method of her studies. She is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. Miss Seyer's academic average is above 4.6.

Horticultural Society To Hold Meeting Here

The Southern Illinois Horticultural society will hold its 70th annual meeting on Southern's campus Jan. 23-24.

One of the principal speakers for the meeting will be Charles B. Shuman of Sullivan, president of the Illinois Agricultural association, who is slated for an address in the Little Theatre Thursday, Jan. 26, 9:30-10:20.

The meeting is for the above majors in all three colleges. The Placement Service said.

MARION VA HOSPITAL HIRING POSITIONS FOR NURSES

Entrance salary depends upon the educational and experience background of the applicant, and ranges from \$3400 to \$6400 per year. Nurses also accrue 30 days annual leave and 15 days sick leave per year.

Egyptian Platform For 1950

1. A clean campus
2. Removal of Campus Fire hazards
3. Decent Student Housing
4. Lower Prices at Cafeteria
5. Fulltime Student Employment Service
6. Efficient Physical Plant
7. Student Union Building
8. Less Week-end Commuting
9. Strong Alumni

Eyes On Southern

The eyes of a great many people are watching Southern students this week and will be watching them for months to come. They're watching for the students' reaction and use of the new temporary Student Center opened late Wednesday. To many, this reaction will indicate whether or not Southern students do want and need an honest-to-goodness Student Union building.

Many people believe there are other buildings that Southern needs more than a union—and a few believe that this hub of student life could easily be placed at the end of the long-range building plan.

But we who have been around Southern for the past few years know that a full-time Student Union is needed. We know because we have seen commuters eating their lunches in cold cars, we have seen others cramped up in a front seat of an automobile attempting to write them. We know because we have seen students wander over the campus looking for a quiet place to study or relax; we've seen the caravan of students who strike out for the Spinning Wheel on weekends, looking for a place to dance; and we've seen organizations holding meetings in classrooms, basements, and back booths, for lack of a better place. We know, we need a Union building—but not everyone else is aware of the fact.

We also know that this temporary building will only partially meet these needs. We were surprised and pleased to find that the personnel deans and their crew had been able to achieve such a pleasing atmosphere with the materials at hand. It exceeded our expectations, but we also know that it is not the Utopia that Southern's Union Building of the future will be.

But it is up to us—the students, today, whether or not we get a Student Union building, tomorrow. If we make use of this one, respect it and its properties—those eyes watching will nod their approval and Southern's students soon will be sipping coffee in a union building that will match the best in the country.

No More Breadlines

Many students have applied for work at the student employment service, in vain. Therefore, a "Full time student employment service" was included in the Egyptian platform for 1950. An interview with Dean I. C. Davis and Mrs. Alice Rector, assistant to the dean, revealed that the employment service is well ahead of us. Mrs. Rector is in the process of training an assistant to take over all her work, except those duties pertaining to student employment.

Approximately 275 students have applied for jobs and are still waiting to be placed; jobs enough for everyone do not exist. One unemployed hopeful turned down a job in the Canteen because it was not the type of job for which he was searching. Yet this same student has no special talents with which to bargain for a more pleasant job. Those who check the employment service time and again are almost certain to eventually find employment. Students who sit back and wait for the call-to-work stand idle chance unless they have the most unusual talents.

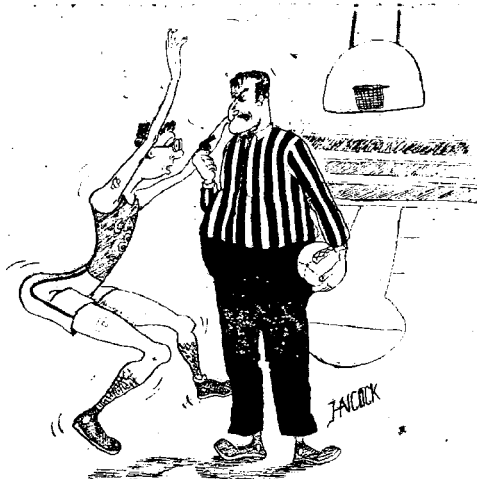
The employment service has written to steamship lines, summer resorts, and national parks to secure interesting and remunerative summer employment for as many students as possible. The employment service is actively collecting ideas to create new jobs that do not exist at present.

One enterprising student contacted downtown dry cleaners, worked out commission rates, and has a profitable pick-up and delivery business while attending school.

Students might check the daily papers for all births in Carbondale, then call the parents and offer their services as a baby sitter.

Others could have stencils made and offer to paint the house numbers, in luminous paint, on all unmarked houses, for a nominal fee.

The manufacture of souvenirs is an open field in this area. Coal could be washed, dipped in shellac, and mounted on a wooden base as a souvenir of this area. The lowly peach seeds could be shellaced and strung into beads. Other students might find it prof-



"Quit guarding me, you jerk! I'm the referee!"

Defense For Carelessness

The shivering student deliberately flipped the smouldering cigarette butt on the sidewalk, calmly walked over to it and ground it under his heel. Another student passed by and idly tossed a piece of paper into a white bucket intended for the extinguishing of cigarettes. A third student, hearing the class bell, gulped down the last of a coke and carelessly tossed the bottle into the nearby bushes. This happens on Southern's campus every day.

On the first two accounts, we believe the students had a defense. The act of deliberately throwing an unsightly cigarette butt on the sidewalk may have seemed not the proper thing to do—but this seemingly careless student was preventing a fire—a fire that might have started in the white bucket, overflowing with paper. The second student, and others like him, was the cause of the cigarette butt being thrown on the ground—yes, but where else was he to throw his waste paper. The third careless student who tossed the pop bottle into the flower bed has no such excuse.

The Egyptian was accused last week, after the appearance of the editorial, "Wash Your Face," of placing too much blame on the ground crew and not enough on the students for the messy campus. We do not blame either group completely—but certainly the ground crew is at fault for not furnishing sufficient waste paper containers.

Another fact we were called on to defend was that of blaming the skippy grass and mud puddles on the ground crew. We know that they can't stop the rain from falling, nor would probably have drier Homecoming, but we had in mind the unsightly puddles caused by allowing trucks to cut deep ruts in the soft ground—ruts that soon fill with water to become mud puddles.

We realize that with all the acquisition of new ground and digging of tunnels, that much of the grass has not had time to grow back; but we still object to grass being killed by carelessly allowing objects to lie on the campus until the grass beneath it is dead, and to trucks tearing up the grounds.

Few campuses can brag of more floral beauty or better landscaping than Southern. We hate to see this beauty marred by trash, pop bottles and ugly ruts. Responsibility of a clean campus lies just as much if not more with the students than it does with the ground crew. If furnished containers we believe that most Southern students prefer a clean, beautiful campus to a messy, ugly one enough to make use of them.

Unable to take orders for personalized greeting cards.

Some time ago the employment service received an order for a student with certain hours to report to work downtown within 20 minutes. It took some fast footwork, but Mrs. Rector found a student who reported to work within the specified time. Another employer wanted a student paper-hanger, and one was found to handle the job.

For those students seeking work, we suggest you: check the employment service as often as possible, accept whatever job is available until a better job comes along, keep on the lookout for ideas to create your own job, and don't expect to be made chief-cook-and-bottle-washer in the beginning.

M.L.S.

Inside Egypt . . .

Student Puzzles Over Paradox

By Marshall Smith

The area received its name from the very fact that it was a land of plenty in a time of famine. Egypt has seen boom and bust, has witnessed the accumulation of great fortunes and the marginal existence of poverty-ridden thousands. Egypt is indeed a paradox.

Here in a land of wooded hills, clear streams, scenic outlooks, and historical spots of interest, we find only a few tourists and even fewer tourist accommodations.

Here is a land of rich natural resources, possessed of a temperate climate, and peopled by a skilled and energetic breed of men. Yet, here also, is a critical unemployment area.

In the very days that great industries are tending toward decentralization, Egypt remains primarily a rural farm economy.

This is the land which fostered the development of the largest privately owned bus line in the midwest. Here will be found acre upon acre of productive orchards, but only the slight beginning of a canning industry.

In this region will be found school after school teaching the handicrafts and industrial education. Yet, more than ninety-nine per cent of the tourist's souvenirs are manufactured elsewhere. At the same time, more than sixteen per cent of the total labor force is seeking employment.

It is a land of plenty and a land of want, a land of surpassing beauty, and a land where man-made eye sores dot the country side. It is a region where the same town which hopes to attract industry to itself can boast mainly of unpainted buildings and a main street full of truck holes.

Egypt is a land where the older men sadly shake their heads when the ambitious youth turns his back on the land of his birth. These older men advise him to remain here where his education has been completed. But let him ask the reason for staying here when there are seemingly more opportunities elsewhere. The usual answer is a long silence and an averted gaze.

We are not at all sure about this place called Egypt. We question the vaunted opportunities. We need someone to prove to us that the pros outweigh the cons in this paradoxical land. In an attempt to evaluate the possibilities of Egypt we begin this series of articles.

Letter to the editor of a correspondence column: "I am only 19 and I stayed out till two the other night. My mother objects. Did I do wrong?"

The answer: "Try to remember."

Junior: I was at my girl's house last night. We were sitting on the sofa and she turned out the lights and said, 'let's do what the love birds are doing'.

Poppa: Then, what did you do?
Junior: I turned on the lights. How else could I see what the birds were doing.

Girl to her date in a night club: "I think I'll have another drink. It makes you so witty."

Letters to Editor

Council President Hifts Non-Voters

Dear Editor:
Student government on our campus faces the most difficult problem possible, and that is the lack of student interest. This was very evident by the small turn-out of voters in the last Student Council election. Less than sixty votes were cast in electing a senior representative.

Yet, when some major issue arises on campus, it is always the student who does not vote that has the loudest and loudest gripe. For instance when the new basketball ticket plan was passed by the Student Council, numerous students complained that the Council had erred in the approval of the plan. But two weeks later these same students passed by the ballot box with indifference.

Our Council has requested suggestions be turned in to them on any problem facing the students. An act passed by the Student Council has validity in all cases unless declared invalid by a two-third majority vote of the Advisory Council. Evidently there are no problems that require our attention since no suggestions have ever been turned in to us.

If you students do not believe in student government, then maybe the Council has been wasting its time and should all hand in their resignations. Then we could turn complete supervision of student affairs over to the school administration. Think it over!

Bud Loftus
President, Student Council

Dear Editor:
Re your article, "Negro Frat Presents All-School Dance," please be informed that since there's no racial or color clause in the constitution of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, inc., and since several races are represented as members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, inc., the fraternity does not consider itself a monorace fraternity, but a fraternity that is open to college men of all races, that places emphasis on the quality of the man only.

This article is to be considered as a letter of information for future reference, not one taking issue. Sincerely yours,
A. L. Cartwright
President, Beta Eta chapter
Alpha Phi A. inc.

Clipping Red Tape

A humorous author has rebelled at Southern's red tape of requisition!
In a letter to Miss Connie Beach, Southern's purchasing agent, Clement Wood has waggishly thumbed his nose at the State of Illinois' seven copies of everything.

It all started with the simple operation of ordering a copy of Mr. Wood's book. The book didn't arrive, but a letter did. Said Mr. Wood:

Miss Cornelia L. Beach
Purchasing Agent, Southern Illinois U.
Carbondale, Illinois

Dear Sylvia L. Beach:
I wonder if you realize how funny governmental red tape is! I, Clement Wood (and not Alan Dubois, Pseud.; nor Alwin Winston, nor Carveth Wells, nor Lois Lodge, nor a dozen other pseudonyms I have used from time to time) am flattered and delighted your institution has the intelligence to desire a copy of my THE COMPLETE BOOK OF SCANSION, the one and only full length treatise of Scansion ever made, as far as I know, in English or any language.

But I am an author, not a bookstore of publisher. For the convenience of my poet contacts and pupils, I often have a few copies of my books on hand. I have, here at my winter address eight copies of THE COMPLETE BOOK OF SCANSION. I have a few others at Bozenkill. The publisher is already out of the picture. The book is, in effect, out of print, right now, and is worth its weight in platinum. I want your institution to have a copy, far more than individuals; but NOT through your silly red tape, putting a burden of typing seven copies of anything on me! You people are paid by the State, well, turn in and earn your pay then. I am not a department of the Pentagon.

I will not "Ship Prepaid and Add to Invoice" a darned thing, YOU will, or will have the seven Invoice Vouchers prepared; and sent me; with check for \$3.50 plus 50c packing, postage and insurance charges—certified check, or you will wait till the check clears the bank. I enclose to you the seven blanks.

White, Pink, Goldenrod, Blue, Canary, Buff, Green and would rather have mine in orchid or vanilla. Snap out of it. If, as a favor, you wish a copy of this valuable book, pay for it, and relieve us of the annoyance of your red tape.

Cordially yours,
Clement Wood

"I got up at dawn to see the sun rise," boasted a tourist.
"Well," commented his friend, "you couldn't have picked a better time!"

Southern Exposure

Student Center Opens; Is Great!

By Harry Reinert

With the blare of a PA system, and the added enticement of free coffee and donuts, Southern's honest-to-goodness student center opened last week. We not only lift our hats to this enterprise, we throw them wildly in the air with shouts of praise.

Naturally, it goes without saying that our student center isn't a brand-new streamlined building, with all the last words in appointments—but it is a giant step in the right direction. After all, whether merely a lean-to or a skyscraper, the ultimate purpose of a student center is the same, and the house behind the Canteen serves that purpose quite admirably.

Practically the whole first floor is devoted to lounging space, with card tables, some of the latest magazines, big easy chairs, window sills to prop feet on, and a fine mural nearing completion on one of the walls. The upstairs houses the student council, ISA, Alpha Phi Omega, Omicron, and has conference rooms available to other campus organizations.

Its greatest direct benefit will probably be to the commuters, who have been so long without a home in Carbondale. However, students who are living in Carbondale should not overlook the opportunity to take advantage of the facilities offered by the center. We were especially happy to notice that the center was open all the past weekend—not forsaking those few brave souls who stay in Carbondale on Saturdays and Sundays.

We cannot believe that there are not many students on campus who feel that they don't fit into the university life—there's so much going on, but they are not in on it. One of the most worthwhile organizations on campus—the Weekend Social committee—is looking for some students who are in this predicament.

Anyone who has been on campus for over a week—or has been in Carbondale one weekend—must surely have an idea of the type of service the WSC performs, namely, presenting activities on the weekends for those students who remain on campus. The committee has ideas in mind for some big events soon, but they need more physical—as well as moral—support.

So, if you are one of those students who feels he hasn't found his niche in university life—the WSC is probably just the thing you are looking for. While serving on this committee, you will not only have the opportunity of working with other students, but will know that you are being of service to lonely souls who attend WSC activities.

The art department has a new exposition of paintings by Southern Illinois artists which was hung in the Little Gallery on the second floor of Old Main last Friday. All told, the exhibit has a number of exceptionally fine paintings.

Well, 'pun my word: A wolf has been definned as a big dame hunter.

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Society Gets New Look, All In One Column

by Dot LaBash

To keep our poor reader from making futile searches through pages of the Egyptian for organization news, we have decided to put all society news in one column. (Everything else on this campus is getting the new look, why shouldn't we?)

Among recent engagements we noticed Jan Dake of Johnson Hall and Russell Davis; Barbara Lewis and Anthony Hall; and Art Azar, KDA; Sue Newton of Delta Sigma Epsilon and Bill Phifer who will be married Jan. 20; and Marilyn Provart, president of the House of Seven Gables became engaged to Dick Newby.

Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority will observe founder's Day, 25 . . . Taking part in the ceremony will be Mary Ellen Donahue, Frances Groenert, Harvalce Greenwood, Annie Foley, Dorothy Paterson, Jayne Mountain, Joan Foley, and Pat Shinn.

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Anthony Hall has been appointed to the one-act play committee . . . Delta Sig committee in charge of their contributions to the KDA Variety Show is: Harvalce Greenwood, chairman; Helen Chandler, Joy Sue Hepler, and Shirley Broadway . . . New pledges for Tau Kappa Epsilon are: Gordon Corl, Leann Halliburton, Don Lerch, Bob Watson, Don Fairchild, Enno Leitz, Duane Wemy, Howard Walker, and Paul Ramsey . . . Helen Chandler has been elected president by the Delta Sig winter term class.

Noted Coin Collector Exhibits Rare Coins in Lecture Last Week

The "Pine Tree Shilling" was the first piece of money coined in America, Joe Ross, Centaria numismatist, reported in a lecture here at Southern.

Ross, octogenarian coin collector, lectured to the university lectures and entertainment committee, and exhibited a number of specimens from his extensive collection of money.

Has Coins 2,200 Years Old

Some of the earliest coins in his collection are those of Syria and Carthage, dating back to 260 B.C., but the one that interests most visitors to his collection is a fine Roman coin issued by Augustus Caesar about the time of the birth of Christ.

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NUMISMATIST JOE ROSS shows Carl Bauer, University High student, coin collection after his speech here last Thursday night.

Economics Professor Predicts Depression Sometime in 1950's

Depression will be an important feature of the economic path in the early 1950's according to Dr. Lewis A. Maverick, professor and chairman of the economics department.

He predicts an increase in both public and private debts, and some unemployment. He sees active construction of housing, but a decided recession in building of industrial plants.

For 1953, describing a lull year in either direction, he predicts a marked turnaround leading to a depression. He also forecasts an abrupt cessation of U. S. aid to Europe when America begins to look "hard-hit" to support his depression prediction, Maverick said.

Wages, Prices May Rise

"He explained that a few prices and wages may still be revised upward, but they cannot go far under the stress of World War II," he declared, "but brought just about all its chickens home to roost."

Food Handler's School Will Be Held in February

"Food Handler's school, which has been held annually for the past two years, will this year be under the direction of Dr. Roger Sondag, new director of the Jackson county health unit.

NECKERS, VANLENTE VISIT CHEMISTRY LABORATORIES . . . Dr. James W. Neckers and Dr. Kermit A. Van Lente visited the chemistry departments of the University of Illinois, Bradley Institute, in Peoria, and Wheaton college last week.

Student Council To Hold All-School Dance Feb. 10

Date for the Student Council all-school dance was set for Friday, Feb. 10 at a Student Council meeting Jan. 12.

Other council action included the appointment of Grace Fulkerson, freshman from Carbondale, to serve on the campus development committee and the appointment of Bob O'Daniel to meet with the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic committee.

Today was set as the date for nominations for Spring Carnival chairman. Each candidate must receive 10 votes, to be nominated. Final election will be held next Thursday, Jan. 26.

Bill Waters, representing the Independent Student association, asked the council to find out if the Council would follow the students to use the telephone there. The council promised to look into the matter.

Committees for the dance are: Band—Bob O'Daniel; Records—Gene Johns, C. H. L. S.; Dougherty; Food—Barbara Heath, Beverly Fox; Publicity—Virginia Miller.

Students presenting activity tickets for the night, the students will be given a free ticket, but students not obtaining tickets prior to the dance will have to pay a small fee at the door.

Saad Jaber Chosen Head of Southern's Foreign Students Club

Saad Jaber of Baghdad, Iraq, has been elected president of the newly organized Foreign Students Club. Lewis Chang is secretary and Dr. Wally G. Swartz has been chosen sponsor.

The club is composed of members from Iraq, France, Germany, China, Latvia, Nigeria, Gold Coast, Korea, Chile, and Mexico. Purpose of the club is to improve relationships between the countries of the world and to establish peace and friendship toward each other and the United States.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Dr. Otis B. Young, chairman of the physics and astronomy department, attended a Sigma Pi Sigma convention last week at the Rolla School of Mines in Rolla, Mo.

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Geography Department To Sponsor Mexican Trip

Special study of the economic and social life in Mexico, in the form of a field trip through that country, will be offered with university credit by the geography department in cooperation with the Extension division of Southern during the month of August, 1950. Raymond H. Dey, director of the Extension and Adult Education division, announced today.

Tour will begin Aug. 7 and will last from 21 to 25 days. The cost of the trip has been tentatively set at \$150 which will include bus transportation, lodging in hotel or tourist cabins, insurance, and tuition.

Conducting the trip will be Dr. Floyd Cunningham, professor and chairman of the geography department at Southern. Dr. Cunningham is a veteran in leading regional field trips. He has conducted several trips through various sections of the United States. While a member of the faculty of Biarriz, France, he also led several groups on trips in France and particularly through the Pyrenees mountains.

Open To Language Students . . . Courses are open to persons whose university training places them in Junior, senior, or graduate standing. Preference will be given to those who have had advanced training in geography. Cunningham said, but language students interested in Spanish and social science students could benefit from the trip. Five quarter hours of extension credit will be offered by the tour.

Purpose of the trip, Cunningham pointed out, will be to make a study of the economic and social life of the Mexican people as it is related to the climate and geology. While environment, Special studies will be made of the climate, soil, and cultural status of the people.

Consideration will be given to some of the leading Mexican industries. Typical of the fields to be covered are iron and steel works located at Monterrey, irrigation methods used by the farmers, and some phases of the large sugar cane industry.

Persons who participate in the trip will be required to make a short and intensive preparatory study, prior to the tour, of Mexico's geography, economy, and cultural life.

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Improving Northern Five In Town Saturday Night

Saturday night in the Men's gym the Southern Illinois Maroons will attempt to annex their second straight IAC conference victory when they play host to the Northern Huskies of DeKalb.

The Huskies from the northern city are coming to Carbondale under the leadership of a new coach, Gil Wilson. Wilson is a former college star with Kearney State Teachers at Nebraska.

Coach Wilson is being aided this year by eight returning letters and a number of promising freshmen. Perhaps the greatest one factoring in is Andy Brown. He compiled an enviable record while coaching prep teams in Iowa before he accepted the northern post. To date the record of his Northern team is not too enviable—3 wins and 7 defeats.

Wilson's squad has been losing some tough ball games, and is not back to a power the other way could have given the ball game to Northern. They therefore may produce some tougher opposition than observers believe.

Wrestlers Pour It On; Drop Eastern, Western

Southern's newly-formed wrestling squad more than avenged their early defeat at a with a superb twin-killing of the weekend.

James J. Wilkinson's hearty crew triumphed over Eastern, 22-7, Saturday night, and swarmed over the Leathernoes in Macomb Monday, 15-9.

Joe Fedora and Jack Robertson seem to be taking hold here in Macombtown. This victorious two some won't hurt anything along those lines, either.

The six in a row wrestling squad more than avenged their early defeat at a with a superb twin-killing of the weekend.

In racking up their six unscathed-on bouts, Joe Fedora, Bob Whalen, Jack Stout, Jack Robertson, Jimmie Veach, all shared their opponents or defeated them with shutouts.

Meanwhile, Henson decided to have his 9-3, and Charlie Hanz got a draw, 2-2. Don Riggs was pinned for Southern's only loss.

Needless to say, Coach Wilkinson was well pleased with his boys' showing in the opening round of the meet. The fact that he emphasized proper conditioning prior to the event was brought out clearly by the double-barreled victory.

Marion came from out of nowhere to knock off a good Central team Friday night in Marion's fine new gymnasium 47-14.

INTRAMURALS

Undeclared teams will be few and far between after this week in intramural basketball activity. Two teams suffered their first defeats in competition last Monday and two others will be knocked off by the unbeaten Rams before the week is through.

In the Army league, the Gillespie Miners and the Kick-kapoos were given their first setback. The Miners were trounced by the Chihlens 29-19, and the Kick-kapoos were nosed out by the Probation kids 42-36 in last Monday's activity.

With the exception of the games between the Rebels and the Wolves, and the Ragland Ragzies, both undefeated Notre Dame league teams, together and undefeated Greenlions, all the other teams are losers.

Tables listing scores for Navy League, Greenlions, Rebels, Wolves, and other teams.



CHUCK THATE, six foot seven inch center from Chicago, is shown here scoring on his favorite hook shot in Southern's great victory over Evansville. Thate started out on the "B" team this year.

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SOMEONE WORTH REMEMBERING One of the numerous rewards which you receive from being associated with athletics is the personal contacts you make there.

THAT ADDED INCENTIVE Talking to Joe Buddie, one of Southern's many gifts to track fame, the other day, and the boy is really working hard to have a good year.

Mat Struggle With Arkansas Looms as Granite Clambake

After their recent double victory over Western and Eastern, Southern's wrestling squad will get a rest until January 28, when they oppose Arkansas State here.

The event will, in addition, turn out to be a home town struggle, as six Granite City men will be competing against each other.

Such is the case of Jim Wilkinson, Southern's erstwhile coach of his uniting energy. Always on the go, always in a hurry, this great guy Wilkinson puts his best into everything he undertakes.

This meet with Arkansas State will mean a little more than just scores the most points as far as six men are concerned—it will mean who goes home to Ma' with the glad tidings of victory.



JACK LONG, basketball center from Florida, is recovering from an ankle injury sustained in the Siena game in New York over the holidays.

Southern Powerhouses Over Normal, 81-54

After taking a 9-7 lead during the first seven minutes of play Saturday night, the Southern Maroons were never behind as they tacked their first conference win under their belts by trouncing the Redbirds of Illinois State Normal 81-54 in the Men's gym.

Someone finally stopped (Pud) Gladson's ball-dribbling antics, even if they did have to tackle him to do it.

Besides putting on a show for the fans and getting tackled, Gladson went on to rack up 17 points and cap scoring honors for the game.

Bob Colborn or Tom Millikin would be the high man in scoring, as each had made three field goals and Gladson only one. Pud made his bid in the last 10 minutes of play when he scored 12 points.

Box Score for the game between Southern and Normal, showing FG, FT, and other statistics for both teams.

NORMAL Box Score: Colborn 17, 6, 0, 0, 12; Millikin 13, 5, 0, 1, 10; Hughes 5, 3, 1, 0, 6; Eaten 3, 2, 0, 0, 4; Thate 1, 1, 0, 0, 2; Long 17, 6, 0, 0, 12; Davis 5, 0, 1, 1, 1; Goss 5, 1, 10, 5, 7; Kinick 3, 2, 0, 0, 0; Gladson 14, 5, 8, 7, 17; Bozarth 6, 2, 2, 1, 5; Total 96, 33, 26, 15, 81



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B'Team Drop Mules 68-51, At Marion

The Southern Illinois University reserves beat the Marion Mules, 68-51, in a benefit game in the new Marion gym Monday night.

The score was tied early at 5-5, but then the Southern team moved steadily ahead and had a comfortable margin throughout. They led at 18-15, 29-25, and 39-25.

Kappa Delta Alpha Surges Into Lead In Greek Bowling

The see-saw battle for first place took form again in the SIU Hellenic bowling league as Kappa Delta Alpha uncorked their season's best efforts with a rallying 249 aggregate registered against the Nu Epsilon Alpha quintet which clipped the erstwhile co-leaders for all three games, giving the KDA's sole possession of the top rung.

The Sigma Sigma Sigma crew swept their series from the Tau Kappa Epsilon keggers for the upset of the evening in a nip-and-tuck tussle which put them in a two-way tie for the runner-up spot.

WOMEN BASKETBALL EXAMS TO BE GIVEN HERE

Southern Illinois Women's board of officials will give the national officials basketball examination Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Women's gymnasium.

Reynolds and Dolores Hamp scoring 381, 374 and 346 respectively. Lil Albers' 405 and Joyce Brown's 360 pin powdering went to naught for the victims.

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