

# Season's Greetings

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VISIT ART  
DISPLAY ON  
FRONT LAWN

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### ALL COLLEGE REVUE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES PLANS

The All College Revue Committee of the S.G.A., is happy to report that the Revue has been received by the student body with much enthusiasm.

Since we have gotten such good response and since the show will not run over an hour and a half, it will be necessary to have tryouts for both club and individual talent. They will be held during the month of January. We would like to officially announce that Mr. Ted Hatrak will be Faculty Advisor of the Revue. He will offer his opinion, but the All College Revue Committee will be responsible for the final decision, concerning the choosing of acts.

The show will be of the variety type, joined together by the master of ceremonies, Lewie Stanaland. We would like to emphasize the fact that prizes will be awarded to both club and individual talents. The prizes are cups, which we are sure the winners will be proud to receive.

Judging will be based on talent, audience response, originality, and appearance of costume, and will be done by three of our faculty members: Miss Ardell Ellwell, Miss Emily Greenway and Mr. William Baumgartner.

Proceeds from the show will mainly go to those organizations in college who are in need of them, as decided by the S.G.A.

Aside from the purpose of raising money for the school, we feel that all participants will reap their rewards in the way of pure enjoyment and a lasting experience.

The show will be held Friday, February 26, at Public School No. 5 in Paterson. Any new information concerning the Revue will be presented in the next issue of the BEACON.

The All College Revue Committee consists of: Elaine Pantel, chairman; Bridget Caronia, Shirley Preston, Adam Richberg, Betty Jane Veal, faculty advisor, Mr. Ted Hatrak.

### Construction Of New Cafeteria To Begin

It has been disclosed that the construction of the new cafeteria will begin in the very near future. The size of the new cafeteria will be almost twice the size of the present one, and many new features will be added to it, including a student lounge.

When students return to college from Christmas vacation, the work should be well under way. The cafeteria will be open to students only between the hours of 11-2. It may be impossible for the cafeteria staff to serve certain items during the period of construction. However the realization of the new cafeteria will be well worth the minor inconveniences it may cause.

### Work Agency Supervisors To Hold Conference

On January 15 the college will hold a conference for the supervisors in many of the agencies and camps who have directed the work of our freshmen and sophomores. The purpose of this conference for both agency and college supervisors is to evaluate the Field Services Program, and to develop plans which will be to the advantage of the students concerned, the agencies using their services and to the college.

The freshmen and sophomore students who do not at that time have assignments will be invited to speak to the agency representatives following the conference. They will help the students make suitable arrangements. The guests will be invited to remain for lunch if the cafeteria facilities are available.

There have been many favorable reports of this required Field Service Program as it now enters its second year. Such agencies as Scouts, Camps, Churches, YVCA - YMCA, etc., have brought valuable experience in many fields.



### Art Department Xmas Project On Display, Juniors And Seniors Provide Yule Spirit

"The purpose of this project," said Mr. Simon, "is to attract attention to our college and make more people conscious of it." The community will be invited to see the display which will be scattered throughout the hill along Pompton Road. The idea is accredited basically to Mr. Weidner.

It is a Junior Class project and is being done in place of their individual term projects. They select their figures,

and do the drawing as an individual or in groups. After the drawing is done the figures are cut out of newspaper, put on masonite and cut by the maintenance men. "The maintenance crew has done a wonderful job and are very enthusiastic about it," stated Mr. Simon.

The project will be completed by December 14, which will enable the students to enjoy it. The display will remain throughout the holidays. It consists of approximately 70 pieces, some of

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### Yuletide Dance To Be Presented By SGA Social Committee Tonight

Blue And White Decorations And Statly Tree To Provide Christmas Atmosphere

By SHIRLEY PRESTON

There was a frosty tang in the air that colored the cheeks of the lovely lasses and handsome lads that gided across the polished surface of the dance floor. Christmas music could be heard, and the glistening blue and white decorations mingled with the romantic light and atmosphere.

Where is this picturesque scene? When will such keen fun take place? Well, just direct your feet to the Little Theater tonight, and the magic and gayness of the Christmas

Dance will dazzle your eyes.

The Social Committee of the S.G.C. is sponsoring the dance which will be held from 8:00 to 12:00 P.M. with refreshments being served in the cafeteria.

Vic Rabasca and his orchestra will supply the music and there will be surprise entertainment. Fellows are expected to wear suits and girls should wear cocktail dresses.

Three colleges have been invited: Montclair State Teachers College, Seton Hall, and Fairleigh Dickinson. The faculty from Paterson State are also invited.

If you don't have your tickets to all this fun yet, you may buy them from your S.G.A. section representative. The prices are 75 cents stag and \$1.00 a couple.

The Social Committee consists of the following: Mrs. John Fisher, faculty advisor; Rae Ann Baldino, chairman; Lillian Boyajian; Barbara Loesch, Elaine Pantel, and Bridget Caronia.

See you tonight!

### Christmas Concert Presented By Madrigals

The annual Madrigal Christmas Concert, directed by Mr. Earl Weidner, was presented Tuesday, December 15, in the Little Theater. Admission was free. Audience participation was part of the program. Audience numbers included: Silent Night, Hark Herald Angels Sing, O Little Town in Bethlehem, and O Come All Ye Faithful.

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### Mid-Semester Special Achievement Reports

The mid-semester special achievement reports as issued by Mrs. Fischer from the Registrar's Office is as follows:

Ackerman, Mary — Typing Albinson, Agnes — Government; Geography; Baka, Lillian — Typing; Barton, Alice — Geography; Becconsall, Barbara — Art; Broseman, Donald — Civilization; Butler, Miriam — Art; Cameron, Doris — Reading, Health; Carlson, Betty — Art; Dardio, Jane — Shorthand; De Benedetto, Geraldine — Art; De Rosa, Marlene — Art; Desmond, Thomas — Education; Eckstein, Jacob — Art; Englert, Doris — Art; Faltings, Margaret — Government; Gasler, Helen — Reading; Grant, Barbara — Art; Green, Edward — Art; Harrison, Joan — Art; Huelssenbeck, Hedwig — Art; Hunt, Winifred — Reading; Jung, Rose — Art; Kennedy, Mary — Reading;

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Junior Class Students busily painting Christmas Figures for Outdoor Display.



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## LET US ASSURE OUR WAR ORPHAN THAT HE IS NOT FORGOTTEN

Imagine yourself a European wait with no means of support. Wouldn't you feel the world was just a constant struggle for survival? We in the United States can not realize the hardship many people still face in countries where widespread disaster has left millions homeless, broken family ties, and created famine.

Which of us could become truly grateful if we received a small parcel consisting of such articles as cans of sausage, a can of corn, and two cakes of soap? Such plain, uninteresting yet important items are eagerly awaited by families whose only relief comes from PLAN.

Just as a serviceman looks forward to a letter from home, these people watch for PLAN's regular parcels of food and clothing and a small cash grant each month. (Usually \$10). It is truly a "blessing" for a comparative stranger to receive such monthly gifts from interested people in a foreign country.

The students of Paterson State have shown that Americans are concerned in people of other lands and have taken a particular interest in a young Italian lad named Giacinto Occhionero. This boy's family, which consists of his mother and younger sister, Teresa, has no means of support other than a small pension and the relief from PLAN.

Approximately two years ago our student body through the Student Government Association decided to "adopt" a war orphan and Giacinto was selected. This meant one more child would grow up assured that the world was sincerely interested in his future, and his mother might receive added faith and encouragement in better days to come.

The small contributions of 50c per student which are being collected through Student Government section representatives will be placed in the World Student Service Fund and go toward our "adopted" orphan and other charities. At this season of the year how about proving the verse, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

## A CHRISTMAS WISH FOR YOU

You are an important part of the spirit of Christmas here at our "college on the hill." Through your efforts we can see, hear, and enjoy the signs of the holiday season of 1953—the miniature villages covered by a mantle of snow as seen in the showcases of Hunziker Hall; Christmas carols being practiced by the chorus and Madrigal singers; students busily at work cutting out fairy-tale figures from durable materials for an outdoor children's book characters display; blue and white decorations adorning a stately evergreen tree; the carillon's notes sounding over the campus during the Tree-Lighting Ceremony—you are a part of these things and have made them possible.

Until next year we thank YOU and would like to extend the best wishes of the season to everyone who has contributed to the paper and to all our readers.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

The Beacon Staff

## Introducing...

By ANN CUPITO

### ANGELA ALLEGRIA

Angie, a 5' 8", dark-eyed Sophomore, hails from Fort Lee, New Jersey and is a member of the Beacon Staff. In high school she was very active as a member of the student council, president of the Spanish Club, Honor Society, Science and Biology Clubs. Because of her height, she was a star basketball player.



ANGELA ALLEGRIA

She speaks Spanish fluently and her most ardent desire is to go to Mexico next summer. Miss Alegria is giving a fair warning to the whole student body at Paterson State to watch out for pick pockets because she is very desperate.

Upon asking Angie why she became a student at Paterson State, she replied, "My grammar school days left such a deep impression on me that I decided to return there some day—to kindergarten and teach."

### LUCY DRAKE

Versatile Lucy Drake's activities here at Paterson State include: 'A Cappella Choir, W.A.A. President, and the Beacon. She is interested in all types of athletics and raises tropical fish for a hobby.



LUCY DRAKE

"Lucy's" English foxhound, Phoebe, keeps her busy when she isn't meeting with her girl scouts. She enjoys reading immensely, especially books written by Shirley Jackson.

The three most perplexing problems in Lucy's life are: understanding her sister, Pam; the W.A.A. Budget; and trying to fit 4 meetings in 2 hours. Does anyone have solutions to those problems? Well, see Lucy Drake.

## "A Cavalcade Of Christmas Joys" "LEAVE IT TO THE GIRLS"

"Ho-Ho-Ho" roared through the stillness of the December night! There was a sharp tap on the cold showcase window! The cases began to smoothly slide open by some unseen force. The cheery jingle of bells and soft carols began to fill the air. Creaks, squeaks, groans, and yawns echoed through the atmosphere. The once inanimate toys mysteriously transformed into a menagerie of excitement. Hark... Santa Claus had arrived to gather up the wonderful toys his helpers had left in Hunziker Hall!

### AN OPEN LETTER

Fellow Students,

Having read Mr. Alexander's account of the Atlantic City Convention controversy, I feel that a second letter concerning this issue is necessary. Mr. Alexander stated that he selected the people who in his opinion would do justice to our college as representatives. He had neither the power nor the authorization to do.

When this matter of a publicity booth was first brought to the attention of the Executive Committee, of which I am a member, it was decided upon by that body to appropriate an amount to defray part of each student's expenses. The matter was to receive much publicity with participation for the event to be on a voluntary basis. Selections for the trip were to have been made through the hospitality committee, a committee which by the way, was created and designed to handle such matters. This program, however, was ignored. Instead Mr. Alexander proceeded to enlist his own selection of names and to gain a reluctant approval from the Chairman of the hospitality committee.

As a member of the student body and a representative of the senior class, I challenged Mr. Alexander's authority and called for the special meeting. At this meeting, Mr. Alexander writes, he was willing to withdraw his nominations but that no action was taken by the Executive Committee. I would like to point out that this meeting was called on Thursday, November 5, one day before the senior practice session. Lack of proper planning time and the absence of seniors were the only reasons why his nominations were allowed to pass. No other alternative was possible at the time. In the light of all this, I fail to understand how Mr. Alexander says he acted "in the absence of authorized procedure."

It is unfortunate that many personal feelings had to become involved and hurt, but more unfortunate is the existence of a situation where privileges and responsibilities which rightfully belong to the student body of Paterson State are limited to a small select group of friends and associates.

RALPH DEFINO,  
President, Senior Class

## School Notes For December

By CONNIE WHITEHEAD

Have you noticed how campus life has adapted itself to this month's Hlt Parade? Yes? No? Well, at any rate, here's our impression.

1. SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN — came, really, to our front lawn!
2. SANTA BABY — Mr. Weldner?
3. A LETTER TO SANTA — Dear Mr. Haas, —
4. BLUE CHRISTMAS — (Got a warning note)
5. CHRISTMAS IN HEAVEN —

The huge black cannon laughed with glee as he shot into the arms of his sweet little periscope and swiftly waltzed her about. The "Little Men" skipped out of the cozy book jacket to only knock over wooden soldiers who were performing their perfected military procedure. And oh how the lazy turks slowly stretched and stretched and stretched to look at Santa's dazzling red suit as he opened his magical pack! The shrill whistle of the wee locomotive frightened the astonished fuzzy rabbit out of a delightful Christmas Eve slumber. The bulky boat bobbed up and down with ecstasy as the wirey old paint brush waddled over to dabble some unusually toned pink on its already spurring smokestack. The bouncy blue ball mischievously rolled from his laurels to knock over the cuddly peace-loving shmoo who in sheer delight turned to ham and eggs. The ugly brown cow nipped playfully at the plucky black pony as the swift transformation from wood to flesh transpired. The frosty round snowman slowly melted away as he regretfully discovered his plastic mold was a thing of the past.

The jingle of the telephone echoed throughout the corridor. The topsy-turvy teapot spouted with Christmas spirit, while, as the dusty old false face scared the drowsy jack-o'-lantern away from St. Nick's bundle of delicious goodies.

The wire on the miniature swing seemed to snap, the baby doll was soon flying through the air. With a loud ker-plop, her dismay turned to delight as she discovered that she was the first to be dropped into Santa's unusual sack. Jealous with anxiety, the mad rush was on. Soon the enormous bag was bulging with happiness. The toys were on their way!

Only the sharp crack of the whip and the jangle of the bells were to be heard as Rudolph led the sleigh through the slivery mist toward its annual route. The remaining hushed silence of the white glistening surroundings whispered songs of joy as it seemed to capture the magically created spirit — the spirit of a joyous and Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

Made the mid-term honor roll!

6. JOY TO THE WORLD — Christmas vacation!!!
7. O' COME ALL YE FAITHFUL — to the SUB!
8. THE MISTLETOE KISS — Beware in the Student U!!!
9. YOU'RE ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS — MONEY!
10. THE SLEIGHRIDE — Oh, that top tier in the parking lot!
11. PARADE OF THE WOODEN SOLDIERS — 'Chow line' in the caf!
12. THE LITTLE ANGELS — ELS SING — The Madrigals!
13. THE LITTLE ANGELS — 'The SLE's!
14. WINTER WONDERLAND — (Continued on Page 3)

## YOUR MONEY IS WELL SPENT GIACINTO SENDS GREETINGS

By LOUISA HELMER

Christmas in Italy is a time of feasting and family reunion. It is also a religious time and the creche is found in every home. Perhaps many children in Italy will not have feasts and gay reunions this year for poverty still abounds. Yet, their faith and hope is evident by the ever present nativity scene.

One young boy and his Christmas than could have been possible without the help of our college through the Foster Parents Plan. If it were not for our aid, Giacinto Occhionero and his mother and sister, Theresa, would live on the insufficient pension Mrs. Occhionero has received since the death of her husband in 1943.

Our assistance provides Giacinto with medical care, parcels of food and clothing, and a small cash allotment each month. With this help, Giacinto ceases to be a destitute victim of war, but a child whose future is brightened in a small way by the efforts of Paterson State through the Foster Parents Committee. The funds are raised by the collecting of fifty cents per year from each student.

Look at the bulletin board across from Dr. White's office, which has further information about Giacinto and read his recent letter which follows. Then ask yourself— isn't fifty cents a year worth helping a boy grow up facing a decent future?

October, 1953

"This month too, as usually, I have had the monthly allowance of L. 5,000—you sent me, and I thank you so much, but I am very sorry, not to have any letter from you for so long and not to have your news. We are all well and we hope you may all be as well as we are. I am getting ready to go to school, which has already begun. I shall try to learn with much good will, so as to be promoted at the end of the school year. When I shall be grown up, I shall go to America and finish my studies at your College.

I have nothing else to tell you. Accept many greetings from my mother and sister Teresa. Accept a strong kiss from me and I am,

Yours most affectionately,

GIACINTO OCCHIONERO.

family will have a happier

### Voice Of Your SGA

There is now an insurance plan which is available to all students which provides coverage for injuries sustained. The details will be available to all who are interested. It is interesting to note that at least four of the other five state teachers colleges have students enrolled under this plan.

All students are invited to join the hospitality committee of the SGA. Information may be obtained from Mrs. Joan Fisher in the office.

Many section representatives have not been able to secure copies of the SGA minutes to read to their section as some students have taken copies to which they are not entitled. There are about forty copies printed after each meeting which is more than enough for all the representatives. We ask you to please refrain from taking copies if you are not a representative.

Things are buzzing as far as athletics are concerned with the formulation of the roster club and the reactivation of the varsity club. Both these organizations should help the athletic situation at the college by improving game participation and other elements.

The Social Committee and the Publicity Committee have done a good job in connection with the Christmas Dance and a lot of fun and surprises are in store for all.

Give the SGA your support by directing criticisms to the President rather than to other students. By chipping up the SGA you are in effect cutting your own throat. Please think before you talk.

**HAPPY  
HOLIDAY**

### Cristopher Cricket

Lenore Lewis, Flo Serafin, Janet Biemer, and Ann Ogilvie to make a recording of the new hit tune B-I-N-G-O—Loretta Cravero and Lorraine Macchia by their locker—Bill Clancy hot on the tail of gripes since his recent election—Recently caught Blanche Jibney doing flips over the chairs in the SUB—Al Piaget still defying the SGA rules, what a man—new student known as Vic "Cash on the Line" Rabasca—cheerleader Flo Sahagian getting ready for tough season with unbreakable glasses—congratulations to Tom Westing on his election as Fresh president—it seems that Bob Urban is still president of the "Filthy Five" (This is a local organization—for gentlemen and scholars).

Everyone had a great time at the prom except the people who ate the so-called fish that was offered, there is a rumor that a cat fell in the machine when the fish was being ground up and this would account for the taste—we are sorry to say that Marge Fitzmaurice's father's business is in the hole, (he's an undertaker)—Dot Hann was heard singing "I've got Bracelets that Jingle Jangle Jingle"—how old is Dale Dreisbach is what Dave Clarke asks—Sam Vigorito trying to tell people that a Bigamist is an Italian fog—Ann Cupito recently engaged; certain sophomore seen holding a tiger (stuffed of course).

Grace Davenport seems to have less worries since the prom—it is rumored that Annette Denaro and her dancers have been offered a contract at Minsky's—Flash? Louisa Helmer makes first treasurer's report to SGA—Fred Gusler interested in cross-

### HOLLAND EXCHANGE STUDENT AT P.S.T.C., NEL OTTENS TELLS OF HER COUNTRY

Perhaps many of you have already heard that Nel Ottens, a Dutch student is studying here at Paterson State. Nel's home is in Amersfoort, Holland where she lives with her seven younger sisters and her parents.

Nel arrived by plane on Oct. 9 and is staying with relatives in Prospect Park. She intends to be in this country for a year and then return to her native Holland.

Most of us would probably be surprised to find that Nel speaks English fluently. In school she studied English as well as German, Dutch, French, and five years of Greek and six of Latin. In Holland this is not at all unusual.

Nel likes the United States very much and pointed out a few differences in the customs of the two countries. In Holland the homes and schools have small curtains on the windows and in this country we use drapes. Also in Holland, flowers are usually placed in the windows. Nel pointed out that in her native land a person sees many more flowers than in America. In her homeland the people travel on bicycles a great deal.

When contrasting school life in the two countries Nel stated that the colleges were smaller, more formal, and the students had 33 hours of school a week.

During the second World War Amersfoort was occupied by the Germans for five years. Most of the men and boys of the town were sent to Germany to work in the factories. Life was very trying during those difficult years but the country is quickly reconstructing damaged structures and returning to the old and peaceful way of life. However, the housing shortage is still acute and large families find it necessary to live in small homes.

When Nel returns to Holland she intends to complete her studies and become a teacher.

By the way, I SAW MOMMY KISSING SANTA CLAUS — Mmmmmmm Boy!!!

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### ART DEPARTMENT

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which are: "Santa Claus and his reindeer," "Cat and Fiddle," "Cinderella," "Mother Goose," "Snow White," and "Raggedy Ann."

Mr. Simon, along with the Juniors and maintenance crew are working very hard to make this a sight to behold, and one which our college will certainly be proud of.

#### Senior Show Case Display

Members of the Senior Class have also done their part in the Christmas display. We just have to look at the display cases in Hunkler Hall to see what they have done. The display of Senior section A is called "Toy Shop" and was done by the following: Helen Gasior, Lucrictia Giglio, Claire Holmes, Betty Knoll, Barbara Loesch, Thalia Cording, Eileen Brunner.

The display of Senior section B is called "Night Before Christmas" and was done by the following: Christine Ratney, Edna Watkins, Mildred Watson, Virginia Schechet, Edith Trommer, Marcia Whipple, Carol Racick, Lydia and Jessie White and Pauline Nussenbaum.

The display of Senior section C is called "Angel Choir" and was done by the following: Peggy Connolly, Diana Marks, Rita Macagnone, Don Lanagan, Marilyn Koppe, Jane Kearns, Lois Blanchard, Betty Carlson, Doris Englert, Regina Gwozdecka.

"These projects are given to the Senior art classes with the thought in mind that the experience gained in this type of work will help in future teaching work," said Miss Tiffany.

### Xmas Tree Lighting And Assembly Held; Carols And Carillon Provide Background

The joyous season of Christmas has been ushered in by a memorable Christmas program which took place this past Wednesday. In charge of the assembly was Mr. Hatrack who directed Paterson State's all girl choir in a beautifully arranged program. The group blended their voices in singing: "As Joseph Was A Walking," "O Come O Ye Faithful," "I Wonder As I Wander," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "Away In A Manger," "Rudolph."

Members of this spirited choir are: Pat Senert, Ellen Wood, Mary Anne Will, Clarissa Rotsaert, Helen Bennett, Dolores Wain, Marie Marion, Gerry Abruscato, Marilyn Klick, Barbara Laizure, Phyllis Lamanna, Marion Flal, Margaret Faltings, Joan Steutel, Maryon Farley, Barbara Obig, Joan Dalby, Elizabeth Breeman, Bertha DeBlock, Bridget Caronia, Marcela Fair, Nancy Sorensen, Emily Mills, Barbara Tatem, Mary Ann Nebiker and Pat Krzeminski.

Several musical selections were enjoyed by all: Trumpet—Marilyn Perrius, Medley of Christmas Carols, Clarinet Quartet; Flute Duet—Barbara Smith, Elizabeth Breeman. Accompanist—Arlene Dreisbach. Immediately following — our traditional Christmas Tree Lighting took place. This was our third year for the ceremony and we hope to continue it every year as our appreciation is shown of not only the spirit of Christmas but also of school spirit. Dr. White and the SGA president spoke to the group and everyone joined in singing Christmas Carols while the Carillon bells chimed to make the ceremony a complete success.

### Blood Donating

#### Project Planned

The newest project of the Citizenship club needs the co-operation of the students and the consent of the Student Government Association. This club is planning to have a blood donating program. The blood that is donated by the students will go to the Armed Forces. Jake Eckstein and Rita Gargullo are now working to have this program go into effect.

Any student that donates blood will be given a day off from school and a free meal. Those who are under 18 and wish to give blood must have their parents consent.

Paterson State and the Montclair State are the only two state colleges to have Citizenship Clubs. The club is now working on many worthwhile projects to help improve the college. New members are encouraged to join. Anyone interested in helping to improve the campus through the students is invited to join. Dr. Ralph Miller, faculty advisor for the club, said he believes that they are doing a good thing and a fine job.



"How do you do, Dr. Wightman . . . or . . . If you don't mind I think I'll bring the sled around to the front of the school."

## SPORT SLANTS

By JIM ALEXANDER

It seems to be just a question of time until Captain Bob Matthews racks up the impressive total of 1000 points for his college career. Some sports observers might say that I'm putting a jinx on Bob by mentioning what he is aiming at, just as in baseball the players never say a word when a pitcher is on the verge of a no-hitter. I brought the situation to life again because of the great admiration and respect Bob deserves and gets from his teammates and the student body due to his tremendous playing ability and inspirational leadership. I think that all the students who have followed the fortunes of the basketball squad during the past three seasons will want to cheer Bob toward his goal. Good Luck Bob.

Jerry Del Corso seems to be on the way to his best season at State as he has been great thus far. He is always all over the court and constantly causing the opposition to make mistakes which usually prove costly. Another pleasant performance is being turned in by Bill Kline who has always had great potential but for the first time is showing his real ability. Billy is hitting on all cylinders. It never hurts a team to have a steady performer like Roger Clarke either. Roger really nailed down an outside guard position with his consistent play this year.

Little Bob Matthews who was exceptional as a freshman last year has improved and stands behind no one when it comes to scoring. If Bob is around for the next two seasons the State basketball picture looks pretty bright.

The bench problem seems to be in good hands with Jim Meisterich, Adam Richberg, Ted Stephens, Earl Mege, and Al Merbeth, looking great on the court.

Joe Waldman is having trouble lining up fencing partners after he accidentally sliced Vince Meyer's throat, and I can't understand why. I promised the Freshmen that I would mention their 7-0 victory over the Sophomores in touch football in this column, but I don't think I will. Frank Napier missed the song "Five Foot Two" by just one inch according to the basketball brochure—Les Wade and Pete Esser are the best dressed managers in basketball—it seems that Frank Fincken has trouble in rounding up the bowling squad—

Mr. Miller recently told me that the men's fencing team is entering a new tournament in New York for fencers from all over the nation—Sal Alaimo and Marty Walsh looking for Pancho at the basketball game with Sisco the referee—don't kid around—Adam Richberg lost ten pounds, his dog died—have you seen Bill Hanse around school? he was on leave from the army—Ronny Seiders playing a neck and neck ping pong series with Dave Alexander, score—Dave 50, games—Ronnie 4 games—who is the Fair Lawn Continental? huh, John Martin Griffith?—Val Van Ammers having nervous breakdowns when the scorers—don't agree with her personal tally on Bo-bo's points—

It is pleasant to note that among others, the two Paterson papers, The Morning Call and the Evening News, give our college good coverage on their sports pages—we thank them very much for their cooperation—

I was shocked at the Jersey City game when I looked in at the door from a distance and saw a shady looking character selling tickets and collecting the money from the people who came in. I was alarmed and rushed in to save the money for the school from this individual. Upon closer inspection it proved to be Mr. Hatrak doing a good job. Note—This paragraph was written primarily to fill space and any similarity to persons living or dead is purely intentional. P. S. Mr. Hatrak—if you wish to bring suit you can secure my address in the office.

So long 'til the next issue.

### Introduction Of

#### Freshman Officers

Two weeks ago the freshman class elected their officers for the remainder of the school year. This reporter will try to give the school a brief thumb-nail sketch of their past and a brief resume of their likes and dislikes.

The new president is tall, stately Tom Wesling. Tom was born July 17, 1932. His home is in Pursippany, N. J. and he attended Beonton High. His favorite subject is English, and his hobbies are cartooning and baseball. Tom has submitted over 500 cartoons to Collier's, etc. but no luck yet.

Vic Rabasca is the vice-president, and Vic is a Montclair boy and graduated Montclair High. Vic's favorite subject is art, and his hobbies are music and dancing. Richard Widmark and Jennifer Jones are his favorites on the screen, and Draget is his favorite on T.V. He was born on March 8, 1930. Vic also has his

#### own band.

Sue Nealy is the pert, blonde, brown-eyed secretary. Sue was graduated from her local high school in Ridgewood. She is 19 years old and her birthday was July 13, 1934. Sue's favorite subject is history; favorite actor, Charles Boyer; favorite actress, Deborah Kerr. School teacher, Mister Peppers, is the favorite of Sue's on T.V. She has a boyfriend in Lafayette College and he, too, is writing to him. Sue took nurses' training for one year in the N. Y. Medical Center.

Rose Jung is our new treasurer. Rose graduated from Tenafly High School, and came to Paterson State on scholarships. Her parents moved to Fort Lee while Rose was still in high school, but she took a job in Tenafly in order to complete her education there. Rose is a soft-spoken young lady and well liked by her classmates. She was born on Jan. 21, 1935, and her favorite subjects are history and English.

## SPORTLIGHT

Earl Mege, a blonde blue-eyed sophomore is quite a fellow in the athletic field. A graduate of Ridgewood High School, Earl entered Paterson State Teachers College in 1952.

He was a great player on the J. V. basketball team during his freshman year here at State and is now even better on the Varsity team.

Earl plays no regular position on the team and when asked what position he does play, he smiles and says "Any position, either forward or guard. I play where I am needed."



EARL MEGE

With the basketball season almost in full swing, Earl is determined to make this the best year of his life.

While in high school, this active blonde was a member of the basketball and track team. He also has an interest in swimming and at the Hackensack Y.M.C.A., Earl teaches a group of children from six to ten years old how to swim. Game hunting is another sport which he enjoys.

With all his experience in this variety of sports and with his wonderful personality, his main ambition will be undoubtedly fulfilled and that is to become a gym teacher.

### Santa's Helpers Collect

#### Items for Project

The Human Relations Society, under the guidance of Dr. Houston, is once more working on their annual Christmas project which consists of collecting toys, books, and clothing for distribution to neglected children who are residents of institutions. Last year, under the chairmanship of Peggy Connolly, four large cartons of gifts were collected from club members alone. This year, with Dolores Mendello serving as chairman, the activity has been expanded to get help from all the students of the college. With a student body the size of ours, enough articles for 200-300 children should be collected.

The clothing that is donated should be in good repair and clean; sizes ranging from infants wear to regular sizes. Toys and books should also be in good condition. This year the gifts are again being sent to the North Jersey Training School. Students contributing items for this worthy project should bring them to Dr. Houston's office in the Manor house.

### Girls Fencing Team Enjoying A Wonderful Season.

#### Ulrickson, Krzeminski, Nankivell and Cravero Place

Paterson State's women fencers have entered two competitions since the last issue of the Beacon. In both of these competitions the girls brought back honors to Paterson State.

The first of these competitions was the New Jersey Prep Foil held at Verona. There were 15 girls entered. Joan Ulrickson, a newcomer of the class of '57, brought home the first place medal. This was the first medal of this type to come to Paterson since four years ago when Lucy Stamilla succeeded in winning it.

The second competition was the New York Prep. There were 22 girls entered, five girls from Paterson. Four of our girls entered the Semi-Finals: Pat Krzeminski captured third place, fifth place was taken by Barbara Nankivell, and sixth place was taken by Loretta Cravero.

On December 10, ten of our girls entered the New Jersey Women's Novice Competition held at Montclair. On December 19, five girls are entering the Women's Fencing Association's Christmas Tournament, which is a College Invitation tournament held at N. Y. U. The tournament was won two years ago by Marge Capello, and third place that year was taken by Gloria Bevelacqua, both of Paterson State.

The men's team will be entered on December 18 in the Men's Novice Sabre Tournament held at Newark College of Engineering. Good Luck is extended to both the girls and the men, by the entire student body.

### Outdoor Education Club Members Explore Grotto In Pennsylvania

Disheveled members of the Outdoor Education Club emerged from Carpenter's Cave in Easton, Pa., at 5 P.M. on Sunday afternoon recently after experiencing a thrilling adventure. They crawled, climbed and crept through a cavern whose walls were decorated with "organ pipes," "bacon rind," "stalagmites" and stalactites of limestone. Members scrambled up an ancient waterfall, scrounged through an old pot hole and scraped through cracks less than two feet in width.

The cavern reverberated with the sound of laughter, excitement and concern as each person helped his neighbor over the tortuous route with flashlight in hand. Sharing in the fun were: Gail Pinkus, Jeanne Zanolli, Joe Raba, Rose Heiman, and Pat Van Horn.

The party was led by Mr. Alfred Hulstrunk, director of the New Jersey Speleological Survey and general science instructor of the Newark Museum, and planned by Eugene Vivian, faculty advisor for the club.

the Tails; The Twelve Days of Christmas; Down Through The Chimney; We Wish You a Merry Christmas; and O Holy Night.

The Madrigal singers are: James Alexander, Charles Aquino, Grace Banks, Lillian Boyalan, Betty Lou Carlson, Peggy Ann Connelly, George De Causemacker, Gladys De Causemacker, Janice De Korte, Joseph Di Gangi, Kay Edwards, Elaine France, John Griffith, Regina Gwozdecka, Ted Hatrak, Robert Hodde, David Holtsma, Tony Homey, Beth Jacobsen, Edith Kendall, Catherine Kennedy, Thomas Kennedy, Barbara Klein, William Knoll, Frank McNamara Jr., Isabel Pabian, Elaine Pantel, Annette Parsi, Dorothy Ploch, Gladys Rice, Joseph Romancheck, Audrey Scoles, Grace Shaw, Martin Uhleman, Barbara Vanderkats, Marcha Whipple, Patricia Whipple, and Shirley Preston.

### Concert

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The program included the following: As Late We Watched; Alleluia! O Lord Of All, It's A Babe; Glory To God In The Highest. A Musical Christmas Card; All Were There; Rise Up Early; Thirty-Two Feet And Eight Lit-