

# Age Changes Christmas Viewpoint

By JACKIE SOUTHERLAND

Stocking up? Yup. Christmas tree lights on? Yup. Let's see now; did I leave coffee and cake for Santa? Are you sure the chimney's wide enough? Can't I stay up? He won't leave switches, will he? How can the reindeer balance on our pointed roof? How will he know where I live? Daddy, did you mail my list to the North Pole; are you sure it wasn't to the South Pole?

Yes'm, I'm going. But . . . oh, all right. 'Night.

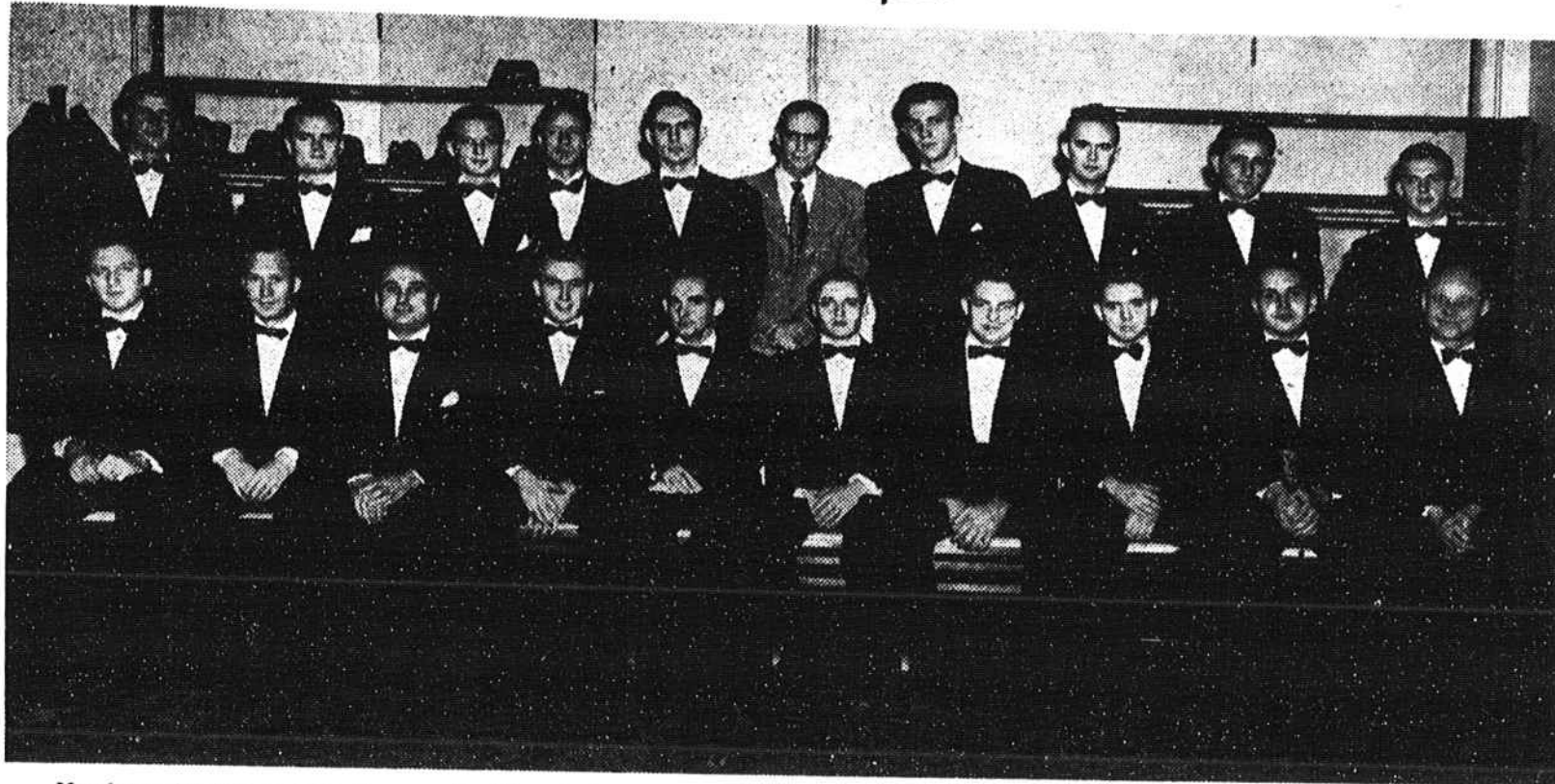
So, off we went in our childhood days, filled with determination to stay awake, but somehow or other the Sandman worked with old Santa and put us to sleep.

Janie, did you hang the mistletoe? Of course not, but he is good-looking. You mean your folks let you put real whiskey in the egg-nog? What are you getting Bill for Christmas? I'm sure glad I broke up with my fellow last week; it's cheaper this way.

Who's got the ribbon? Holy cats! Who left the scissors there? Sweetheart, this is the wrapping paper for that baby shower, not for Christmas! How about some egg-nog with the folks next door? Are the kids asleep?

Christmas carols stream through the windows and down the streets; soft voices are awed by their own impressiveness. White snow blankets the ground; candlelight softens the night, while colored lights decorate the world. All of these add up to the innocence, the quiet expectancy of the night.

A little child is born in a manger. A mother remembers a prophecy. A star lights the scene, and



Members of Omicron Delta Kappa attending the initiation banquet held last Friday night are, seated, left to right: Melton Kligman, Prof. J. D. Sumner, Dr. Robert Ochs, Dick Polen, Bobby Smith, John Cumbee, Bill Gibbes, Frank Martin, Charlie Merritt, and Ralph Lewis, alumni secretary.

Standing, left to right: Bill Fairey, Don Saunders, Floyd Spence, Prof. M. B. Seiglar, Bert Wheeler, Dr. Mason Crum, Terrell Glenn, Robert Schumpert, Ben Goldberg, and Edward Royall.

# Legends, Ghost Stories Told About Caroliniana

By JACKIE SOUTHERLAND and MARTHA WOODALL

Legends and ghost stories about the Caroliniana Library when the student assistants work late. The statues supposedly come to life, and insane professors run about the rooms.

The appearance and history of the library, whose reading room is an exact replica of a room in the Library of Congress, are entirely free of spooks, however.

The original plan for the library was a room over the chapel, but in 1816 it was moved to the present location of Legare. In 1836 a report stated that the library was falling apart; so in 1840 the present building was completed at the cost of \$23,491.50.

The Duke of Saxe-Weimar, who journeyed through North America in 1825 and 1826, said the library "was not considerable, and did not contain anything remarkable." During Dr. Cooper's time (1820-1825) angels hover near.

The bells chime out. Christmas day is here.

1834), however, the selection of books was increased in number and value. The books purchased during the presidency of Barnwell are said to be perhaps the most elegant assortment of books "ever brought to the United States."

When Sherman's army made ashes of the city, 97 of the library's books were lost, burned in the houses of borrowers. The library was exempted from use as a hospital when wounded Confederate soldiers were quartered on the campus during the Civil War. In 1865 the South Carolina senate began using the library for its meetings and continued doing so for two years.

Francis Wilkinson Pickens, whose statue and that of his wife are placed in the library, was a minister to Russia before the Civil War. The Czarina of Russia was godmother to his child who was born while the Pickenses were in that country. A Confederate regiment of South Carolina troops was named in honor of Pickens' wife, whose portrait was engraved on Confederate currency.

A graying, distinguished-looking man surprised the staff by stealing some valuable library books. He was sent to the penitentiary, but escaped. He sent a note of apology to the guard, stating that he was very sorry, but he just had to leave. He was later returned to prison.

One myth even has a storm! That's to keep the weather out. professor went crawling off the balcony. Pickens' secretary which is kind to your feet. Get yourself a pair of Mansfield STURDY shoes. Ask for Mansfield STURDY.

# Letters To The Editor:

AND A DIFFERENT MATTER

Dear Editor:

Opening the door to our room, trembling at the thought that an A bomb might go off in our faces before the sun again shines upon this glorious University, we find a note placed neatly on our beds from the powers that be. At first we wonder if it might be an ominous note from a Russian spy, or even, Heaven forbid, our constantly awaited call to the service. Taking our hearts in hand we read the message and find that we MUST pay our room reservation next week if we want a room on campus next semester. It's not bad enough that we have to dig up 10 bucks, but to add injury to insult, we see, and underlined to add emphasis, that the money WILL NOT BE RETURNED AFTER JANUARY 1. Everyone realizes that this is a big University. It can also be easily seen that it must be known how many persons will be back next semester so that plans can be made to let new students on campus, but it would seem that in these trying times some little consideration could be given to those of us who are surely going into service, yes, to protect this great institution. The only thing that is uncertain is WHEN we are going in. For some it will be at the end of the present semester, for others at the beginning of the academic year. Book at say definitely - Mansfield STURDY!

Thomas Nast, the originator of the G.O.P. elephant and the democratic donkey, gave us our modern conception of Santa Claus.

# Delta Zeta Gives Christmas Drop-In On Sunday Night

Beta Delta chapter of Delta Zeta social sorority will hold its annual campus-wide Christmas drop-in Sunday from 7 to 8 p. m. in the sorority room at Sims college, Mary Ellen O'Neal, president, announced.

The annual Christmas party will be held Monday at the home of Betty Dawson.

The chapter will also honor alumnae and parents from 6 to 7 p. m. Sunday.

bad that they must take \$10 from some poor man who will be only getting \$75 a month for the next five or six years or more. If it is true that the school is in such bad financial straights, maybe some of us could be persuaded to leave our G. I. insurance to the University.

Sincerely,  
W. J. Feider.  
A. Arthur Rosenbloom.  
Charles S. Bernstein.

# ODK Announces Accomplishments Of Recently Initiated Members

Omicron Delta Kappa, national honor leadership fraternity, held an initiation banquet Friday at the Wade Hampton Hotel in honor of its four new members, Melton Kligman, president, announced.

New members and their accomplishments are as follows:

John E. Cumbee, Ridge Springs—Member of Wig and Robe; B-plus average for three semesters; editorial board of S. C. Law Quarterly; case note editor of S. C. Law Quarterly; honor council representative for law school; member of Phi Delta Phi, legal fraternity; officer in Phi Delta Phi; B-plus average for four semesters at Augusta Junior college; member of honor society at Augusta Junior college; officer of McBryde Brotherhood.

Bill Gibbes, Hartsville—Treasurer of YMCA; president of sophomore YMCA, freshman 'Y' cabinet; co-chairman 'Y' vespers committee; vice-president of sophomore class; member of KSK; member of varsity debating team; secretary of Euphradian literary society.

Dick Polen, Crafton, Pa.—Member of freshman 'Y' cabinet; counselor, freshman 'Y' camp; member of Honor Board; member of Honor Council; Sigma Chi fraternity secretary; sophomore class historian; president of Cotillion club; member of KSK service fraternity; member of championship drill platoon; captain, NROTC pistol team; interfraternity council secretary; member of intramural football championship team.

Bobby Smith, Clover—President of major denominational group; assistant treasurer of YMCA; member of sophomore 'Y' cabinet; member of Carolina religious council; vice-president of junior class; member of KSK service fraternity; B-plus average, two semesters; departmental editor of The Gamecock; contributing member of The Gamecock.

Dr. Robert D. Ochs, University of South Carolina—Ph.D. degree at University of Illinois; member of Pi Gamma Mu; member of Phi Sigma Iota; member of South Carolina historical society, Southern historical society, American historical society, and of Quill club.

# Pan-Hellenic Plans Annual Workshop For Tomorrow

Panhellenic Council will hold its annual workshop tomorrow, Betsy Knowlton, chairman, has announced.

Official proceedings will begin with a luncheon in the Wade Hampton Cafeteria at 1 p. m., to be attended by representatives of the council.

A general session will be held at 2 p. m. in the chapel, when Dean of Women Arney R. Childs will deliver the greeting, and Wimpy Webb will welcome the representatives. Betsy Knowlton will introduce the main speaker, Miss Amy Burnham Onken, Grand President of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Specialty sessions, to be attended by all members of sororities, will be held in old Petigru, beginning at 2:45 p. m. and lasting 45 minutes each.

Four meetings are held during each session, the coeds choosing the meeting they consider most beneficial to them in their position in the sorority.

Discussions in the 2:45 session include: Panhellenic Relations, led by Martha Petty; Pledge Trainers, led by Dottie Martin; Social Chairman, led by Nancy Gary; and Rush Chairman, conducted by Nat Thomas. The 3:30 p. m. discussions include: Alumnae Relationships, led by Carolyn Busbee; Activities and Scholarship, B. J. McLean; Presidents, Frances LaBorde; and Pledge Presidents, conducted by Norma Bergman.

Betsy Knowlton is in charge of the findings session at 4:15 when reports from the specialty sessions will be heard.

The purpose of the workshop is to help the individual sororities with their problems by comparing them with the problems of others. It is sponsored to promote better relations among the Greek organizations and strengthen Panhellenic as a body.

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