Christmas Spirit Invades NEO

BY JUNE JOHNSON
Bells are ringing, students are singing, and Christmas is winging across the campus of NEO.

Although it hardly seems possible, Christmas is once more up on us. Gift hampers have been bought, cards sent, and NEO students are preparing to go home for the holidays.

The holiday season begins on December 15, Christmas exams on January 4. The reason for the extra days is that January 3, our usual day of return, falls on a Friday this year. Since it’s asking an awful lot of students to return for just one day, it was decided to wait until Monday.

The beginning of vacation is self-explanatory, as are the effects of the fun of Christmas on our campus. One of the best parts of the holiday season is the party and activities planned here on campus.

CAMPUS DECORATED

About three weeks in advance, a faculty committee started the Christmas spirit by decorating some of the buildings on campus, as well as Dr. Carter’s house. The decorations this year are surely the best ever with the longest Christmas tree on the student union and all the rest.

Many of the clubs had parties for other area members. The Business Club sponsored a dance last night in honor of the holidays. Spanish and French Clubs will hold a Christmas party Dec. 23 in the Faculty Lounge of the Union. Spanish and French games and songs will make up the entertainment for the party. Prizes will be awarded for the games and Christmas gifts will be exchanged.

The day before Spanish class met Dec. 19 to sing Christmas Carols. The group was very enumerate, because several of the students have beautiful and outstanding voices,” said Mrs. Doris Barnes.

A Santa Claus party, sponsored by the school, was held for the children of the faculty and members on December 13. The highlight of the Christmas activities on NEO campus is the last beauty-drama production — a party. Students through the program have been to give a little of their own Christmas joy to some of the younger children in the Miami area.

The party, held in the gym on December 12, a group of students and a child from a local student union. This year there was about 50 or 60 in attendance. The students were responsible for getting their child to the party and having a gift for him or her. Most of the students brought gifts, though many of them visited the home of (Continued on page 3)

Yuletide Gift Giving Has Had Its Ups and Downs Since Wise Men

Though the Three Wise Men saw the first Christmas gifts in history, the earliest Christians were bound to exchange presents. To them, the custom was a heathen one—because gift giving played a prominent role in many pagan festivals.

In time, they accepted the exchange of gifts as an expression of rejoicing—and legends about the bidders of gifts began to circume.

The story goes we know of St. Nicholas for example, was based on the real life St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor (modern Turkey) in the fourth century. Legend says St. Nicholas was a very kind, generous, and his four children kind man. He is said to have given many, many mysterious journeys carrying secret gifts to the poor. Or, as told of St. Nicholas, he dropped a bag of gold down a chimney. It fell by accident into a stoking hang up to dry by the fire—so prompt generations of hopeful children hung up their stockings, too.

Giving to the poor remained a vital part of Christmas celebrations in the centuries that came. In England, on the day before Christmas, clergyman used to open the alms boxes and distribute the money to the needy. Later, it became customary to give boxes of money on the day to people who had served you during the year.

Dec. 26 is still known as Boxing Day in Britain. The custom of bestowing gifts on friends and family members was popularized in England by King Henry VIII, according to the Shimer College, whose per-

Photograph by Clay Allen, Jr. 1950, 1952, 1953

Orange Coast displayed a terrific defense against Van Nuys’ only serious scoring threat in the center. Quarterbacks Richard Bell and Richard Haynes hauled Northeastern to the Orange Coast goal. A penalty on them back to the eight and a fourth down pass by Haynes was intercepted by tackle Fred Smith and to the 24 yard line.

Billy White, ’54, 134 pound quarterback of the Orange Coast Probables was voted the outstanding player of the game. He completed six of seven passes for 176 yards in the first half—both going for touchdowns.

This was Orange Coast’s first appearance in the junior college playoffs. Northeastern was a slight favorite going into the game and had been through many games substrates and untold.

The Orange Coast, 13-15, had hopes of effecting balanced passing and running attack but the team “just didn’t handle the Orange Coast line.”

The veterans coach commented that none of the freshmen were out apparent before the game, but that it showed when they took the field in the giant swing of the first half and not much better in the second.

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National 4-H Club Honor Won
By NEO A&M College Student Here

An interest is auto mechanics, in fact, one of his other hobbies, has won him a four-year-old NEO freshman's award in the automotive field. His interests include the study of engines, transmissions, and other aspects of automotive technology. He has also participated in several automotive contests, winning awards for his projects.

Joe Lewis of Cushing, has been named the recipient of the 4-H Club automotive award, which carries a $500 scholarship from the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co.

Joe, a junior student, has been active in the 4-H Club since he was a member of the 4-H Club in his hometown. He has been involved in several automotive-related projects, including the design and construction of a small car. His projects have been recognized by the local 4-H Club and have been featured in several automotive magazines.

Joe is also involved in other activities, including sports and music. He is a member of the school's track team and is a member of the school's band. He is also a member of the school's debate team and has won several awards for his debate performances.

THE WINNER — David Walls of Linds, one of the freshmen students at the University of Oklahoma, has been named the recipient of the 4-H Club automotive award. He has been involved in several automotive-related projects, including the design and construction of a small car. His projects have been recognized by the local 4-H Club and have been featured in several automotive magazines.

Christmas Has Deep Meaning
To Students

By ED JENNING

Young people do not always understand the spiritual aspects of Christmas. Few students on the NEO campus indicate that Christmas means vacation from classes, gifts, a big dinner with the family, but most students also carry a religious overtones. Christmas means the coming of Jesus Christ, the one who was born in a manger, to save the world. The church has tried to keep Christmas in its rightful place, but it has become too commercialized.

Bundt Fielder, pharmacy student from Dewey, "Christmas is a good time for the familiar to get together, exchange gifts and to church to worship."

Ken Powell, agriculture student from East North Port, N.Y. "Christmas has become too commercialized. We should have a more religious feeling toward it, rather than a material view."

Jerry Rutherford, political science major from Ediloe: "People tend to overeat the real spirit of Christmas when they are shopping." Bob Rountree, agriculture student from Watkins "Christmas is a joyful time of the year when you get to see everyone. The spirit of Christmas leaves you in a good mood."

Leon Jones, mathematics major from Tulsa, "Everyone is religious and they try to get in a good mood when they are feeling good. I used to look forward to gifts, but now only to the vacation. When I get home I rush to the television to see what holiday specials are on." Joelle Johnson, mathematics major from Oklahoma City: "I don't think Christmas is too commercialized because of today's trends."

Expert Tell How To Win

Eve and wonder how they do it? How some people develop the knack which permits them to complete the last line of a jingle and win a new car or $100,000 in cash? Or a chance at a year of luxury for being wise enough to win the White Owl football sweepstakes? About 500 contest are advertised yearly in newspapers, magazines, and other periodicals, offering as prizes a combined $50,000,000 in cash and merchandise. Correspondence clubs, formed to exchange contest tips, have a membership roster of 10,000. Contest solicits financial aid, while the creative art ability of the state's successful winners are highlighted by the state and very effective in teaching and other people to participate. Your chances of winning are a matter of luck.
"People To People" New Organization At NEO

People to People, an international organization which has as its goal the promotion of better understanding between people of all nations, will soon have a representative chapter at the campus of NEO.

Several students, under the guidance of Mrs. Burris, NEO language instructor, are in the process of organizing a chapter of the University Program of People to People.

Non-political and non-governmental in nature, the University Program of People to People has two main goals: to work, and has been organized on virtually all college campuses throughout America.

The first goal of the program is to promote understanding and fellowship between American students and the foreign students who are attending American colleges. Secondly, it strives to give American students a better understanding of the people and the cultures of foreign nations through films, discussions, and activities with foreign students. This fall, summer travel, a part of the program, is the most ambitious project being undertaken by the NEO chapter of People to People. This would enable any student from NEO or other colleges and universities to meet the language requirements, to understand and possibly find work in Europe this coming summer. Other projects of the NEO branch of People To People will include the 11-week Ambassador program of exchange programs between America and students in other countries with whom they share a common interest. Also, the group will attempt to organize discussion groups for those students who are attending NEO, in an effort to promote better understanding and to take these students on tours or visits which will broaden their understanding of American customs and ways of life.

Auto To Be Given Away

Car One will be given away in a drawing to be held by the Press Club, announced Dolly Sigworth, Press Club president.

The club will attempt to sell 300 tickets to raise money for the children's ward. A guarantee of $1,000 will be paid to the winner, said Sigworth.

Tickets will be sold for $5 each and the winner will be selected as a drawing to be announced later.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

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Mrs. A. E. Smith's four-year-old child, found out about them, and really got to know them. On the night of the party, it was hard to tell just who was having more fun, the children or the adults. But it is a sure bet that all of the NEO students participating in the program will never forget the good feeling they received from this.

The International Student Club at NEO are not excluded from the Christmas activities. Mrs. Davis Burris, sponsor of the club, said she was surprised to learn that the International Student Club spoke of Jesus. Most of them have a great love for Him and call Him "Little Lord Jesus." Many of us could use this in our example, and put a little more spiritual emphasis in our own Christmas activities.

All in all, the Christmas season has been a busy and filled time for everyone on the NEO campus and there is truly a Christmas spirit within us all.

MRS. SPEAKER HONORED

On Birthday, E.Y. Students

Mrs. Mabel Speaker will have a party for her children and also receive a trip to Washington, D.C., at a surprise birthday party, to be held Dec. 2.

Mrs. Speaker will be presented with a scrapbook engraved with her name, a surprise birthday party, to be held Dec. 2.

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Tours Campus
BY JUNE CLAY
A shirt and tie tour of the campus was given Henry Bellmon by Dr. Bruce G. Carter during his visit to Miami, Dec. 31. Gov. Bellmon, accompanied by Dr. Carter and a host of prominent Missourians, was shown the Student Union, Life Science Building, the Arts Building and other points of interest on campus.

Various members of the faculty were introduced to Bellmon as he visited various departments in each building.

The Governor expressed interest in the college's building plans and expansion program.

His visit here was time-limited but there was very little that he missed.

Gov. Bellmon was in Miami to speak at the annual banquet of the Florida State Alumni Association which was held at the Civic Center.

The college's nurse stars served the banquet.

Luminaries Light Girls Dormitories
BY LOUIS SCHROENEN
Luminaries formed an outgrowth of the holiday season this year for their part in decorating the campus. Luminaries are candles in paper bags which are set along the front of the dorms on the roof. The luminaries were first used in Mexico by the poor people because they were inexpensive but were a very impressive decoration. They are said to represent the shepherds' fires on the night Christ was born. These lights are simple but represent a true spirit of the Christmas season.

There were over two hundred and fifty of these luminaries bearing Sunday and Wednesday night. They made a very simple but beautiful sight from anywhere on the campus.

The Christmas party in the dorms was also held Tuesday night in the lounge. A program was presented and refreshments were served.

Yuletide Gift Giving (Continued from page 3)
Gifts of Christmas in Massachusetts became a part of life.

On the other hand, fun-loving Dutch settlers had already brought 'Steen Klaus' to New Amsterdam. Later, a German colony moved into Pennsylvania, along with their gift-givers, the Christkindles—who gave us the name 'Kris Kringle.' Other immigrant groups mandated their own legends and customs of Christmas giving and in 1823 a man named Clement C. Moore sat down and combined many of these elements into a rather well-known poem beginning: "Twas the night before Christmas... "

The "Visi from St. Nicholas" described by Dr. Moore was modest in comparison to some of St. Nick's later trips. American children have been generous Yuletide givers. During the holiday season gifts, season are used to bring their families near and with gifts gathered from the Orient, spices, china, silver, and watches. Appropriately enough, St. Nicholas was the patron saint of sailors as well as children.

The ladies aren't neglected.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
TO THE STUDENTS OF NORTHERN OKLA. A&M
RED RAVENS WIN TOURNAMENT

Coffeyville Downs
OMA 77 - 56 In
Tourney Final

BY PHIL GRAMMAR

The Red Ravens of Coffeyville set a new record in the NCAA Invitational Tournament last week. The Ravens succeeded in winning their first championship in the 17th annual event.

Coach Buddy Ball's Ravens romped the Cadets of OMA 77-56 at their final appearance of the tournament.

Led by Chris Prevall, No. 4 player of the event, Coffeyville matched the KSC Frosh TSU in the opening game. The Ravens went on to trump the Southwest Bible Institute, 96-54, to clinch a berth in the final four against OMA.

The Rebs' Golden Norseman were not up to par when they lost their regular season to the second place OMA squad 96-77. Guy O'Neal led the line, scoring 31 points. Jack O'Neal and Don Gregory had 16 points each.

The Raven's were pitted in the West Central Conference tournament, where they faced the final round against KSC after losing to the Cadets of OMA 83-77.

With 28 seconds left in the game, Guy O'Neal popped two from the corner to put the final points on the board, securing the championship for the Coffeyville Red Ravens.

The tourney ended with Coffeyville: 1st, OMA 2nd, Southwestern Baptist, 3rd, O'Neal, 4th, KSU Fresh, 5th, NEO, 6th, Eastern, 7th, and Northern, 8th.

Norsemen Lose

In Cages Meet

The Southwest Missouri State Potters of Springfield defeated the Northeastern A&M freshmen, 80 to 71, in a third place game in the Southeast Baptist college tournament at Belton, Mo.

In Monday night opening games, the KS C Freshmen defeated the Norsemen, 7-11, and the S. Baptist beat the SN freshmen. Jack Lewis was the leading Norse winner with a high-scoring 7-11 point game Tuesday night and 1-9 on Saturday.

Drury Edges Norsemen

In Season Opener

Northeastern A&M's Golden Norsemen road runners blast their season opener in an exciting game with Drury College freshman team from Springfield, Mo., by a one point margin in overtime, 69-68.

The Norsemen were in the lead at one point, and Drury demolished the Norsemen for a first place finish in overtime. Mike Gill, leading scorer for Drury, dropped a final goal with 2:10 left. With 19 seconds left, Drury's Jim Stafford made a free throw to grab a three point lead for Drury.

Drury's final score, 69-68, was the highest score in the season so far. The Norsemen had 69 points, and Jack Lewis was second with 22 points.

Golden Norseman Basketball Schedule 1963-64

Jan. 23: Mon. Fort Cheney. Open
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Jan. 30: Mon. HS. Open
Feb. 1: Mon. Coffeyville. Open
Feb. 8: Tue. Coffeyville. Home
Feb. 19: Tue. Ft. Scott. Home
March 6: Thur. Ft. Scott. Home

Children's Gift Stolen

Beaver Gaston has a new contender for the title of "World's Mostest Person". A candy cane and robe set purchased for a little horticulturally challenged child was stolen from the girl on the square in Chicago.

Leather shoes, evidently, are not the gift of choice for the children. They have already gotten everything they could want, and are not interested in anything else. The set was valued at $15.

Merry Christmas! Q
Pre-Enrollment Set

Week Of Jan. 6

Pre-enrollment for the second semester is scheduled for the week of Jan. 9-13.

As soon as possible after returning from Christmas vacation, students are urged to obtain their enrollment packets in Dean Ange's office. The packets contain everything needed for enrollment, including the student's enrollment number, which he should remember.

During the week of Jan. 6-10, students will bring their packets to their advisers, to discuss and plan their programs for the second semester.

The week following finals, students will take their programs to the student union ballroom to obtain their section numbers for their chosen courses.

This plan will make enrollment much easier on every student and is urged to take advantage of it.

NORSE FOOTBALL QUEEN — Donna Turner, sophomore business major, was crowned queen at the annual football banquet by Norse captains Andy Stadler and Pete Midday. A member of the Business club, football staff and student council, Donna will find time to perform with the Norse Stars.

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

EXPERTS TELL HOW (Continued from page 2)

Do not assume interest or knowledge. Football fans, for instance, last year had a chance to win "The Best Year of Your Life"—12 prizes including both a winter and a summer vacation—in the White Owl Cigar Sweepstakes.

1. Be sure to obey all the contest rules—the letter. Hundreds of thousands of entries got disqualified each year because the sender hasn't enclosed a label that has gone over the word limit, or has misunderstood the problem. If you must supply a word to rhyme with another word—be sure it rhymes with that particular word. Also make the rhymes perfect. If the first line goes da-da-da-da-da, don't make your line go da-dada-da-dada-da.

2. An entry blank from a dealer if the rules require one. And before starting to work on any contest, first make sure its deadline for entries has not already passed.

3. See what's hidden in the product you're writing about—a clue, a mystery, a surprise. Look at the ad and see what the sponsor promises about his product.

4. Take plenty of time on your entries—and don’t easily discourage.

5. Re-phrase—juggle words—use words that sound well together. Witness E. Shepherd, Jr., who estimates that 80,000 graduates of the Shepherd School in Philadelphia have won over $2,000,000 in the last thirty years, offers these tips on wording your entry. Watch for chances to reverse your phrases (never sharing second) and second sharing.) Use contrasting words (highest-lowest). Look for chances to compound sentences (these works). Usesonance and rhyme (more vivid, more mileage, more smiles). Tense ideas (tense and wanted for murder.)

6. Be sincere. (If you don’t use the product or don’t like it, why not enter another contest instead? The first supplies a "weighted scale" of contest judgment to the Post Office, beforehand, listing the basis of 10 points, what valuations they will give entries. For instance, in one contest "unfitness" might count for 30 points, "sincerity" 40 points, etc. Therefore an entry high in the latter quality might score out one which

Norse Defeat Iola, 76 To 72; Lewis Hits 22

Northeastern A&M cagers eased past the Iola, Kan., junior college squad, 9 to 72, in a thrilling game in Iola Tuesday night. High scorer for the Norsemen was Jack Lewis, who bagged 22 points.

Northeastern trailed Iola practically the entire first half. The locals cagers turned the scoring tables with three minutes remaining in the first half and held the lead throughout the remainder of the game.

Iola pulled dangerously close in the opening moments, and the scoring gap narrowed to 71 to 70 with two minutes to play.

The victory was the Norsemen's third of the season in eight starts. They must now go against the Fort Scott, Kan., squad at the Miami Civic Center Thursday night.

Last night's huge, with field goals, free throws, fouls and total points, is what order follows:

NORTHEASTERN — Bill Clingan 9 8 1 18, Guy Driver 1 1 3; Charles Hamilton 2 2 4 6; Jack Lewis 6 8 10 22; Doug Gregory 1 2 1 11; Homer Rouchley 2 2 2 6. Totals 29 11 11 76.

IOLA — Johnson 6 9 2 12; Morris 3 1 4 7; Cravath 0 0 2 2; Crites 2 1 1 5; Person 0 0 2 2; Harlin 3 0 3 6; Trendall 3 2 2 8; Hill 3 2 2 9. Spencer 0 0 1 1. Totals 33 10 10 72.

NICE TRY—George Kever reaches high for a pass from Richard Ball, but couldn’t catch it. Sherwood Northwestern is the Orange Coast defender coming in to break up the play.

The Norsemen are the Orange Coast defender coming in to break up the play.
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