

Midgett's Boys Open With Victories Over Peps, Royals

RAIDER DUST

By WILEY HOLLOWAY

The Raider Cagesters

Meet the members of the basketball team:

Doc Phillips—Doc was born in Ridgeway, Tennessee, in 1917. He went to Goodlettsville High School where he earned four letters in basketball. After that he went to David Lipscomb Junior College, and lettered two years there. In his last year there he was chosen captain of the team. After lettering last year at STC, he was chosen to lead this year's squad. Doc is a senior.

Coyle and Doyle Branson—The twins were born in Washburn, Tennessee, in 1917. They attended Clarksville High and lettered three years. While at Austin Peay, Doyle was on the All-Southeastern Junior College first team and Coyle on the second team. They lettered at STC last year and are co-alternate captains this year. This is their senior year.

George Summers—High point man from Lipscomb where he earned two letters and Centertown where he earned three. This is his junior year in college and first year here.

B. B. Gracey III—A native of Murfreesboro. He is a senior and has received two letters in basketball.

Boots Little—A product of East High, Nashville, where he was a four-letter man and captain his senior year. Boots has a numeral

and letter to his credit. He is a junior.

Roger Brewington—A hard fighting center from Willow Grove, and regular freshman center last year. "Brew" is a sophomore.

Ira "Mustang" Mackie—Nashville all-city from David Lipscomb High where he earned four letters. Mustang has lettered every year here. He is a junior.

Buford Turpin—Born in Whitehouse in 1919. He earned three high school letters and two college letters. Buford is a junior.

John Bragg—President of student body. Born in Woodbury in 1918—two letters in Murfreesboro high school and a numeral, two letters in State. John is a senior.

Mac Carter—A three letter man from Murfreesboro Central. A sophomore at STC where he made a numeral last year.

From this group of eleven men its Coach Midgett's job to pick a starting team. They are nearly evenly matched and intra-squad competition will be high throughout the season. This group is composed of experienced men and a fine aggregation is expected to represent STC.

The ten "depression classes" of 1930-1939 at Stevens Institute of Technology are 96 per cent employed.

The State Teachers College Blue Raiders chalked up their second consecutive triumph of the season last night as they defeated the Shelbyville Royals, 38 to 24, before a crowd of approximately 200 fans.

With Captain Doc Phillips and Roger Brewington at the helm, the Raiders overcame a five-point deficit to gain an early lead in the waning minutes of the first quarter.

After posting an 8 to 6 lead at the quarter, the Raiders continued to spear the nets with a continual fire of shots to retire at the intermission with a 20 to 13 margin.

The score was deadlocked at 11-11 in the second period as Billy Hudson fired two straight field goals and a single foul shot through the hoops to turn in the best piece of offensive work for the Royals.

Due to the smooth alertness of Buford Turpin, the score remained deadlocked only a second, however, as the Middle Tennessee ace pitcher in a foul shot to give the Raiders a 12 to 11 advantage.

John Bragg got hot to knife a field goal through the nets, then Turpin Brewington, and Phillips rallied to three straight goals to leave the hardwood at the half with a seven-point advantage.

Captain Phillips was outstanding for the Raiders with 13 points, while Brewington and Turpin came in for second-place honors with 7 points each. Cline was best for the Royals with 5 digits.

The lineups:
F.—Royals (24) Raiders (38)
F.—Sweeney (4) (2) Bragg
F.—Hudson (6) (3) Summers
C.—Cline (5) (7) Brewington
G.—Sears (2) (7) Turpin
G.—Bryant (1) (13) Phillips
Substitutions: Royals, Campbell
(2); Darden (2); Swain (2); Raiders, Mackie (4); Carter (1); C. Branson (2).

Referee: Jack Delay.

Optimism Reigns At Grid Fete, 'Just Begun To Fight' -- Smith

By GEORGE PARRISH

A wave of optimism hovered over the annual football banquet of the State Teachers college Blue Raiders last night at the Training School.

It was the dominating word on the lips of coaches, members of the freshmen and varsity squads, members of the Blue Raider Athletic association, and a host of college officials.

As a result of the expressions of appreciation and cooperation on the part of the coaches and players, the future of athletic stock at the institution shone brightly on the horizon today.

Due to the fact that newspaper space is limited, especially to long-winded speeches on the part of college coaches and officials, important statements made by each speaker are listed as follows:

Q. M. Smith, president of the

institution: "We've just begun to fight."

Head Coach Herc Alley: "Next year, we're going to build a football team, instead of character."

Assistant Coach Wink Midgett: "I am fairly certain that four or five games on next year's schedule are already in the bag."

Athletic Director Frank Bass: "In view of Midgett's optimism, I think it but fitting and proper to allow him to speak over the time limit of two minutes."

Elbert Patty, newly elected captain: "I think that I shall heed Mr. Bass' suggestion to make a short talk and sit down."

Tommy Hudson, newly elected alternate captain: "We're going to win some games next

Raiders Chalk Up 2nd Victory, Turkey Is It

The Blue Raiders chalked up their second victory of the year Wednesday night when they completely demolished a turkey dinner prepared by the P.-T. A. of the Training School in the school's cafeteria. At the final whistle the Raiders buoy, efficiently aided by the Fresh squad and the B. R. A. A. members made a clean sweep of all that was put before them.

The banquet was unique in that no principle speaker was on hand and the only people called on for talks were Coaches Alley, Midgett and Freeman, Captain Sam Smith and Captain-elect Elbert Patty and President Q. M. Smith. Athletic Director Frank Bass presided as toastmaster.

The feature of the program was the showing of the Vanderbilt and Tennessee football game closes. These were shown at the close of the banquet in the auditorium and all the banqueters had fifty yard line seats and the tons groaned as well as cheered for the good plays. Next to the big meal, the number one attraction for the varsity and freshmen players was the reading of the lettermen at the banquet.

The following received the T for service this season:
Captain Sam Smith of Murfreesboro, Alternate Captain Mac Rutherford of Lawrenceburg, Dave Adamson of Watertown, Dave Battle of Tusculumbia, Ala., Billy Bryant of Nashville, John Deal of Old

Hickory, Bill Evans of Nashville, Kenneth Ellis of Murfreesboro, Charles Greer of Nashville, Billy McDonald of Gordonsville, Elbert Patty of Chattanooga, Bob Sarvis of Chapel Hill, Brownie Robinson Gordonsville, Tommy Hudson of Nashville, Carl Rudder of Stevenson, Ala., J. O. Sarver of Henderson, Roger Smith of Murfreesboro, Doyle Smith of Old Hickory, Fount Watson of Old Hickory, Carl Yates of Nashville, Manager "Boots" Little of Nashville and Assistant Manager Tommy Tucker of Lafayette.

Of this group, the seniors are: Robinson, Rutherford, S. Smith, D. Smith, Yates, Sarver and Battle.

Coach Nooby Freeman awarded numerals to the following:
Sam Burton of Mt. Juliet, Arthur Scates of Union City, Bobby McClintock of Cornersville, Randall Arant of May Minette, Ala., Jimmy Schleicher of Goodlettsville, Avery Blessing of Shelbyville, Wally Drochomirekri of Detroit, Jimmy Jackson of Nashville, Shorty March of Nashville, Will Taylor of Lafayette, Bill Birch of Knoxville, Frank Burgdorf of Murfreesboro, Gene McIntire of Nashville, Emory Davenport of Nashville, Leonard Nixon of Smithson, Tug Cronover of Murfreesboro, Jim Conley of Woodbury, Frank Turner of Nashville, Joe Gibson of Nashville, Jack Carythers of Lafayette, and E. B.

The State Teachers College Blue Raiders played their first basketball game and won it 35 to 25 Monday night over the curly-haired lads who play for the Young Men's Hebrew Association of Nashville.

It was not only the first showing of the 1940 model hardwood machine, but the first appearance of the Raiders as coached by Elwin Wink Midgett, who in bygone years has played on that same floor as a Watertown high school boy and later as a Tech Eagle.

Coach Midgett's machine did all right for a premiere performance. Though seeming to lack lubrication and the cooperative spirit, the squad has plenty of talent and it is ripe with possibilities.

The current Peps, coached by Emile Roth, a former Murfreesboroan, suffer by comparison with the old Hebrew quints that once pitched many a bitter brawl with the Teachers. These Peps are younger. They still have all their hair. But they don't have the stuff of those old baldies with unpronounceable names who used to show here.

The Teachers snatched a quick lead and held it all the way with Capt. Doc Phillips and George Summers connecting with the nets most consistently. The Cap'n got nine points during the evening and Summers got 11.

All the Teachers got to play and their performances indicated there would be plenty of reserve material on hand when the going gets tougher after Santa Claus has come and gone.

THE LINEUPS
Teachers (35) Y.M.H.A. (25)
F.—Bragg (3) Lipschutz (5)
F.—Summers (11) M. Kraft (2)
C.—Brewington (5) H. Levy (4)
G.—Turpin (5) Bernard (6)
G.—Phillips (9) L. Levy (3)
Subs: Teachers, Mackie (2); Y. M.H.A., Berlin (5).

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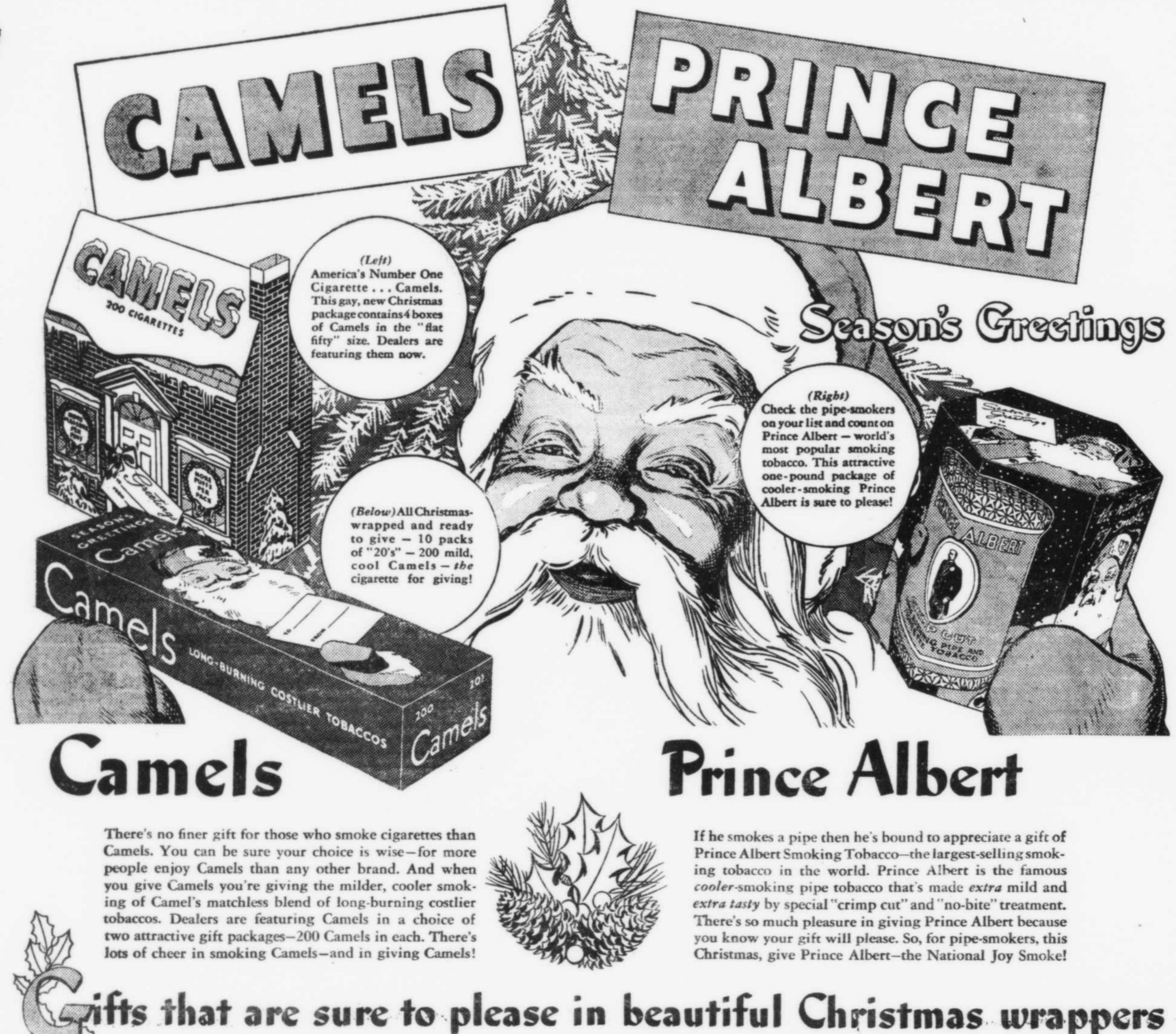
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GOSSIPER NO. 1
The newest love triangle is Helen Hutton, Jimmie Armstrong, cant seem to make up his mind. It does look like you Lyon Hall girls could be original. Blackouts and fireworks belong to Jones Hall. Please notice.
Nell Becett and Bobby McClintock make a cute couple, don't you think? They are seen together constantly.
These freshmen are learning fast. Just ask those that cut Ed. 101 for no reason at all. Also the rest of the class would like to know what was in that note that was intercepted by Dr. Lewis.

It was quite a sight watching the girls, as they just returned from the football dance, pulling off their shoes as soon as they entered the dorm. Boys, what was the cause of that?
These old romances are holding out fine at least. Jaunita-Bobs, Penny-Bill, Margaret-Jimmie and Nanc and Tommy. Luck to you.
Hall's heart is "akin" for you, Cleo? But are you too busy dating "Tommy" from Shelbyville?
Ladies' man on the campus is Burchell Cliff.

Those Bransons are running in high again. What hay they got (and where did they get it) that makes the femmes completely go nuts!
Battle, how is your courting in town prognosticating?
Charlie Greer, that person that wasn't interested in the opposite sex, has been seen with a little brunette, about the campus.

Congratulations to Patty and Hudson for being elected captain and alternate for 1940. We shall be rooting for you when the grid-iron season rolls round.
Here's to the "Midlander" staff for a bigger and better book.
The students want more community singing in chapel. It makes us all feel like kids again (or are we still?).
"Slip" and John J. have added to their schedule. How about it boys? Are you making A's or D's?
Claude Lewis declares he is in love. Who is the girl? (She's a freshman and one of "Those"

GOSSIPER NO. 2
JUST ANY GIRL: Are mine the only lips you have ever kissed?
DENVER BAXTER: Yes, darling. And the sweetest.

Bill Evans was trying to funny. "Where were you born?" he asked a freshman.
"In Murfreesboro, Sir," was the answer.
"In Murfreesboro. Why were you born there?"
"I wanted to be near mother," replied the freshman meekly.

Speaking of clubs:
We have a nice bunch of clubs here at STC. There is a club to represent almost every talent and art on the campus, except one: a Liars Club.
Such a club would be a great addition to the school, for it would be a means of organizing the one talent which all are continually practicing and improving in.
All the students in school would be eligible to membership. It would not be fair to exclude the faculty, either. Several of them would be eligible for becoming charter members.

Students are wondering why Haywood Hall is not as popular as he was at the first of school. He is gradually losing his thought-to-be girl friends.
It is a strange thing why Elrod has to go to the library basement to study. Is it Miss Taylor?
Is it from one table in the library basement that Bill Jenkins can acquire knowledge? We wonder.
How does Jimmie McKnight man-

blondes)
"Sugar and spice and everything nice" to the Dick-ns "Christmas Carol" cast. It surely put us all in the Christmas spirit.
We wonder what—
Bill Thackston would do without his laugh.
Myrtle Smith without her gum.
"Bugs" without late light permission.
Billy Birch without Doris.
George Bock and A. C. without their "line."

GOSSIPER NO. 3
It seems to be some argument as to where Charlie Greer's heart is. We know he's fickle, but ask him if he hasn't really taken his heart back to Nashville.
Is the bridge foursome, composed of Ada Dean Brown, James Ferguson, Billy Denton, and Fount Watson, getting serious or just in fun. Bridge is a nice game.
I hear John I. Parker had a cute number at the dance after the U.T.-Vandy game.

It seems there is no change in the Lumpkin-Holthouse case, but we can't blame either of them.
What's Lawrenceburg got that Patty and Carvear can't forget?
It seems that Preston James has been beaten by a Birch.
Seems as how Margaret Wysong did some visiting during Thanksgiving. But don't worry, Jimmy was there, too.
We would like to know how Margaret Caldwell can string so many boys along at one time.
Has Petey Dill really forgotten Florida? We don't think so.
Have you heard that Sam Smith is a married man, and don't forget

age to cut physical education? Is it because of Margaret?
We saw Margaret with another gent the other day. Gene, are you slipping?
Did you know that several of our boys and girls have been asked for their autobiographies to go in the "Whos Who of College Students in America"? Congratulations! We are proud of you.
We do believe there is a romance budding between Carl Yates and Caroline Smith. He's getting to be a habit at Lyon Hall.
Has Wayne Sexton at last given the girls a break?
Bose is getting tangled up in a Webb and he seems to be helpless when she's around.
In a dormitory room the other night, one of these fair damsels broke down and confessed. "My, wouldn't I like to date Hodges". Come on, Hodges, give her a break.
To the officers of administration, the faculty and the student body, we extend our hearty wish for a very merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.

Little Lester. Cute little trick he is too.
What happened to the Branson twins? They aren't seen about as they used to be.
Has John J. left the mountaineer or is she slipping off?
To have seen some of the football players at the Legion Hall the other night you wouldn't think some of them the bashful boys we thought they were.
Juanita says she is afraid she'll be stuck the entire time at the next dance, but no such luck, Bob.
It seems Billy Bryant isn't the killer-diller he once was or is it he has settled down to one.
What's this unheeded brotherly advice given to M. H.? Well, look out.

What about the blackout in Lyon Hall? There seems to be a man and his whistle concerned.
Have you heard that Dick Stickney has gone in for professional dancing? He earned his first money (a penny) at the Jug the other night. Boy! Was he mad!
It's been said that Doc Phillips is slow but sure in more things than


one. Eh, Marjic?
Maybe now that she's older, Jessie Mai will act her age.
What's this I hear about Chicago, B. B.?
It's rumored a certain couple will announce their engagement before long.
It seems that someone is wanting attention or just wants to raise a stink (so does a skunk) by posting statements which he knows just enough about to make him ignorant.
Now get mad at me if you wish. NO one knows who you'll be mad at. If you wish to retaliate just poke your gossip in the Side-Lines box on the main floor.

The average large U. S. university has two and a half non-academic employees for every member of its teaching staff.
Two co-eds are members of the livestock judging team of Massachusetts State College.
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