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University Calendar

- December 21—Chemistry lecture, Prof. W. G. Brown, University Assembly. December 22—4 p. m. to January 4 8 a. m., Christmas holidays. January 7—Prof. N. M. Trenholme at Social Science club, "Newer Viewpoints of History." January 10—Stereopticon lecture in university auditorium by Gilbert McClurg, lecturer and traveler. January 11—Astronomy lecture, Prof. H. M. Reese, University Assembly. January 14—E. H. Downey at Social Science club, "Modern Economics and the Benevolent Order of Nature." January 15—St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. January 18—Geology lecture, Prof. C. F. Marbut, University Assembly. January 21—The Rev. C. E. Burgess at Social Science club, "Socialism and the Teachings of Jesus." January 31 to February 5, Mid-year examinations. February 7-8—Entrance examinations. February 8, 10 a. m.—Opening assembly of second semester. February 9—Class work in all departments begins. February 12—St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. February 15—Botany lecture, C. S. Gager, University Assembly. February 22—Holiday, Washington's birthday. March 1—"Experimental Zoology," Prof. George Lefevre, University Assembly. March 5—St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. April 7—Quarterly meeting of Board of Curators. May 20 to June 4—Final examinations. June 4-9—Commencement week.

HOW TO OBSERVE CHRISTMAS.

Every true-born American has a natural desire to observe Christmas. To him it is a day set apart—a day perhaps of rest, of merriment and feasting—a day when previously thought out plans, homecomings, joys and disappointments are realized. In the midst of it all, in the merriment the feasting, the giving of tokens of admiration and esteem, the reasons why the day is observed are not lost sight of.

The question which is uppermost in the minds of many persons a month, a week, or a few days before Christmas, is how each shall spend this particular Christmas. Certain it is in any event the day should be so observed that the greatest possible satisfaction may be had through its observance without anything harmful having been done.

Suppose each person this year were to resolve to do his best to make some one happy, or to do something acceptable for some one on or before Christmas day. The satisfaction derived from helping a fellow-man or from doing a kind unexpected favor for a friend is immeasurable. Get the true Christmas spirit and let those with whom you come in contact feel your radiant smile, your cheery greeting. If you are away from home with a chance for returning, go back to see father and mother. They will be glad to see you and it will give them a happy Christmas.

The character of the day should be kept in mind. Not that a person should go about with a sanctimonious look ever upon his face—not that at all. Plunge into your celebration your merriment, have a good time, so long as it is pure and good, but when you begin to do that which your conscience says you should not, then remember the day and do not desecrate it.

At Adolphus Busch's home the children are to hunt for their Christmas

present Christmas eve. So will many other children in the poorer parts of St. Louis.

An East St. Louis boy of 20, who worked in a warehouse, set fire to \$100,000 worth of property "just to have some fun, and see it burn."

Under different circumstances he might affiliate with the gilded youth of Pittsburg and New York.

Red Cross stamps on it will give your Christmas gift an added meaning. They are peculiarly appropriate to the season.

WELL, CYNIC SMILE.

If you see a group of university women talking earnestly you can safely bet the subject is Christmas. If you see a group of students crowding about in heated conversation they are discussing the line up of the team that will play "the high school bunch" Christmas. If you see two professors stop for a minute in the corridor and exchange a few remarks and smile you can bet they have asked each other "Where you going to spend your holidays?"

If you see a worried little girl sitting in the library with a big dangerous looking book open before her while her star dreaming gaze tells you her thoughts are far away, she is trying to decide definitely whether or not Tom (or Joe or Jack) is going to send her something. Maybe she is wondering whether she should send a stick pin or cuff buttons.

The young man who is rushing to the bank and getting his balance has just seen "the very thing" for the girl's Christmas present. He wonders if he can afford it. The extra large amount of mail coming in now is composed mostly of firm refusals from "Dad" for more of the government issue "needed to buy books." Also some of that mail comes from fond mothers who are frustrating Dad's meanness by surreptitiously sending "the needed."

Instead of chiding the star gazer in class now the "prof" merely smiles. Instead of scrapping with your roommate you are discussing the serious question of what to get for Christmas presents. The staid seniors are more staid from worrying over the success of the coming Christmas-tree stunt. It is the time of great joy. It comes but once a year and it is only the most cynical who cannot feel a touch of the approaching Christmas spirit.

Even those St. Louis families that are not wealthy can have a strawberry for Christmas dinner this year. They are only \$1 a quart.

Each day brings long lists of deaths from automobile accidents. The auto is a lineal descendent of the juggernaut.

Andrew Carnegie awarded a scholarship of \$5,000 a few days ago to a Pittsburg boy pianist to enable him to perfect his art abroad. The benevolent steel king would not need to look far to find many a worthy and needy youth struggling to master an art, who would be satisfied with a much smaller gift.

VIEWPOINTS

[The University Missourian invites contributions on matters of University and Columbia interest. The name of the author and a company such letter, but will not be printed unless desired.]

Stick to "Old Missouri."

To the Editor of the University Missourian: Let me add a few words to what has been already said on the subject of a new song.

It appears to me that we should gain nothing by discarding "Old Missouri." A new song might, perhaps, have a greater musical value, technically speaking, but it could not, for a long time, at least, command the respect and arouse the emotions that "Old Missouri" does. There is something grand and impressive about "Old Missouri."

It has been called old. What of it? Is that any reason to give for its abolishment? Marriage is an old institution, but there seems to be no movement on foot to abolish it. So let's stick to "Old Missouri." D.

Says He Misunderstood Speech.

To the Editor of the University Missourian: Your reporter who attended the banquet to the football team of 1909 last Thursday evening must have failed to understand the meaning of a simple and clear statement when he quoted the president of the university as saying "I have always believed that when a team plays football, it should play to win. And, further, I am for this kind of a moral victory." What he did say was that the Thanksgiving victory this year was a moral victory

because it was won by traits of mind and character such as alertness of perception, promptness and accuracy of judgment and decision, splendid co-operation and grit, fighting grit, not by muscle and weight, and he added that he would have been just as proud of the team of 1909, after watching that game, had Kansas accidentally succeeded in scoring another touchdown as seemed possible for a few minutes during the second half of the game. X.

The Quo Vadis Club.

To the Editor of the University Missourian: The writer begs to protest against the printing of names of individuals in the notices from time to time found in your pages of the doings of the members of the Quo Vadis club. If one of these young men should in the future happen to do something worthy of note or should happen to find himself in a position to be considered as eligible to the honors of this world, it would be very embarrassing for him to be confronted with documentary proof of his former connection with the particular form of activity which entitles one to membership in this club.

The world at large, when the college boy comes into practical contact with it, will be found to have many surprises in store. Perhaps one of the most curious features is an inability to see distinctions that ought to be perfectly plain to the veriest school boy. And upon this very point of judging about the moral quality of such acts as the members of the Quo Vadis club pride themselves upon, who knows but that the world in the cold light of the near or distant future will show that it is utterly unable to see any difference between Quo Vadism and any other form of deadbeating and dishonesty?

I submit that these misguided young men should be protected as far as possible from publicity. T. A. S.

The Seventh Column

Don'ts for the Holidays.

Don't begin telling about the Kansas game as soon as you step into the house. Your parents might be more anxious to hear about your studies.

Don't teach your little brother to smoke.

Don't let your county club inveigle you into a football game. The town boys are laying for you.

Don't knock your boarding house.

Don't say you were sure that Missouri would win.

Don't become careless in your grammar. Some persons have peculiar ideas as to how much a university student should know.

Don't give the new yell on the street after 3:30 p. m. That is bed time at home. If you live in the city don't yell at all.

Don't let your girl at home find out about your girl at the university.

Don't say the home town is bigger than Columbia. The chances are it isn't.

Don't burden yourself with school books. You won't study anyhow.

Don't get arrested, if you can help it.

This is the time when the North wind puts on airs.

The early shopper gobbles the bargains.

Don't tell it to the Danes no more. HERMAN HOELKE.

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