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Christmas and a Happy, Happy New Year

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**M.E. DEPARTMENT  
HOLDS OPEN  
HOUSE PARTY**

College and Bryan People Are Guests  
of Informal Opening of  
M. E. Shops.

An open house entertainment was given by the Mechanical Engineering Department to formally open its new shops building Thursday evening. Officials and students of the department were the hosts to the Bryan and College guests. A display of equipment with its function in routine operation was the chief source of entertainment for the visitors. Students were engaged in the various branches of the work there to show the shops in full operation. The guests were received on the first floor by Professor E. J. Fermier, head of the department. The long corridor extending the full width of the building was beautifully decorated with flowers.

The trip took the guests first through the offices and class rooms, and lecture rooms. Then to the wood shops where the beginners were learning the fundamentals of Wood Working. The spacious basement was also open for inspection. The machine shops were then visited giving the visitors an insight to the operation of lathes, drills, hammers, etc., then to the casting room—a blast furnace was in full operation, gushing forth its molten metal ready for delivery to the sand moulds. The party then went to the pattern room and were shown how the designs must first be made in wood to leave the imprint in the sand which molds the cooling metal. Punch was served in a most unique style. Large cakes of ice were hollowed out to serve as receptacles for the nectareous fluid.

**SOCIETY.**

The last corps dance of the year was held in Sisa's Annex last Saturday, night of December the 15th, at 8:30 p. m.

The dance was very quiet but was enjoyed by all. Its quietness can be explained only in that its being the last until after Xmas made it thus. The thought of the coming holidays also brought the mental calm before the storm.

But with the first corps dance of the New Year, we expect things to liven up. We are looking for many more good corps dances next year—which is 1924.

A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

**Obvious.**

Aviator's companion—What city are we passing over now?

Aviator—Look down and tell me what you see.

Aviator's companion—Two hold-ups.

Aviator—Chicago.

**COMMITTEES  
ARE ELECTED  
FOR THE R. V. HOP**

Organization Expects to Stage Military Exhibition and Elaborate Social Functions in Spring.

F. H. Downs, Arrangements; D. C. Chapman, Programs; W. D. Johnson, Banquet; S. C. Bartlett, Music; H. M. Tatum, Decorations; and J. Y. Forgason, Floor. These were the chairmen of the respective committees who were elected at the R. V. meeting Sunday afternoon.

These men are to have charge of the plans, which are to begin at once for the annual festivities next spring. The dances will take place sometime in April, and this year, and exhibition drill will be a feature of the holidays.

The celebration will include the "Queen's Ball," the "Ross Volunteers Hop," a Corps Dance, the R. V. Banquet, Exhibition drill and probably two or more athletic contests. The committee chairmen were elected early so that their plans could be formulated and executed without the handicaps of brevity of time.

The finances of the R. V.'s will be handled by Secretary-Treasurer, J. V. Drisdale; so no Finance chairman was elected.

**CHEMISTRY CLUB MEETS.**

J. K. Stevens, president of the Chemical Club, introduced in his own and pleasing way a meeting of the club which was acclaimed the best in the history of the club. This was on the night of Friday, December 14.

Mr. Medberry gave a discussion of Vapor Tension, and its effect on the Lubricating Quality of our oil.

This was followed by a discussion of "Coal Tar and its By-Products" given by J. T. Clarke.

H. T. Johnson gave a discussion on "Lignite," the preparation of bleaching carbon, and the possibilities of Texas Lignite Fields."

T. R. Strange gave a lecture on "Chemistry, its Simple Side, the Personal Side, its Opportunities for students, and its Humorous Side."

The program was closed by the singing of numerous songs by a cast-iron quartet to the tune of sulphuric acid. A number of musical parodies were rendered which were well received by the group of professors present. The quartet was composed of Preston, Winchester, Brazelton and McCluney. Mr. Wilmer of Paris, who had delivered an address on Cottonseed Oil that afternoon made a few remarks to the club before it adjourned.

**At the "Calf."**

Don't kick about the tough steak; it would be tougher if you didn't have any. This is an old joke, but so is the steak.

Wishing you all  
**A Merry Christmas**  
and a  
**Happy New Year**

We hope 1924 will be the  
brightest, happiest and  
most successful year  
of your life.

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