Housing restrictions force ghettos to grow

WASHINGTON — Denial of housing opportunities in white urban and suburban areas is making the nation's ghettos grow ever larger, according to evidence from several sources.

Nationally, U.S. Census bureau officials reported that inner-city communities are getting bigger, at the same time that white suburbs are staying white.

In the Chicago area, it was found that housing opportunities for black people remain meager in most suburbs and in many neighborhoods.

Thus, most black Chicagoans have no choice but to stay in the city's Southside and Westside "ghetto areas."

Historian Gilbert Osofsky notes that, "by all the standard measurements of human troubles in the city, the ghetto has always been with us — it has tragically endured."

Professor Osofsky, of the University of Illinois, believes that racial ghettos are an old story in the U.S. — and that they have been getting larger.

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THE CENSUS bureau found that the population in low-income areas has increased by 100,000 over the past two years, rather than declining by 300,000, as a recent White House report suggested.

While whites continue to flee from the central cities, "there is no evidence of any significant increase of blacks moving to the suburbs," said Herman P. Miller, chief of the population bureau.

Miller's report contrasted sharply with statistics issued by the White House indicating that the black population of ghetto areas was declining significantly.

Indicating disagreement with the White House report, Miller said: "I guess the only ray of hope is that black people are not piling up in the central cities as much as before."

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WHILE MIGRATION from the South to Northern ghetto areas has tapered off in recent years, natural increase contributes to the rise in inner-city population.

The Census Bureau is said to be planning to issue a new study of population distribution that is expected to show the segregated character of residential patterns in this country.

In Chicago, the chairman of the Chicago Human Relations commission testified that his agency has been unable to make any progress in breaking down segregated housing patterns.

Peter Fitzpatrick also conceded at a City Council Finance committee budget hearing that his commission has no program likely to stop white neighborhoods from rapidly becoming all-black after the first house is sold.

CHRISTMAS SEALS

NEW YORK —George Meany, president of the AFL/CIO officially has endorsed the 1968 Christmas Seal Campaign, Dr. John L. Gompertz, president of the National Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, announced.

BISHOP J. O. PATTERSON, elected Presiding Bishop of Church of God In Christ, Inc. at the 61st annual Holy Convocation, convening recently in Memphis Tenn.

Ky. study decries ghetto's economy

LOUISVILLE — Unless there is an increase in capital in the black community here, "equal economic opportunity and free enterprise will become mere hollow phrases inapplicable to practically an entire race of people," the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights reported recently.

The report, after a two-month study of private businesses, found that only 490 of the 10,726 businesses in Louisville were colored-owned.

It also said colored businessmen tend to do business in the ghetto in traditionally segregated barber shops, taverns, beauty shops and funeral homes.

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"OF PARTICULAR concern is the apparent decline of major black businesses," the commission said. "At one time there were two black-owned hotels and three movie theaters." Now there are none.

Only three businesses employ as many as 25 people, only 13 as many as 10, and only 29 as many as 5, according to the report.

Mr. Klean's Jamtor and Maintenance Service Inc. was listed as the largest firm, with 200 workers. Other large businesses include the Mammoth Life and Accident Insurance Co., with 115 employees and the City Taxi Service with 55.

Blaming urban renewal for clearing out numerous firms and citing the difficulty of obtaining loans from private lending agencies, the report said:

"Both the public and private sectors of the economy have contributed to the problems of black business."

Real Humanae Vita in pill, says Methodist Bishop Lord

WASHINGTON — United Methodist Bishop John Wesley Lord this week released a statement in regard the controversial issue of birth control.

The bishop asserts that the position of the United Methodist Church is clear and unequivocal. "We believe that planned parenthood fulfills rather than violates the will of God."

Regarding the population explosion and related problems confronting the world at this time, Bishop Lord stressed the need for "necessary information and means for the excessive birth rate" control through public and private programs. This is our Humanae Vitae."

Bishop Lord is the episcopal administrator of the United Methodist Church in the Washington area which includes the District of Columbia the state of Maryland Delaware and the eastern panhandle of West Virginia.

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"SOME YEARS AGO," the Bishop said, "while visiting India, and in conversation with a sweeper in New Delhi, I remarked upon the low life expectancy in his country.

"He replied, 'We need early death to compensate for the excessive birth rate'. Can this be God's will for his children?

"Family life at its best is a matter of living life at the deepest level, which is a level of relationship with God. But at the very moment when the family is being desperately besieged by forces with which it is unable to cope, it is further threatened by the 'population explosion.'"

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"OUR LORD was concerned about children. He would not be happy to see millions of children diseased, hungry, uncared for and unwanted, uneducated retarded and lacking medical help, simply because of the irresponsibility of their parents.

"Children should not be brought into this world unless they can receive the care to which they are entitled. It is an evil thing to perpetuate and aid methods that spawn, millions of hungry human beings for whom there is no adequate support of any kind."

Household worker trainees graduate

Graduation exercises for 21 New York women who had completed a 10-week course in household management were held last week at the annual meeting in Washington of the National Committee on Household Employment (NCHE).

The training course is part of an experimental and demonstration project funded under the Manpower Development and Training Act and developed by NCHE in cooperation with the Departments of Labor and of Health, Education, and Welfare.

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PROJECT SPONSOR is Household Management Incorporated, a New York City private employment agency. It has established the Household Management Center in New York where trainees are taught a wide variety of skills ranging from cooking and serving meals to care of the elderly.

Upon graduation most trainees become employees of Household Management Incorporated which assigns them to jobs and assumes responsibility for their wages, social security withholdings, paid vacations and various fringe benefits.

THE GRADUATES were members of a class of 23, the second group to complete the course. They earned the money for their 2-day trip while still in training. But transportation was furnished by Edward Backoff, director of Household Management Incorporated.

Mrs. Willard Wirtz, honorary chairman of NCHE and Mr. Blackoff presented diplomas to the graduates.

"Your being here," Mrs. Wirtz said, "has a special meaning for us—you are living testimony to the faith we had when we organized our Committee in February 1965. It was our conviction that programs like yours, along with others promoted by our National Committee, could raise the status of household employment so that it is recognized among the skilled occupations."

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OTHER SPEAKERS were Mrs. Esther Peterson, assistant secretary of Labor for Wage and Labor Standards and Mrs. Mary Dublin Keyserling, director of the Women's Bureau.

Also participating in the program were Dr. Howard A. Matthews, Director, Division of Manpower Development and Training and the Bureau of Adult Vocational and Library Programs, Office of Education, HEW; Miss Ethlyn treasurer, Christensen, first chairman and Miss Dorothy Barko, first reeasurer of NCHE; Miss Dorothy Height, president, National council of Negro Women, and Mrs. Olga Margolia, executive director, National Council of Jewish Women, NCHE vice chairmen.

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THE NEW YORK project is one of seven MDTA pilot projects to upgrade household employment stadards and opportunities, announced by the Labor Department in March. While the projects train a limited number of workers, their primary objectives are to determine how new attitudes and methods can be developed to make Household employment a more attractive and rewarding occupation; how opportunities in this occupational field can be expanded, and the extent to which sponsoring organizations may require financial support to become self-sustaining.

Under an additional grant, NCHE is authorized to provide technical supervision, monitor the projects, form a liaison between the government and the projects, gather information relating to job developement, recruitment, counseling and placement of household service workers, and evaluate the total operation.

Lemoyne studies student demands during holiday

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — With the students gone for the holiday, the faculty and administration committee gathered at Lemoyne-Owen College Wednesday to discuss grievances that led to a brief takeover of two buildings on the college campus.

Dr. Hollis F. Price, school president, said while answers had been given students on a number of their demands, the committees still had to consider means of extending operating hours in campus buildings, lower tuitions, whether to change the calculation of grade point averages and how to revise the school's exchange program.

Price ordered the school closed for Thanksgiving a day early Tuesday after a small group, primarily nonstudent members of the Black United Front and other militant organizations, moved into and took over the school's administration and science buildings.

FOLLOWING A meeting in the student center, from which newsmen were barred, the group occupying the buildings withdrew.

There was no announced settlement, but Price told UPI he believed the holiday period would allow officials to consider the problem without a crisis atmosphere.

"It is my understanding," he said, "that everything is in abeyance until Monday."

A student spokesman, coed Frankietta Guinn, echoed Price's statement when she told newsmen that the students planned to wait until Monday before deciding what other action might be taken.

Judge rules U.S. is legally at war

RICHMOND — In what is believed to be a precedent-setting decision, a federal judge here last week ruled the United States is legally at war in Vietnam.

The decision from District Judge Robert Mehrige Jr. dismissed requests for release from active service by 96 New York State Reservists who claimed they were called to active duty illegally because no state of emergency existed.

Judge Mehrige, in a seven-page opinion, said in part:

"Wars may exist without a formal declaration of same . . . It is a matter of common knowledge that the Armed Forces of the United States are now, and have been for some time past, since 1964, engaged in a state of war in Southeast Asia. We have been and are presently being subjected to a state of armed hostilities."

It was believed to be the first time a federal judge has affixed the stamp of legality to the war.

The judge's decision would indicate that the state of war began when the U.S. Senate approved the Gulf of Tonkin resolution in the summer of 1964 at the request of President Johnson.

Critics of the war, notably U.S. Sens. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., and J. W. Fulbright, D-Ark., have contended the war is illegal.

The judge ruled in the case of 96 reservists from the 101st Service and Supply Co. of Schenectady, N.Y., and the 448th Army Postal Unit of New York City. Both units were stationed at Fort Lee, N.J., when their suits were filed. They have since been sent to Vietnam.

32 cadets get ROTC awards at Va. State

PETERSBURG — A group of 32 ROTC cadets were honored at a ceremony at Virginia State College recently.

Nine cadets received Distinguished Military Student certificates and 22 received Academic Achievement Award wreaths.

The Distinguished Military Student certificates cited each recipient for "outstanding qualities of leadership, high moral character, noteworthy academic achievement and exceptional aptitude for military service." Dr. Tucker and VSC vice president Walker H. Quarles Jr. presented the awards to:

Silas K. Herndon of Lynchburg, Henry B. Hunt of Merherrin, Hubert A. Nelson of Lawrenceville, Fred L. Sykes, of Emporia, James A. Wheeler, and Wayne Q. Williams of Newport News, Marion D. Wimberly and Maurice A. Wingfield of Richmond, and Kenneth L. Woodson of Burkeville.

THE ACADEMIC Achievement Awards were given for scholastic and academic achievements and for being rated in the top 10 per cent of military science classes in the past academic year. College officials presented the awards to: Faulcon Alsion of Hampton, David L. Booker of Dillwyn, Ernest L. Branch of Richmond, Roy C. Breedlove of Dryfork, James W. Carter Jr. of Covington, Stafford Conley of Lottsburg, Isaac W. Diggs of Zuni, John W. Drummond of Melfa, Morgan F. Hatten of Hobson, Henry J. Hill of Petersburg, Silas K. Herndon of Lynchburg, Hubert A. Jackson of Richmond, Melvin E. Langston of Portsmith.

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Also Kenneth E. Logan of South Boston, Ray McKenzie of Kentstore, Haywood L. Meade of Richmond, Arthur A. Piper of Warrenton, Delano L. Tucker, of Suffolk, Sterling H. Weaver of Emporia, Christopher Werle of Woodbridge, Wayne Q. Williams of Newport News, Rogers J. Woolfolk of Rutherglen and William H. Nelson J. Yazoo City, Miss.

Representation rises to 30 in Dixie state legislatures

ATLANTA (NPI) — The number of legislators elected to state legislatures in the South increased from 23 to 30 during the recent elections.

According to results obtained by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Alabama, Arkansas and South Carolina are the only Southern states that continue to lack colored legislators.

North Carolina and Florida will have colored persons in their legislatures for the first time since Reconstruction days.

Georgia which has 14 leads the other Southern states.

Tennessee has eight; Texas three; and Florida, North Carolina, Louisiana, Mississippi and Virginia, one each.

HERE IS a roundup of recent election gains:

— Georgia — New seats were won by Bobby L. Hill, James E. Dean and C. G. Ezzard. E. J. Shepherd replaced the Rev. J. D. Grier as state representative. Georgia will have 12 representatives and two senators.

— Tennessee — State Rep. J. O. Patterson was elevated to the Senate. Ira H. Murphy took Patterson's House seat. Avon Williams was also elected to the state Senate. James Taylor replaced O. W. Willis in the House, where Alvin King replaced Russell Sugarman. The state will have two senators and six representatives.

—Texas — It has two representatives and one senator.

— Florida — Joe Kershaw will be the first in the Florida Legislature in this century.

— North Carolina — Henry Frye elected first representative to state's General Assembly since Reconstruction days.

— Louisiana, Mississippi and Virginia — one state representative serves in each state.

Man caught in S.C. killing

CHARLESTON, S.C. (UPI) — Police in Charleston Thursday arrested a 23-year-old man on charges of murdering a port city service station attendant.

Earl Lawrence Robinson was taken into custody at his surburban home following a two-day manhunt by local and state authorities for the slayer of Walter L. Harper, 48.

Harper was shot to death early Wednesday by a man dressed in orange who abandoned his car and fled on foot.

LEVI WASHINGTON, 36, has been placed on the FBI list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives." He is charged with the 1967 robberies of three New Orleans banks, escaped from Federal custody at Cook County Jail in Chicago in August, 1968 and is described as a neat dresser, and considered a good artist, skilled in landscapes oils. (UPI Telephoto)

Having colored pals cost N. C. teacher her position

TAYLORSVILLE, N.C. — "I majored in Christian education and that's the main reason I was doing this.

"I have been brought up with colored people all my life and I've been taught people are people. I didn't think it made that much difference."

Miss Ann Collins, 23-year-old blonde teacher, gave that view last week of how she came to face an ultimatum from her superintendent to give up her association with colored friends or resign her job.

Miss Collins charges in a district court suit in Statesville that Alexander County School Supt. Dwight Isenhour called her into his office on Sept. 12 and termed her association with members of the colored community a "disgrace to the teaching profession."

The suit said her associations with the colored community was "embarrassing" to school officials.

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SUPT. ISENHOUR told the AFRO on Friday, "There's a great deal more to it than that".

He said he had acted "to save the young lady and others from embarrassment."

Supt. Isenhour denied he had said education was being embarrassed by Miss Collins but that she was "embarrassing the county board of education."

Because of the court hearing pending, Supt. Isenhour declined to go into details.

He conceded he had given Miss Collins the ultimatum of "disassociating with the colored community or resigning" in his office on Sept. 12. He said she "resigned of her own free-will" on Sept. 16.

Supt. Isenhour said his school district gets funds for education from the federal government. No racial discrimination is supposed to be tolerated when such funds are employed.

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MISS COLLINS formerly taught in the Happy Plains School for colored pupils.

This year she was transferred to the integrated Sugar Loaf High School.

The ultimatum came after she continued to return to the colored community where she previously had taught remedial reading.

She had attended services and meetings at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church and also the Third Creek and New Zion Baptist churches.

Miss Collins, a graduate of Catawba College, now teaches at Mooresville in nearby Iredell County.

She says she intends to fight her case through the courts.

Her parents, she said, "Are taking my side. They think it's ridiculous. Everybody seems to have that same opinion of it, that he (Isenhour) has made a fool of himself."

Miss Collins said her supervisor, Mrs. Ruth Wilson, who is with the remedial reading program in the county, was present in the superintendent's office when the ultimatum was given.

ALTHOUGH HER home is in Salisbury, she says she has not faced criticisms from neighbors due to the case.

The suit was feild on Miss Collins' behalf by Julius Chambers, of Charlotte, who is connected with the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

The suit askf that Miss Collins be reinstated to her former position.

It also asks that the county board be prevented from practicing discrimination based on race or color in its hiring and firing procedures."

The federal court suit also asks that Miss Collins be paid for lost time.

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Rowdies at football game gave all teens a bad name

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By MICHAEL BELFIELD

I'd like to start this week by commenting on the vandalism that took place after the City-Poly football game Thursday.

In my opinion what those few students who were too carried away by the City victory or too upset because of the Poly loss did was totally uncalled for.

What these students did was to give all of us a bad name. People begin to think that we don't know how to act.

I think a couple more incidents like this could not only kill the treasured City-Poly games in the future but stop Civic Center shows and dances at the different recreation centers, or ballrooms.

So I say to all of you Soul Brothers and Soul Sisters, keep your cool.

As for those drop-outs who have no connection with either school and do not care about the students, they should be dealt with like the ruffians they are.

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NOW FOR all the soul-socking dances around town this holiday. The two victory hops given by the two schools playing their 80th annual game turned out to be very successful.

The victory hop by the Knights of City College was held at the Civic Center. The featured group was the Monarchs who did their own thing" and sent the crowd wild.

The Poly dance was held in the school's cafeteria. It featured Baltimore's own fantastic Frankie and the Spindels.

The Spindels sang such hits as "Hello Young Lovers," "Candy," "Count to Ten," "Cowboys to Girls," "It Just Can't Stop Dancing" and really broke the crowd up with 'I Heard It Through the Grapevine.'

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I'D LIKE to wish Russell Harris a speedy recovery. For all of Russell's friends who would like to visit him he is in Johns Hopkins Hospital, the Children's Medical center on the ninth floor.

Congratulations to all Homecoming Queens especially Ruth Thomas of Edmondson and Beverly Jackson of Eastern High who was the Homecoming Queen of City.

A couple of swining hops were held at the YMCA and at the Hollins Recreation Center. The featured band at the YMCA dance was the Swordsmen.

The Sports Scene

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IN THEIR 80TH annual game the Knights of City defeated the Poly Parrots 26-6. The game was much better than the score indicates.

The Engineers put up a good fight but the play making and passing of Cecil Collier and the running of Gregory Wright was too much.

The two combined their skills to leave the Poly defense in shambles most of the day. The only bright spot in Poly's day was the running of David Jones.

The little halfback, with his fancy moves and grace ful sidestepping, broke through the City line for a couple of good gains and scored Poly's only touchdown with a diving catch.

Most spectators thought the game was well played and well coached. Among them were Paula Francis, Sara Crest, Delores Morton, Valerie Rose, Valavie Williams, Karen Dorsey, Danny Nelson, Brenda Brown;

Also Debra Smother, Johanna Hawkins, Sherman Coners, Gary Watts, John Cole, Kenneth Johnson, Mary Cole, Austin Sydnor, Pythias Jones, Carolina Cotton, Bernard Gibson, Gail Moses, Aubrey Jarrett, Wayne Wiggins, Jerry Richardson and Denise Gray.

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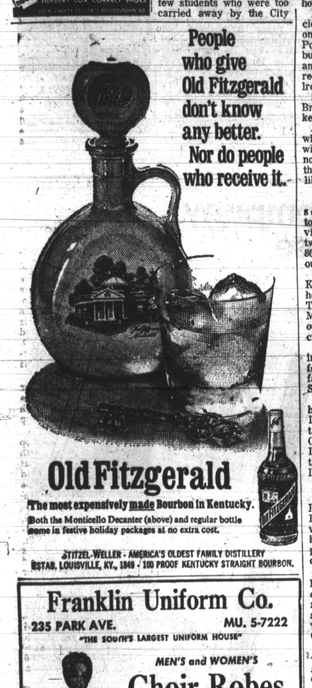

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Anti-semitism is work of extremists, Jews told

NEW YORK (UPI) — A civic leader told American Jews Sunday not to mistake the work of a few black extremists for a wave of Anti-Semitism.

Alexander J. Allen, Eastern director of the Urban Coalition, told a meeting of the American Jewish Congress that the "attack on Jews, verbally and physically, in what has been given the appearance of a wave of colored Anti-Semitism, is largely the work of black extremists and has no significant support in the colored population.

Jewish organizations, Jewish spokesmen and the Jewish press . . must recognize this and not be thrown off guard by the calculated incitements and provocations of black nationalists and separatists."

JEWS . . . this is the "occupied for so long the role of an . . . ity" that they now cannot see themselves as part of the power structure . . . and particularly in cities . . . this is the face and this is the way colored people and Puerto Ricans see it," Allen said.

He called the response of the Jewish community to . . . ing in New York's Ocean Hill-Brownsville district "hysterical."

It was a dispute in the Ocean Hill-Brownsville schools which touched off three strikes this term by the white-dominated United Federation of Teachers which includes a majority of Jewish members.

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KEEN TEEN SCENE

Those turkey blues can be mighty awful

By KAREN BANFIELD

Thanksgiving is over, but most of us haven't seen the last of that Thanksgiving turkey. It is getting tiring to see turkey popping into everything you eat.

Turkey and eggs for breakfast; turkey sandwich for lunch; and turkey soup and salad for dinner.

Before you know anything, Christmas is here and guess what you'll be having for dinner?

A Baltimore tradition on Thanksgiving has been for years the annual City-Poly football game.

Thousands of Baltimore Keen Teens braved cloudy skies and steady drizzle of rain to cheer the Black Knights and the Engineers.

Again City College captured the "A" Division championship by defeating Poly 26-6. Poly's single touchdown was made by David Jones, a hard-hitting senior.

This ends the high school football season of 1968 and to make sure it was out of sight, these are some of the people who helped the stadium swing:

Tony Hill, Debbie Brewington, Andre Hunt, Portia Brown, Debbi Kearse, Vanderlan Frink, Nathaniel Williams, George "Wolf" Young, Gregory Brewer, Chico Forte, Jimmy Woods.

Alan Kelley, Stephanie Winchester, Handsome Batts, Cynthia Thompson, Andrea Custis, Gail Thompson, Sharon Fisher, Donald Spencer, Mark Ford, Butch Harris, Janice Bowie, Jackie Ferrell, Adrienne Banfield, Alan Burkett, Larry Allen, Deaver Smith, Maurice Smith, Allinda Price, and a million more.

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MANY COLLEGE freshmen returned to the big "B" to reunite with old friends and compare notes.

Do you know any of these returning Keen Teens?

Tyrone Hill, Kansas State; Wendy Butcher, University of Pennsylvania; Laurie Butcher, Boston Univ.; Tony Hill, Howard Univ.; Karene McGlothern, George Washington Univ.; Saverne Hayes, Howard Univ.; Jackie Blackwell, George Washington Univ.; Eddie Watson, Hampton Institute;

Janice Bowie, Laverne Nichols, Marcia Porter and Cheryl Gregory, all of Howard University.

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I HOPE some of you seniors talked to some of those kids to get some idea of what the different schools are like. College catalogues are very helpful, but there is nothing better than talking to someone who actually attends the school.

They may give some tips on entrance exams and things that will help you. So, if you didn't think of this while the college kids were in town, call their homes, get their school addresses and write them.

Now that most report cards are out, I hear all these promises of bringing up those grades. Didn't I hear, that in September? Get down to those books, especially you seniors who have more tests coming up.

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AS YOU begin to make plans for your upcoming Christmas vacation, you may be inquiring about clubs and sororities sponsoring entertainment.

On Dec. 26, the Sigma Omega Kappa Sorority (SOKS) will hold its anniversary dance. It will be held at the Club Venus and will feature the Tempros to keep the place swinging.

This dance is being sponsored by the Gamma chapter of the sorority as its last annual dance. This means that next year, Baltimore will be having the SOKS annual dance given by the Delta Chapter. This is a new group of girls which will be presented by the Gamma chapter at the dance.

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