

Murray, Ky.
December 15, 1944

Dear Pogue:

Here is your Christmas present.... this letter. I wanted to send you something that you would enjoy, but I did not know what that would be, so decided that you would like to have a bit of gossip.

Hortin and his crowd are done here at the Ledger and Times office getting out the Christmas edition of the College News. You can remember when you were in on that crowd, can't you? I think my first recollection of you is in the College News office located where Mr. Smith's extension office is now. I reported for the Courier Journal and would go by the office for College stories. You always scared me. You were so perfect and formal that I feared of saying the wrong thing.....

And now I am brave enough to write you... It is funny how we impress people. There are those who think that I am stiff and indifferent. Of course I think that I am far from being that... I do confess that I am absent minded.... maybe that is what they mean.

We all enjoyed your letter. I presume that you will be reading it in your paper sometime before long. I hear so many nice things said about your writing. The letters contain so much news that we are interested in hearing. You are getting to be quite somebody-- being invited with the select few to attend those meetings that you mentioned. I will be afraid of you now... Or will I be honored to be an intimate friend of such a distinguished gentleman.... And be proud to say... I knew him in college... way back when....

We are working today on the next week's issue of the paper. It will be our Christmas edition. Advertisements are starting and the week promises to be a big one. There is not much to buy here, but everyone is getting what is on sale. I went to Louisville Tuesday night to attend the committee meeting called by Lyter Donaldson. Speaking of being exclusive I was only woman in the committee to draft the laws for the next four years of Democratic party workings. Four other men and Mr. Donaldson tried our hands at it. The state executive committee met the next day to pass on the resolutions and such, but because of a poor attendance, the meeting was adjourned until January 11. There is a little excitement about who is to be secretary for the next four years. Bob Humphreys has been, but he is overseas and his time has expired. So there will be some arrangements made about that. Harry Lee Waterfield and Dock Meecham, one of Tom Rhea's men are candidates.

You probably read in the paper that we have sold our house and have bought the Tom Morris home on North Fourth Street. We will be moving sometime this month.

I had a letter from Suzanne this week. She is still in Washington and seems to be liking her work fine. Ardath Cannon is quitting the picture show and going back to the College to teach in the science department.

Etta Beale Brant has resigned. Ann Heron, '37 graduate has been named to take her place.

Nat Ryan Hughes and his wife have adopted a baby from the hospital. Hilton Hughes and Mrs. Hughes have adopted one from up state hospital. That will be news to you, for you know both of the couples. Joe Lovett,

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still in uniform and on leave until March, is back at his old post with the ChainStore Council of the Mid South, is the Gatlin Building and at work with an office full of help. Laurine is not coming until Spring. Joe is staying with Elizabeth Ordway.

Hope you will have a merry Christmas this season. We will be thinking of you and wishing you well. We will be so glad when you can come home.

Write me as often as you feel that you can spare the time.

Sincerely,

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