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## SEMI-FORMAL BALL TONIGHT

### COLLEGE RECEIVES VALUABLE FOSSIL REMAINS.

The first vertebrate remains which indicate the presence of elephants in this state were found on the beach at Samoa by Ray Oglesby of Eureka shortly after the wreck of the Brooklyn. The article was brought to J. Wendell Howe of the Science department of Humboldt State Teachers College who took it to the department of paleontology at the University of California where it was found to be a part of the jawbone of the elephant Jeffersonia, an animal living during the Pleistocene. This animal, a transition between the mastodon which has a hairy skin, and the modern hairless skinned elephant, was according to estimates made at the university, about ten feet in height at the shoulders and had tusks which curled toward the center and upward. According to Henry Fairfield Osborn, foremost American paleontologist and a curator at New York Metropolitan Museum, this stock of elephants is thought to have originated in the southern part of Central Asia, at that time connected to North America by a land bridge, now covered by the Bering Straits. The animals migrated to the southern tip of South America. In North America there are known to have been four species of elephants at one time, one a mastodon, and the other three, true elephants, of which the remains found here are an indication. These were the largest animals which ever existed, and since they outlived their European relatives by thousands of years, the last of them were probably still here when man first migrated by this same route.

The presence of elephant remains here is not a complete indication that a tropical climate ever existed here, for the elephant has shown itself to be adapted to cold climates. These are the

### CHRISTMAS BALL TO BE GALA EVENT

Old Humboldt State will be swelling with glory and excitement on the eve of her first grand gala event of the year in the form of her first annual Christmas Semi-Formal Ball. A great period in Humboldt's social history will be enacted in the new gymnasium, Friday evening, December 11 at nine p. m.

According to committee chairman, Mrs. Nellist, the new gym has been chosen the most appropriate place for such a popular event. In the gym, where there will be more room than there has been during previous dances, Miss Nellist expects to fill to its capacity.

A giant tree lavishly decorated in mid-floor will fill the newly inaugurated ball with the spirit of Christmas. Holly and cyprus greens covering the wall flower benches will surround the hall. As soft, caressing melody from the Redbirds, intermingled with the sweet aroma of fir balsam should be enough to drive people to the ball from all corners of Humboldt County.

The ball is looked forward to be a gay event featuring its women adorned in their pastel shades exhibiting feminine beauty with a display of beautiful evening gowns flickering in and out about the blending colored lighting of the dance pavilion.

Paul Ely and his lighting crew will be busy at the ball in an effort to put the Christmas spirit into the room in the way of electric lights. A wonderful blending colored lighting system will be available for the dancers announced Mr. Ely early today. The most interesting of all a big surprise is promised to all attending the gala event. Whether the surprise be in the form of entertainment or otherwise, the Lumberjack has been requested to keep a part of

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# EDITORIALS

## THE GOVERNMENT

Some of us are a bit confused as to the extent and power of student self-government in H.C.T.C. Several ill-considered statements have found credence in some of our minds. There are a few who think that the administration is merely disguising its authority in the so-called show of student self-government, and there are still others who call the various executive officers "tools" of the faculty. This condition of affairs may have existed in the past, but it most certainly is not the case now.

A thoughtful perusal of the student self-government pledge will help to clarify any hazy conception we may have of the power and scope of our self-government. Also while we read, it may be well to remember that the executive officers of the student body are honor bound to enforce the letter and spirit of the following pledge:

**STUDENT SELF-GOVERNMENT PLEDGE.**  
 The very first qualification expected of Humboldt men and women consists in those attributes of good character essential to good citizenship. Honesty in academic work and personal conduct is taken as a matter of course. The College has manifested this confidence in the integrity of its students by placing the responsibility of those matters largely in their own hands under the Humboldt student self-government system. In keeping with this duty and as a means of more effectively carrying it out, Humboldt students are asked to sign the following pledge which is intended to explain the essential elements of the self-government system and to provide for self-elimination of unworthy students.

I agree to live up to the letter and spirit of the student self-government system by honesty in all my personal conduct and by accepting full responsibility as a participating citizen in all College affairs.

"I'll see you," said our hero, as he laid down four Aces in game of strip poker.

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The communist stood on the corner beating himself on the head with a club.

"Hey," interferred the cop, "What's the idea?"  
 "Well you see," he answered, "I've been out of town for a few days." --Nudley.

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Headlines in Oakland Newspaper read, "Burglar surprised by Bank official working late".  
 Who wouldn't be?

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Wife (to incoming husband):  
 What does the clock say?

Semi-Flattered Husband:  
 "It shays "tick tock," and doggies doggies shay "bow wow", and cows shay "moo moo", and little Pussy cats shay "meow meow". Now ya shatisfied?"--The Flamingo

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The Jones law has come to nothing but light finds and Jeers.

When a fellow needs a friend  
 Putting Up a One Man Top--  
 Instead of her old "boy" friend  
 Alice now has a friend.

## FILIPINO PROBLEM DISCUSSED.

Miss Felicidad Austria returned Monday morning from San Francisco where she spent the Thanksgiving holidays and the week following. While there she attended the preliminary meeting of the Filipino Community Organization which was held for the purpose of raising funds and making plans for the first convention of this organization to be held on December 27, 28 and 29. Miss Austria will be a delegate to this convention, which is held for the purpose of discussing problems concerning Filipinos here in the state.

In order to raise funds for the convention, a contest has been in progress since September for the purpose of electing a queen. According to the results just announced, Miss Austria placed fourth in the contest.

# ABOUT THE CAMPUS

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First vertebrate remains ever to be found on this part of the coast, the nearest ones being found at Terra's two years ago.

The tooth, which is at least 20,000 years old, probably came from Trinidad and where the Eocene strata comes down to the coast at the water line. From here it may have been carried southward by the strong littoral currents, and deposited at Camoc, where it lay buried until the storm which wrecked the Brooklyn caused it to be uncovered and thrown upon the beach.

The tooth, which is eight inches in length and three and one-half inches in width, resembles that of a modern horse and is probably from the left side of the upper jaw. Both the roots and the grinding surface are visible. The dentine has been replaced by a quartz material and the rest of the tooth is fossilized.

Mr. Howe, as well as other members of the staff, welcomes any material of this sort and wish to encourage the bringing in of interesting discoveries. The tooth will be placed in the college museum and used in teaching.

ACTIVITY TO BE GIVEN DEC. 16.

The date for "The Nativity" the Christmas pageant sponsored by the dramatic workshop has been changed from Monday, December 18, because of the delay caused by the absence of Miss Lucy McLane, director of the workshop.

Although Miss McLane has been absent from school for almost two weeks, rehearsals for the pageant have been held every evening under the student direction.

The girls in the angel chorus are rehearsing under the direction of Francis McKay of the music department. Paul Ely, stage manager, has been building the stage set, and it is now completion.

The Nativity is being given by college students while another pageant will be given by the elementary school on December 15.

The Bacon Song: "Liver Come Back to Me."



The greatest speed recorded with any attempt at accuracy is that of two species of swifts in India timed by E. G. Stuart-Baker with stop watches over a two-mile course. He reports them as travelling at the rate of 171 and a fraction miles per hour.

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You cannot count to a trillion. Had Adam counted continuously from his creation to the present day he would not have reached that number, for it would take him over 9,512 years. At the rate of 200 words a minute, there could be counted 12,000 words an hour, 288,000 a day, and 105,120,000 a year. These figures apply only to a person counting one figure at a time, or by "ones."



Leon P. Fredenyer is credited with having trundled a wheelbarrow from San Francisco, Cal., to New York in 7 months and 16 days. He arrived in New York, July 24, 1879.



There is enough energy in a teaspoon full of water to drive a ship across the Atlantic.

JENKIN TO BE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

How many students realize that Harold Jenkin, member of the college football team, is going to take office as superintendent of schools of DeWitt County in January? Jenkin was elected at the primaries in August and has been enrolled here since September.



## BRANSTETTER WINS LEAGUE OPENING

### RESPONSE TO MASCOT CONTEST.

The Humboldt Mascot contest started off with a bang Thursday December 4, with a total of nine contributions for the first day. This was considered a good turn-in for the initial day, considering the difficulty of the nature of the contest. However, the good record set by the first day's return failed to keep up its pace. The contest took a disheartening drop the second day, only yielding two contributions, and the third day, brought no contributions from the student body.

The Humboldt Lumberjack wishes to impress upon the students of the College the importance of selecting the proper mascot. It should be a certain pride felt by each student to want to be the originator of the emblem that will be carried by the college to the end of its days. Each student should feel it as a duty to himself and to the college to contribute to a cause in which his college expects his service.

It also may well be emphasized that in order that this college may have a name, it is willing to offer to the winner of this contest a prize which he or she will be proud to possess. Let's go, get behind and push for the college, push for its mascot, and let's have contributions from the men, women and faculty.

### TUMBLING CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED.

A girl's Tumblers Club will be formed at Humboldt State Teachers College under the leadership of Maxine Gould and Helpha Cannon. The following girls have signed up:

Evelyn Fielding, Alice Renfroe, Maxine Gould, Helpha Cannon, Grace Cochrane, Ruth Carson, Carmen Lita Alward, Elsie Blasco, Irene Russell, Barbara Sturrock, Gertrude McKoom, Hazel Christensen.

The purpose of the club is to develop interest in tumbling among the girls.

### HUMBOLDT LEAGUE IN FULL SWAY.

Humboldt State Teachers College's Peanut Basketball got under way officially Tuesday noon when Cliff Branstetter's squad took a fast and furious 19 to 14 contest from Benny Marshall's team.

Branstetter held a slim lead throughout most of the tussle and trailed only for a short time in the final period when Paten-gude, the fighting frog from Franco, got loose and exhibited the calibre of basketball he is capable of playing and sank four points. This lead was short-lived, however, as Brandy's team rallied and re-took the advantage and held it until the final whistle. Marsh 11 went out on fouls in the closing minutes of play or the verdict might have gone another way. Haven Howatt the big star from Durka, was also the big star from Humboldt when he ran wild all over the court, sinking a total of seven field goals.

The second contest was played yesterday noon before an enormous assemblage of persons, nearly the entire student body of the college and of the training school turning out en masse to (Continued on PP. 6, Col 1.)

### HUMBOLDT CO-EDS WIN CAGE VICTORY

The Humboldt State girls swung into action Tuesday evening, defeating the Durka Night School 25 to 8. Capt. in Al Renfroe and "Christie" Christensen had their eyes and tossed in twenty-three points between them. The defensive work of Huber and Cameron, guards, was outstanding, while Hanson and Cottrell in center played good ball.

The starting line-ups and scores were as follow:

Humb 1st, 25	Night School, 8
Renfroe, 13	F D. Iv nich, 8
Winter	F Grunmerli
Kason	C Armstrong
Cottrell	D Z. Iv nich
E. Cameron	G E. Cameron
Christensen 100	Hanson

# HITTING THE HIGH SPOTS



AT THE  
SEN BALL

## FACULTY ENJOY CUSTOLS OF THE NINETIES.

An old-fashioned party was held by the H. S. T. C. faculty in the new gymnasium Friday evening Dec. 5. The members of the faculty and their guests appeared in costumes of about 1870-1890.

An old-fashioned quartette sang: "When You and I were Young, Maggie", "Seeing Nellie Home", "Little Brown Church". The members of this quartette were: soprano--Mrs. Marie Clarke Ostrander; alto--Belle Dickson; tenors--Leo Schussmann and Horace Jenkins; bass--C. Edward Graves. They were accompanied by an old-fashioned orchestra composed of Piano--Mrs. Dorothy Pierce and violin--Francis LeKey.

Square dances, round dances, and Happy is the Miller were danced to the tunes of "Captain Jenks" and "Turkey in the Straw". Laura Herron, of the physical education department, had charge of the dancing.

Charades and other old fashioned games were played. A box supper was partaken of by the guests. Homer Balkanis of the social science department, was the auctioneer, and auctioned off the boxes.

The members of the faculty social committee which arranged the party were: Mr. Harry Mac Ginitie, chairman; Mrs. Emily Graves, Mrs. Marie Clarke Ostrander and Mr. Horace Jenkins.

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The workers in the College Commons will soon have complete uniforms of yellow and white. Most of the workers now have their yellow uniforms with white trimming and Miss Ellen Johnson is making their headbands of white organdie with yellow edging.

## East-Side Ball (Cont. from 11.1)

its many secrets.

Chairman Kas Nellist and her Dance Committee of six have put forward every effort in making this coming event a great success. Now all they request is a 100 percent whole-hearted support of the student body to make this "answered dream" the greatest of all dances. Much credit is due to committee chairman, Kas Nellist, Clarence Hilotte, advertising manager, Irvin Japson, Frank Endert, Kathryn Duffy, and Clyde Patencude, decorations and Paul Ely, lighting.

## EAST SIDE BRAWL IS BIG SUCCESS.

Various readings in the Jewish dialect by James Usher and tap dances by Wayne Overholser and Haven Howett featured the program of the "Boiler-Makers' Brawl" held by Literati 1st Thursday evening in the college commons.

The commons was decorated to represent an establishment on East Side. In some cases, boxes were substituted for chairs, and paper was used for a table cloth. Light was furnished by candles stuck in various types of bottles.

Everyone appeared in a costume typical of East Side characters.

Needle soup, frankfurters and sauer kraut, baked potatoes, macaroni salad, rolls, and apple pie with cheese made up the menu.

Dancing was engaged in between courses of the dinner and until 9:30.

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## BRIDGE PARTY HELD.

Ivy Cartwright entertained at her home in Breck, last Thursday night with a bridge party.

During the evening Dorothy Jones sang, and Marjorie Mitchell danced the Highland Fling.

witness the royal game between Ted and Howard Gregerson, which the former won by a score of 5 to 3. Ted proved that he had no best four man team of the two men each team played the first tournament shot without incidently make a tied score when three of his men got their finger at sank three field goals to take the game. Marion McFarland was the scoring ace of the contest, caging a total of six markers.

A game was played on Monday noon and was declared illegal because Gregerson substituted for Quintrell on the winner's team and it was decided that inasmuch as he was a captain of another team already that it was not altogether proper for him to lend his services to another squad in the place of an absent player. Brantley won the game from Dorby by a 15 to 7 score.

The first round will be run out this week with the game played in Monday to be re-played on Friday. The second round, and finale, will be played next week.

#### FRESHMEN COORINATION.

Freshmen on entering a large university usually have a strange lost feeling—a feeling of timidity, backwardness, a half-frightened sensation. They may be afraid, and yet there is a great possibility that they are exceptionally glad to be in College. College sophomores and Seniors of Humboldt feel certain that entering freshmen never witness the big college sensations. Why? That seems to be the great question before the various organization and discussion groups of this college; the problem of entering Freshmen; their activities, interests and desires. How shall they be met? The only means of meeting them is through an organization of the class and student body in a large promulgator Fresh assembly. Here activities may be outlined to the Freshmen and definite duties and participations of each individual may be assigned. In this manner, the freshmen will become interested in some extracurricular activities which, in the long run will tend to build up this institution with a high rating.

How to get an automobile cheaply on installment plan and run over collector.

#### SUNSET HALL TO OPEN T.L.

In rooms decorated with Christmas boughs and greenery, the girls of Sunset Hall were hostesses yesterday between the hours of four and six at a tea given in honor of Mrs. Arthur Gist and Mrs. Dr. Gertrude Pierce. During the afternoon many invited guests and students and faculty of the college were entertained. Mrs. Jessie Woodcock presided at the table.

This was the first affair of this kind attempted by the girls and they all worked hard to make it a success. Each girl was on a committee or had a special task assigned to her.

#### BLOWHOLE COME OF INTEREST.

Several college students accompanied by Harry McGinitie of the Science Department visited "Spouting Cave", commonly called "The Blowhole", near Moonstone Beach Saturday. Water has been seen to spout from the fissure during a new moon high tide.

Mr. McGinitie says this cave is well worth seeing and hopes that some of the college students or faculty will make the trip to "The Blowhole" during the next high tide. The tides are now reported to be at their highest of the year, often reaching an eight foot level. "The Blowhole" is at the first "lookout" turn north of Moonstone.

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY TO BE HELD.

The Arctic Women's Club will hold their annual Christmas Carol Party in the Social Unit of the college Monday afternoon December 15 at 2:30. Miss Inogene Platt and Mrs. Marie Clarke Ostrander will be hostesses.

The children of the third and fourth grades of the College Elementary School will give a play, "Christmas in Other Lands" There will then be community singing with Mrs. Ostrander as leader.

The program will be followed by a tea.

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Harry McGinitie of the H.C. T.C. science Department is planning to attend a meeting of the Western Division of the Association for the Advancement of Science at Stanford University on Monday and Tuesday December 22 and 23.