

To Break From the Weekend Routine—

Let Imagination Be Your Guide

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YOUR weekend is what you make it. Whether you date every night or are staying in this quarter, you can have a good time. It's up to you. Don't let a hum-drum routine of movies and listening to the radio get you down. Do something about it!

There are things to do every weekend. Even if you aren't the school's best bowler, how about bowling either in the Union or downtown? You'll find it's lots of fun once you try.

For less expensive pastimes the college social office plans programs especially for students. On Friday nights this quarter and next the organized houses and dormitories are competing in variety shows. All students are welcomed. And if you don't have a date, go anyway.

If you're getting tired of the usual Friday night movie or fireside date, try the Union Nightclub. Everyone who has been there claims it's an evening of fine entertainment. If Sunday afternoons drag, the college music department is trying to change your outlook. In the spring, concerts, as well as special programs by the college quartette, are planned just for you.

Kitchen Party

And don't overlook the fun of a kitchen party. Every now and then it's quite a treat. With your house-mother's okay have a little home cooking some Saturday night in your hall kitchen. Even grilled cheese sandwiches are a specialty when you make them yourself. You might go so far as to show off your culinary ability with a batch of taffy. Let the gang get sticky—they'll love it.

For an extra special occasion, maybe once a quarter, why not take a little trip to Des Moines? Just the change of scenery will do lots for your morale. What you spend when you get there is up to you. Round trip transportation is under \$2. The Sunday afternoon musicals or other theatrical programs featured there are special favorites of students.

Widow's Club

Saturday nights can be mighty lonesome for the women who are staying in—with pin or ring ties elsewhere. Why not organize a small bridge club? It might not be the most exciting Saturday night you'll spend, but you won't be bored. And if you're dating, Saturday night bridge games are relaxing now and then. It's a grand way to spend an evening with married friends.

Our grandmothers used to gather for a quilting bee from time to time. It was a chance to chat as well as tat. The modern counterpart is a knitting spree. If your pin mate or fiancée is away, organize a session of knitting among the other "widows." Married women can get the girls together and drop a stitch or two when the husbands gather for a stag smoker.

Outdoor activities like hunting squirrel, ice skating, a hike through the woods after the first snow or a

snowman-building contest are yours for the asking.

When the weather outside is frightful, a cozy fireplace beckons. If you're lucky enough to have one, try popping some pop corn over the open fire.

College married couples can reserve the Pammel Court nursery for an evening of fun. Did you ever try a good old-fashioned square dance for an evening of diversion?

Parlor Games

Everyone likes contests. Parlor games like guessing famous persons from their photographs (clipped from magazines and newspapers) give the group a chance to show its talents. Or let them try their skill at "twin-matching." You can find lots of twin pictures in the newspapers. Bring out hidden artistic talents by giving a clay-modeling party or liven things up with a team game in which each team has to guess the title of a song from clues sketched by one team member.

When ideas run low for an evening of inexpensive fun, go back to some of those forgotten games you played as grade-schoolers. Remember how fascinating monopoly, dominoes and "cootie" were when you played them at birthday parties? Then there's the old standby, pin the tail on the donkey.

It all adds up; let your imagination go, and you'll find more than enough ideas to fill every free night. You don't have to pay a lot in order to have a good time. Don't be afraid to find some new amusements—break away from the fad entertainments.

Iowa State women with interests elsewhere meet together for Saturday night bridge games. Charades and other old-fashioned amusements get them into the spirit of things—just for fun

