

## Sportscope

By Bob Detisch

This year's Behrend Center athletic program, under the direction of Mr. Milton Simon, men's physical education instructor, promises to appeal to all of the Behrend undergraduates. This is Mr. Simon's first year as physical education teacher; however, he brings with him an outstanding and varied sports background. He emphasized though that the bulk of the athletic program will be determined by the students; that is, it will be their responsibility to inaugurate the tournaments and the intramural competitions of special interest to them. If enthusiasm is expressed, Mr. Simon will help to organize the activities.

A tentative program began Monday, September 27, with the news that there will be a men's singles table tennis tournament. Any male student, be he freshman or sophomore, is eligible to enter. If you haven't signed up, do so right away. When all candidates have signed, competing pairs will be announced, and the play-offs will begin. Girls won't be slighted in these table tennis tournaments, as girls' singles games will follow the men's. Finally, the mixed doubles will end the competition with the winners' names listed.

A notice announcing the formation of a six-man touch football tournament has also been posted. An afternoon schedule for these matches is to be arranged, and the promise of a great deal of fun and exercise for the players should arouse interest. To form one of these teams, do this: get seven or eight players together (one or two substitutes); give the team a name; appoint a manager; then have the manager enter the team in the tournament. In-

structions will be given by Mr. Simon.

Finally, in the way of sports. Behrend will again have a varsity basketball team. Any freshman or sophomore is eligible for membership. If basketball is one of your favorite sports, try out for the varsity squad. Mr. Simon hopes to schedule games with such teams as Grove City, Altoona, Allegheny, Edinboro, Slippery Rock, and Thiel.

Organization of other activities like boxing, pinocle, wrestling, checkers, shuffle board, and badminton may be started if enough students show a preference toward them. Remember that the athletic program is largely dependent on the students. They must take the initial step. Inform Mr. Simon of your choice and he will do everything possible to see that the program is carried out.

Participation in athletics is not limited to just those in actual competition. Officials will be necessary for the numerous tournaments, particularly touch football which will begin as soon as the teams are organized. If, for some reason, you can not participate in sports, this is your opportunity to help. Managers for the varsity basketball are also needed. To every team, moral support means a lot. Girls can help by being cheerleaders or by going to watch the games. The spirit of the cheering can often mean the difference between victory and defeat. The team can feel, too, that it's worth while to play.

Inclination toward any of these positions should be revealed to Mr. Simon. He won't mind the stampede; in fact, he would be happy to be swamped by offers of help. Since the programs are for the student benefit, let's make it one of which we can be very proud.

## First Impression Of Behrend Center - -

By Natalie Kobasa

Campus excitement fills the Behrend atmosphere as the Fall term rolls around once more. Getting prepared to establish a different life and meeting new friends is quite an experience. Sometimes falsehoods are built up in a person's mind before arriving at college about friends and campus activities.

The impression of college life may be overestimated if life at home was rather boring. Also, looking at the same point in another sense, the impression of college life may be underestimated if life at home was full of social activity with no studying or work to do.

The instructors here are so well qualified for their positions that it makes you feel as if you are on the main campus. Also, since Behrend is a small college, it gives the professors a better chance to get to know the students and, in turn, gives the students the same advantage.

On arrival, the average student finds Behrend Center homey and relaxed. One of the nice things about Behrend is its location. Set back from the main road, it has all the privacy of a summer resort. It is not too near town where traffic and noise is disturbing. On the other hand, the Center didn't remind me of the stately strength that an established University should have.

There are not many buildings such as fraternity or sorority houses, but Erie Hall is one of the most attractive buildings on campus. It makes the ideal spot for some fun and night life and

is perfect for a big party or dance. A perfect replica of the earlier days can be found in the library. There are wagon wheels for chandeliers, an oxen yoke lines each wall to give it a rustic appearance, and the old-fashioned fireplace gives it a feeling of warmth and cheerfulness.

The symbols found on the outside of the buildings above each door are to protect any hex or danger from entering. The dorm suites are very comfortable and remind you of your own room at home. The china and antique seem to add charm to the dorm. The whole structure of the dorm is very odd but unique and original with its narrow halls, old-fashioned door knobs, and alcove ceilings.

It is very easy to make friend because the college is small. It is almost impossible to pass anyone without speaking because of the "Hello Spirit." The initiation rules are a lot of fun and the freshmen seem to enjoy the old customs. Going through all the trouble of trying to keep up with the regulations and paying penalties is quite a problem, but is a very good pastime between classes.

If it hadn't been for the superior and well-organized land given to us by the Behrends, Behrend Center could never have developed into the college that it is today. The great contrast between Behrend Center and the average college is different in many ways, but is still original enough for the students to get the full enjoyment and advantage of college and campus life.

## Compy's Cuties

That motley crew of girls that were seen striking out for the nature trail wasn't the local Campfire Girls. They were just Compy's physical education class starting their gym work for the fall semester. Nothing exciting happened except that Bobbie Johnston got wet feet trying to miss the water. Slipping around on acorns and twigs was poor Sally Stauffer. All who went on this great excursion survived with only a few aches and pains.

Compy has outlined the grave schedule for the vigorous girls who are going to try to co-ordinate those soft, flabby muscles. Many strong scales along with extra short measuring tapes were needed when Compy's cuties started their annual weighing-in and measuring-out process.

Girls, do you walk like apes, or sit like pillows? If you do, Compy will teach you the correct fundamentals of good posture. At the end of eight weeks Compy will have a tea at which the gals will demonstrate all they have learned about the social graces to the office workers, the faculty wives, and the sophomore girls.

Then, too, those calisthenics which cause the weaker feminine sex so much trouble, are part of the slimming down process. Quite a few of the girls have become adept at the art of touching their toes, doing pushups, and performing some of the other crazy exercises that will make them trim and fit.

As always, during this type of course, a few accidents manage to happen. A little rip sometimes leads to an enormous tear, and then the snickers and giggles burst into roars. Prancing around the gym in high heels generally causes a riot, especially when the gals have on their dashing dungarees or shorts. The effect is out of this world, and rightfully should be.

Who else, but our own Val Meals looked real gone in her bobby sox and heels. Bobbie Champney and Janie Brown committed the unpardonable sin of forgetting their equipment. There's a couple in every crowd.

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## Off and On the Campus

Your reporter is hard at work once again to bring you news about little things that happen in the daily lives of the students.

Freshmen customs, the main subject of discussion around Behrend, will soon come to an end. This startling statement is probably a great relief to many of the suffering frosh. Oh, well, take solace in this, dear freshmen: next year it will be your turn, and revenge is so, so sweet!

Summer shorts: Lois Owens attended Erie Commercial College this past summer, while Hugh McClinton enjoyed himself during his week's vacation in Canada. The rest of the three months, Hugh was quote: "a beach bum" unquote. Don Catlin pumped gas and wiped windshields in a service station, while Reid Yapple went one step further. He bought a service station at 26th and Holland St.

The Perry Plaza proved a daily stopping place for Harvey McIvor. He was employed by the A & P store there. Charlotte Flack-lucky girl—served as a counselor at a girl's camp in Canada for five weeks. Jack Churchill attended the summer session at Behrend and still had time to hunt mountain lions during his stay in Denver, Colorado. Jack has a mighty nice bull whip that he brought back with him as a souvenir.

Joe Schmitt and Ray Metz traveled to Auburn, New York to visit Lou Laube, a former student at Behrend Center. Fran Vidil spent the summer in Connecticut, where she worked in Goldstrom's grocery store. Bob Yeager helped

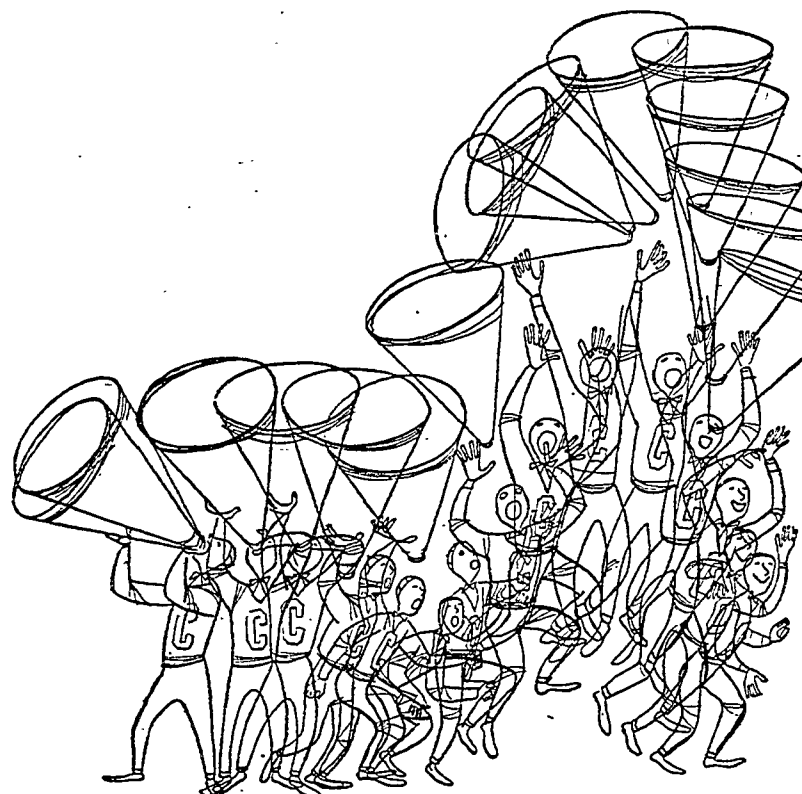
his father. His father didn't work either.

A glance at the bulletin board will reveal that a number of clubs are being formed. Since this year's enrollment is the highest in Behrend's seven year history, support for these clubs and organizations should not be lacking. Students of Behrend, unite! You have nothing to lose but your ennui.

The record hop, a dance sponsored by the freshmen class, was held on September 24. The attendance was rather meager, but among those attending were: Jan Jackson, Lois Owens, Ray Metz, Nancy Johnston, Bob Heater, Joe Schmitt, Bob Yeager, Mary Jane Brown, Natalie Kobasa, Jack Churchill, Ed Grossman, Pat Metzger, Pat Stocker, Jerry Sandelstein, Bill Storer, Jim Lay, and Dick Cooper. The dances are dependent on your attendance. Y'all come, Y'hear.

Around Behrend: The student lounge was really packed last week. The attraction? Why, the World Series, of course. Classes and studies were forsaken as King Baseball reigned supreme. Fortunately, this annual fall malady lasts only a short time, and order should be restored without too much difficulty until next year.

Did you see the length of the bookstore line? Wow! Line-standing seemed the top attraction until the books were obtained. Anyway, it gave the students a common gripe, and the chance to get to know some of their fellow complainers. Mother said that there would be days like these.



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