

# Record Crowd Is Expected for Homecoming

## Dramatics Club Completes Plans For Fall Drama

By Bob Detisch

The Behrend Center Players under the direction of Mr. Lane, instructor of English and German, will present "Night Must Fall," a psychological murder mystery, on the nights of November 17, 18, and 19 at 8:15 p. m., in Erie Hall. The prices of the tickets will be 75c for students and \$1.20 for adults.

Story of the play:

"Dan is a bellboy in a resort hotel remotely located in Essex, England. Having seduced Dora Parkoe, a maid at Mrs. Bramson's home, Dan is summoned to the Bramson cottage.

"Such is his charm that Mrs. Bramson is immediately taken with him, adding him to her household servants. The murder of a guest at the hotel is traced to Dan by Olivia, an unhappy niece of Mrs. Bramson's who elects to shield the boy.

"Dan, grateful but powerless in the grip of his homicidal instincts, plots the murder of Mrs. Bramson for her money. The police take him away to be hanged, leaving Olivia relieved but desolate."

The play was written by the English playwright, Emyln Williams, who first played the role of Danny on the New York stage.

"Night Must Fall" also was presented as a movie several years ago with Robert Montgomery and Rosiland Russell playing the leading roles. This movie was the first in a long series of Hollywood psychological thrillers.

The Behrend Thespians have spent many hours in preparation for this production. This play, the only one which will be offered this semester, is certain to provide a memorable evening of enjoyment, pleasure, and entertainment to all who attend.

## Council Chooses Lounge Furniture

By Jack Rimp

The student lounge will soon be greatly improved by the addition of much needed furniture, through the facilities provided by Penn State. Recently, Norma Michael, Jim Culbertson, Sam Wallwork and Mr. Kochel, administrative head, went to Trask. After much consideration, they finally chose a suite that was both serviceable and stylish.

The furniture is constructed of ash wood and artfully twisted and marked to resemble bamboo. The covering is of a plastic material, and now the committee is deciding on an appropriate harmonizing color.

A couch, two chairs, a settee, and end tables are the articles that were picked as most needed. The furniture should be placed in the lounge within the next month and should provide a greatly welcome change.

## Students Prepare Banquet Setting



Sophomore boys aren't slouches! In the picture above, they are learning the fine art of setting a banquet table with silver and china. Paying close attention to Jan Jackson are (left to right)—Joe Schmitt, Ron Cionco, John Churchill, Bob Yeager, and Bob Detisch.

## Mr. Kochel Gives Speech At Banquet

One of the special activities of homecoming weekend at Behrend Center will be the homecoming banquet. The banquet will be held downstairs in Erie Hall, at 6:30, on Saturday, November 13. Mr. Kochel, administrative head of Behrend Center, who will sit at the head table, will welcome the old alumni with an opening speech.

The menu for the banquet will include: Roast turkey, Cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, tossed garden salad, tomato juice, carrots and peas, apple pie, and coffee or milk. The food will be provided by the Behrendt Restaurant of Erie.

Herb Hanson, chairman of the banquet committee, and Mr. Gordon L. Baker, faculty advisor for the homecoming weekend, expect the assembled group of alumni, faculty, and students to number at least a hundred people. During the banquet, favors will be given to all who attend for remembrances of the 1954 traditional reunion of Behrend Center. "A fitting conclusion to the homecoming banquet will be the songs "A Prayer for Thanksgiving" and "Falling in Love with Love" sung by the Behrend Center choral group under the direction of Mr. Hover, instructor of languages and music.

## HOMECOMING EVENTS!

### FRIDAY

8:00 P. M.—Reception of alumni in the Memorial Room.

### SATURDAY

1:00 P. M. — Basketball game (Alumni vs. Students) in Erie Hall.

6:30 P. M.—Banquet supper in basement of Erie Hall.

8:00 P. M.—Homecoming dance (Coronation of Queen)

### SUNDAY

1:00 P. M.—Farewell to alumni.

## Alumni Arrive At Behrend

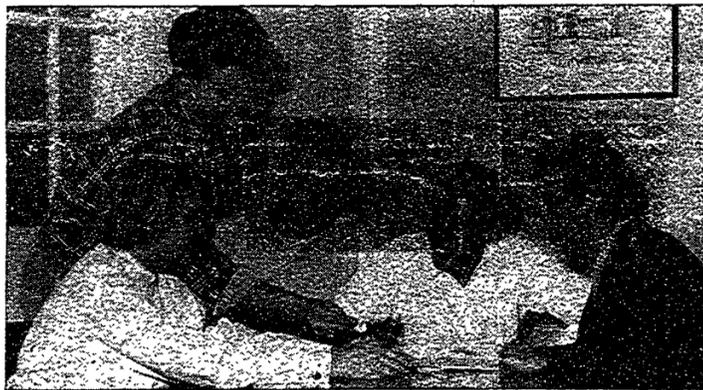
### For Sixth Annual Reunion

Behrend Center's traditional homecoming will be held this year on Nov. 12, 13, and 14, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday respectively. The sophomores, who will handle the details for the weekend, and Mr. Baker, faculty advisor for the event, have announced the schedule of activities for the annual occasion.

The beginning of the sixth annual homecoming festivities will be ushered in on Friday evening at 8:00. At this time, a reception in the Memorial Room will be held to welcome the early arrivals and to give the alumni and the present students a chance to get acquainted. Presiding over this reception will be Jim Culbertson, president of the student council.

The round of events, planned by the various committees, will officially start the following afternoon, Saturday. At 1:00, in Erie Hall, the annual basketball games between the alumni and the students will commence. As always, the girls will begin the athletic trials, followed by the Behrend's

## Committee Approves Petitions



Studying one of the pictures submitted in the homecoming queen contest are the committee chairmen, left to right—Jan Jackson, publicity; Jack Rimp, queen contest; Bob Brandt, and Tom Vieira, co-chairmen of homecoming; and Ron Cionco, band.

## Co-Eds Submit Contest Photos

By Diane Fagan

On Wednesday, November 10, the homecoming queen of Behrend Center was chosen by popular vote of the student body, at an assembly held for that purpose. The ballots were written and were submitted to the queen contest committee, Jack Rimp, Joe Schmitt and Bob Brandt. The committee counted the ballots, and the names of three girls selected as princesses were announced.

The three girls will reign over all the homecoming festivities. At the coronation ball on Saturday, November 13, one of the girls will be chosen queen and the other two will be her attendants.

This is the first time in the history of the Center that a queen has been chosen. Any girl, dormitory, speech clinic, or commuter, could compete for this honor. Each girl submitted a petition signed by ten students and a picture of herself. Mr. Patterson, instructor of math, was the official photographer for the girls.

The pictures of the entrants were on display for two days previous to the balloting.

## Heads Reveal Future Changes

Mr. Kochel, administrative head, and Mr. Campbell, assistant administrative head, have revealed that the students of Behrend Center will witness many changes around the campus in the very near future.

At the present moment, the administration has submitted plans to the Pennsylvania State University for an additional classroom. Although the plans are still pending approval from Penn State, dimensions for the new classroom have been drawn. The estimated area, which will take up approximately one-third of the storage space on the second floor of the classroom building, is roughly 16 ft. by 30 ft. When the design for the classroom meets with approval, the possibility of relieving crowded conditions caused by increased enrollment will be realized.

As a result of a gift from Dorothea Conrad, Erie Hall will be acoustically treated. A company has been contacted to do the work. An encouraging prospect of the installation is that the acoustical tiles have already been purchased.

men's varsity team opposing former stars of the Center court. These contests should arouse great interest among the fans of either side, who will be lustily cheering their respective teams on to victory.

Saturday evening, in the recreation room, the visitors and the students will seat themselves at the banquet table for a tasty supper. After the banquet, they will spend the remainder of the evening dancing to the melodious strains of Gayle Brown's Orchestra.

The decor for the dance will be relatively simple. It will be based primarily on a coronation theme, honoring Behrend's homecoming queen, whose coronation will take place at the dance. Midnight will mark the conclusion of Saturday's activities.

The alumni will depart to their various destinations on Sunday to look forward to next year's homecoming, while Behrend's students will return to their studies and books until Thanksgiving vacation.

The sophomore committees who have worked very hard toward a successful and remembered homecoming are: Bob Brandt and Tom Vieira, who acted as co-chairmen of the affair; Dennis Polatas, decorations chairman; Jan Jackson, publicity chairman; Carl Anderson, program chairman; Ron Cionco, who secured the band for the dance; Jack Rimp, queen contest chairman; and John Gott, cleanup chairman.

The introduction of these tiles will be of great aid to the dramatic and speech activities that take place in Erie Hall.

A welcome addition to the family of automotive equipment is a new 1955 Chevrolet ton and a half pick-up truck purchased from Anderson Motor Sales, Inc., in Fairview. This truck is green and is equipped with a hydraulic lift snowplow which will be used for clearing the snow off the roads. Behrend Center has also purchased a snowplow attachment for the power lawn mower which will be used for clearing off the walks.