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## Easter Play To Be Held March 22

### Publication of Yearbook Underway

The Yearbook Staff, headed by Cindy Hawkins and under the direction of Mr. Norman Patterson, has recently sent in sixteen pages to their publishers, the American Yearbook Company, for publication. This is the first of many deadlines which the BITS OF BEHREND Staff will have to meet for the publication of the 1959 yearbook.

The yearbook associates found themselves faced by varied problems involving the compilation of line. Since an off-set method of production is used, these problems involved the compilation of a dummy, arrangement of layout, scheduling of pictures, and writing and re-writing copy.

This year's staff exclaims that, "The '59 BITS OF BEHREND will be the best ever published." They also have the distinction of inaugurating a new feature of yearbook activities, for the staff members organized a Common Hour Assembly program to promote the 1959 BITS OF BEHREND. This program marked the beginning of the sales campaign which was



Professor Benjamin A. Lane, dean of students, is a busy man this week as "Junior Miss," Behrend Players' spring play, begins tonight and runs through Friday, March 13.

headed by John Polko, business manager.

A last drive for subscriptions is still underway, and the subscribers will receive their copy sometime during the first week of August via the mail.

### The Latest on Dr. Smith's Scientific Field Trips

By Lorraine Prokopowicz

"Last Thanksgiving was the day I was lucky enough to have very poor chili for Thanksgiving dinner." This situation is typical of the hardships endured by Doctor Elizabeth Smith, Professor of Zoology at Behrend Campus of the Pennsylvania State University, on her many field trips investigating that long-neglected mammal—the bat.

Doctor Smith's interests first developed bats about ten years ago, since which time she has been working alone and collaborating with the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History.

Bats are a source of curiosity since little is known about them. Doctor Smith believes that the traditional fear of bats is bred in ignorance. "Bats are very small. Full grown bats weigh one quarter of

an ounce." A bat bite seldom breaks the skin. "Rabies is rare in bats, much less common than in dogs and cats." Doctor Smith never wears a scarf when handling bats. "There is no known case where bats got tangled in hair." We can all relax on sweltering summer nights when bats swoop hither on you, for these mammals have keen direction sense and approach people merely because mosquitoes are attracted to humans. Bats are extremely valuable as mosquito eaters.

Bats have been brought to Erie from Kentucky and Tennessee, identified by miniature bands secured to their wrists, and released. Dr. Smith's field trips to spotted caves in these regions are attempting to find where bats from

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### STUDENTS OF SPEECH CLASSES WORKING ON VARIOUS PROGRAM COMMITTEES

The annual Easter Play will be presented Sunday afternoon, Mar. 22, in Erie Hall at 3 p.m.

"I Made Christ's Cross" is the story of the man who fashioned the cross on which Christ suffered and died. It has for its site Jerusalem, during the end of Christ's ministry. There are four scenes entitled respectively, "He That Cometh in the Name of the Lord," "The Making of the Cross," "The Death of Christ on the Cross," and "The Discovery of the Message of the Cross."

Since it is a project of the speech classes, Mrs. Falkenhagen is directing the play. She has chosen the following cast: Mike Eccles will play the part of Abner, the middle-aged carpenter; John Miller is cast as Joel, Abner's

neighbor, about the same age; Diane Reynolds plays Phoebe, the wife of Abner; Lois, the daughter of Phoebe and Abner, will be done by Nancy Altman, and Dick Chase is portraying a Roman soldier. The assistant director is James Robb.

The stage crew, with Bill Roberge and Chuck Blass as co-chairmen, is made up of George Guriel, Frank Barbich, Roger Lansberry, Bob Nelson, Chuck Simons, Bob Amendola, Bill Wood, Jack McLaughlin, and George Place.

The Properties Committee, headed by Jerry Rochin, is composed of Jim Higgins, Bill Welch, Pat Williams, Bill Chapin, and Lou Morrow. The make-up will be handled by Bob Scott and Jerry Sedney.

Music will be provided by Walt Parker, Marjie Rex, Grace Rowland, and Gay Kinsinger, with John Beatty as chairman.

Bob Scott is the chairman of the Publicity Committee. Helping him to do the job are Marjorie Krebs, Ike Sosnowski, John Lloyd, Don Nogay, John Polko, John Campbell, and Alex Hahn.

Rounding out the set of necessary committees is the House Committee. Denny Sterrett and  
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### Apply Now For Qualification Test

Applications for the April 30, 1959 administration of the College Qualification Test are now available at Selective Service System local boards throughout the country.

Eligible students who intend to take this test should apply at once to the nearest Selective Service local board for an application and a bulletin of information.

Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application and mail it immediately in the envelope provided to SELECTIVE SERVICE EXAMINING SECTION, Educational Testing Service, P.O. Box 586, Princeton, New Jersey. Applications for the April 30 test must be postmarked no later than midnight, April 9, 1959.

According to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test for the Selective Service System, it will be greatly to the student's advantage to file his application at once. The results will be reported to the student's Selective Service local board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student.



In charge of Behrend students selected to participate in the annual Reading Festival at Penn State's main campus in the spring will be Nyla Falkenhagen, speech instructor.