

# SOCIETY PAGE

## THE REST IS SILENCE

What would a contemporary Hamlet be like? Helmut Kautner, who wrote, produced and directed The Rest is Silence, cast him as a German named John Claudius who lived in America during World War II and was later summoned back to Dusseldorf by his uncle upon the death of his father.

Part of the enjoyment of this movie lies in discovering how it parallels Shakespeare's play. John's (Hamlet's) mother, Gertrud, marries his Uncle Paul; two mysterious phone calls (ghosts?) convince John his father was murdered; John falls in love with a sad-eyed fragile Ophelia; a ballet is presented to measure the reaction of Gertrud and his Uncle Paul. Like Hamlet, John finally overcomes his indecision and avenges his father's death by shooting his uncle.

The most obvious deviation from Shakespeare's plot occurs at the end of the movie, for our modern Hamlet does not die . . . he faces the silence of living in a country which he neither loves nor in which he is loved.

The Rest is Silence was a clever and wonderful film that will not soon be forgotten by anyone who saw it.

The next foreign film, Symphonie Pastorale will appear on December 4. Be sure to attend.

## JAMMY

Psi Sigma Upsilon's Jammy on November 5 was a great success. Almost three hundred tickets were sold and students from Gannon, Mercyhurst, Villa, Winboro, Hamot and St. Vincent School of Nursing were seen frugging and jerking along with the Behrend students.

The amount of girls to boys was at least proportional and it was an excellent opportunity to meet students from other schools.

The great turnout at this jammy practically guarantees another jammy some time in the near future.

## NEW COMMUNITY SINGERS IN CONCERT

The Erie Playhouse is going to get a chance to show what their beautiful new stage can do without the benefit of additional settings when they present the popular Folk Singing Group, THE NEW COMMUNITY SINGERS in a concert Friday November 26th. The group of students from Ohio State University who burst into the musical spotlight with their hit recording of "Manry and the Sea" were the stars of the Miss Universe Pageant of 1965.

The two young ladies and five young men with their engaging style of upbeat folk music are a refreshing breath of air in this age of bushy maimed screamers. Testimony to the quality of their style is the long list of well known spots at which they've played. Some of the better known are the Fountain Blue, The Algiers & The Seville, all in Miami Beach, Florida; Grosingers, The Concord, and Tamarack in the Borscht Circuit. Just recently they played to standing room only at the Eagles Club right here in Erie.

Among their T.V. credits are "The Jackie Gleason Show" and "The Mike Douglas Show."

There will be two performances, one at 7:00 P.M. and the second at 9:00 P.M. Tickets are priced at a low of \$1.50 which puts it in the reach of just about everyone. All seats are reserved.

Mail orders are now being accepted. In addition to a stamped self-addressed envelope, orders should include a check or money order for the full amount of the tickets and a statement of preference for the 7:00 or the 9:00 show. Orders should be sent to: Concert, Erie Civic Theatre Association, Box 2042, Erie, Pennsylvania 16512

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