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CAESAR AND THE GUINEA PIG

JULIUS CAESAR found Gaul divided into three parts when he set out to conquer it. Some 2,000 odd years later or so, Dr. Carl B. Schott comes here from the hills of West Virginia on a campaign that is to make Julius a piker of the first water.

At least that is his aim. He is to be the original guinea pig for an idealistic theory distinctly of more than three parts and which is this:

The School of Physical Education and Athletics will be integrated to include the supervision of the physical education program for both men and women; to direct a much-battered intramural program, utilizing and developing the outdoor facilities and natural resources that are a part of this district; to cooperate with the College Health Service; to administer a four-year professional curriculum in physical education and athletics; and to supervise this program in conjunction with the program of intercollegiate athletics.

At 50, Dr. Schott is going to find a lot of Gauls to conquer. He is to go to bat for an experiment that is idealistic and probably very desirable. Whether or not it will be a successful experiment, of course, depends on the quality of guinea pig. That is, to a certain degree.

Dr. Schott will prove also whether or not a job as this one can be handled by one man. His actual appointment is an indication that the emphasis is to be placed on physical education and not intercollegiate athletics. He will find it difficult to prove this idea to a lot of people whose chief interest is in a winning football team. He will find it difficult to prove to 21,000 alumni from which can be found 21,000 intercollegiate athletic directors.

Dr. Schott will hold a unique position. Not being an alumnus he will have the boys worrying just what he is for as much as they worried what Hugo Bezdek was all about. Dr. Schott might be termed an efficiency expert that has been called in from the outside to tackle the job with clean hands.

This physical education problem has been kicked around for seven years until the boys could ease out Bezdek. It has been bruised since last fall when that was accomplished. It is about time the brain-child be nurtured in somewhat of a successful fashion.

It is for that reason that Dr. Schott will be on the spot from the moment he sets foot on the campus. It is for that reason that Dr. Schott will be more than a Caesar. The success of the whole idea depends on him. If he fails, it is logical that the program will fail.

He comes with no particular enemies and no particular friends. He is a man on his own on foreign terrain. He comes as a firm reminder that the President is adamant in his intention of continuing his program after it appeared to waver when Dick Harlow appeared "in" this winter.

Experience indicates that this "fair-haired boy" of 50 had well be thick-skinned to succeed. It is traditional here that the blame for a losing football team be placed everywhere but on the shoulders of the head coach. Dr. Schott will find this one of his burdens.

It is hoped that he will get a fair break when he comes. It is hoped that he will have cooperation and support. It is hoped that he will be a success, both for himself, and for Penn State.

When he comes may he be greeted with more than, "Well, pal, you asked for and you got it."

THEY DIDN'T BURY THEM

The Players' "Bury The Dead" the past week-end, in addition to being extremely well done, was the strongest protest against war that has appeared on this campus. Commendation is due the performers, their director, and the technicians for the excellent job they performed.

It is in a manner akin to this that the campaign against war should be conducted. An appeal to the emotions is stronger than one toward reason. Reading the display of anti-war posters collected by Dr. Tschan and displayed last week in the library should be proof enough of this.

How about using a little more of this subtle emotional technique and a little less of the long-haired stuff?

OLD MANIA

Many stories have been told about Sally "Sadie" Wolf, the Diner's booming babe who waits on tables as well as amuses the customers with her cute voice. It may be an old one, but it's still all right:

A well-known faculty boy ordered chicken soup from Sally and after she had yodeled out the order, he decided he would prefer split pea. He called Sally over and told her, whereupon she returned to the counter and thundered "Hold the chicken and make it pea."

Kay Bloom, perennial blonde co-ed, has feared for several weeks that her name would be linked with Jack Vincent's in this column on account of they had been seen around together. But along before I. F. Ball, Vincent gave Bloom the go-by and so she is doomed to disappointment.

Vincent is the boy who had a dream about drinking beer one night and awoke the next morning with a hang-over. Which reminds us of the Phi Sigma Kappa who slept through his nine o'clock last week in order not to interrupt a dream about Simone Simon.

The annual Lion coat season is in full swing and with it comes many, many tales. Most of the boys make nude drawings on theirs by way of decoration. Not to be outdone, Abie "Florence" Taylor brings up the point that if men can draw nude women on their Lion coats, why can't she picture a nude man on hers.

Then there's the Phi Gam, Eddie McColly, who has some very fine-looking Fiji island babes crouched around a campfire on the tail of his coat. When he moves they dance. Once a Fiji always a Fiji.

Many pre-med students get away from the common-place filth and draw paintings of sperms, eggs, embryos, etc., on their coats.

Spring may be here but it's no excuse for the carry-ons of some of the boys. Fletcher Byrom, for instance, was out at Bald Eagle creek on a field trip Saturday and after boasting of his greatness, swam across in the bitter cold for a bet of 75 cents. He was plenty cold after that. And his betters were plenty burned.

Leo Houek was coming up from Harrisburg the other night. In his own words, "the bus left Harrisburg at ten-thirty, was to arrive at State College at one-thirty. Figuring on three hours sleep, I dozed off. I awoke with an awful smell, which could only be Tyrene, at two-thirty. At five-thirty, I took a bus back to State College, arriving at six-thirty." In newspaper parlance, thumpy.

Miss Locklin, the English Lit prof, really pulls the gags when the boys least expect it. Talking about Walt Whitman the other day, she told her class about his tendency to deal with sex in much frequency. "But the sex in Whitman's work," she said, "isn't the kind that drives one away from reading him." We always thought sex was a pretty good attraction.

Mary Bruelli spends half her time going to bat for the Penn State co-ed... and the other half condemning the campus big-shot... who ignores little co-eds... Tat Humes is beaming and boasting of a great big diamond from the manager of the local five and ten... Paul Dean is still hitting it with the blonde job, Barbara McClure... Joe Adessa is covering the Student Union desk when he isn't in center field... but the center of attraction is still D. B. ... although we don't mean baseball... yes, Barbara Boves... —MANIAC

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FOOTLIGHTS

"Bury the Dead," presented by the Penn State Players under the direction of Prof. Frank S. Neubaum. Written by Irwin Shaw.

The Cast

- First Soldier... Irving Tersulow
Second Soldier... Herbert Yanofsky
Third Soldier... Clarence Evans
Fourth Soldier... Dennis Weaver
Sergeant... Randolph Graham
Captain... Harry Reed
Private... Jack Charest
Rabbi... Charles Waxman
First General... Edward Binns
Second General... Robert Cowden
Third General... William Hile
Doctor... Elmer Linberg
Secretary... Scott Anderson
Charley... Donald Wright
Devins... Alvin Heutchy
First Business Man... Chas. Waxman
Second Business Man... Jack Charest
Third Business Man... Elmer Linberg
Private Driscoll... Alan Tapman
Private Morgan... Johnson Breneman

- Private Levy... Donald Geiger
Private Webster... Jack Volgin
Private Schelling... Morton Wolovsky
Private Dean... Gilbert Miller
Bess Schelling... Dorothy Clarke
Joan Burke... Nessa Firestone
Julia Blake... Jane Eames
Katherine Driscoll... Florence Marquardt
Elizabeth Dean... Jean Woodruff
Martha Webster... Beatrice Conford
Reporter... Kenneth Kagen
Editor... Richard Collins
Priest... Walter St. Clair
Clubwoman... Hilda Hanson
Newsboy... Donald Wright

Forced to meet the expectations of advanced notices praising the theme, lighting technique, and dynamic force of the writing, as well as mad ravings of New York critics, the Penn State Players came through with amazing strength in their portrayal of "Bury the Dead" in Schwab auditorium Friday and Saturday nights.

With an unusually large cast of over thirty combined in characterizations nearly equal in importance, the Players put on a performance which will be remembered as one of the best in the 17-year history of the group. With no exceptions, the cast was convincing, forceful, and effective.

"Bury the Dead" in its own right is a play which is bound to go over in such liberal circles as these. More convincing than anti-war strikes, propaganda, and ineffective speeches against the horrors of international struggle, Irwin Shaw's drama was enough to put across the greatest arguments ever advanced against war.

It would be absurd to omit comment on the fine work of the lighting and sound technicians which distinguished "Bury the Dead." With absolutely no exception, the intricate light cues were followed without flaw. In the Friday performance, it appeared as if there was a slip-up for a period of less than a minute. This was due to an error of a character, rather than one of a technical crew.

There was a sharp contrast in audience reaction between the two showings. There was little laughter on Friday night, but a larger crowd the next day, plus a shade finer handling of lines by the cast, brought laughs from every clever line. The reaction was immediate and was cut short in time to catch the next remark of the characters, who were slightly bewildered by the change of attitude in the auditorium.

A difference from other Player shows may be detected in "Bury the Dead" in the performances of the women. Six girls nearly stole the spotlight by their terrific emotional appeal, and give promise of adding much strength to future productions.

Although it still must be stressed that it took the entire cast to really put the show over, it wouldn't be fair to mention a few of the Players, who, perhaps because of their particular lines, were outstanding. Kenny Kagen as the reporter, Eddie

Nichols Leads Jam Session; Hobson Praises Eddie

A jam session led by Eddie Nichols, together with a group of campus musicians, will be held in Schwab auditorium, Thursday at 8:30 o'clock. The jam is being sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha, honorary musical fraternity.

Eddie Nichols is blessed with an elastic ear for music, according to Wilder Hobson, one of the editors of Fortune magazine. While most people have only an ear for just one type of music, Eddie can listen and enjoy all kinds of sound, formally organized, as a written composition, or a swing of the latest popular hit.

Mr. Hobson goes on to say that music comes from the deliberate formal organization of sound and isn't confined to any set of tonal traditions or "acceptable" departures from those traditions. He believes that one could organize five riveting machines so as to produce what he would call music.

In Hobson's experience, Americans who react to Beethoven do not react, for example to Japanese gaga-ku music. While Beethoven may have more tonal architecture, it does not mean that it is of a superior quality. According to Mr. Hobson, Eddie Nichols hears all kinds of music and judges it accordingly. Whether it is hot, sweet, or ecclesiastical, Eddie can judge fairly of its value.

College Awaits Grant For Building Program

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Library and the Liberal Arts buildings. The street space will be landscaped and grassed, continuing the center mall from College avenue to the tennis courts.

Central Mineral Industries Wing—Plans include the construction of a first or cellar floor to cover the space between the two existing wings to the rear. A central wing will be on top of this floor as high as the rest of the building.

Agricultural Chemistry and Zoology Building—This will be built across from the present Agriculture Building and facing it.

Electrical Engineering Building—This is planned for the south end of the drill field, facing the President's home and the present engineering units.

Chemistry-Physics Building—This will be built on Center Drive, next to the present building and facing Holmes Field and the Drive.

Agricultural Engineering Building—Planned to be located above the present Dairy Building, this structure will face the sheep barns and not the East Drive as the Dairy Building does.

Wings for Mechanical Engineering Laboratory—This will be finishing the originally planned structure that faces fraternity row to the west of the regular engineering units.

Wings for the Textile Chemistry Building—This, too, will be completing the plans for the original structure.

Infirmary Wing—A wing is planned for the present infirmary.

Service Item—A provision was planned to service any constructed buildings with heat, water, roads, landscaping, and walks.

Five Judge Tourney

John H. Frizzell and Joseph F. O'Brien, Herbert Koepf-Baker, Clayton H. Schug, and Harold P. Zelko, of the Pennsylvania Forensic and Music League tournament held at Altoona last week-end.

Binns as the general, Harry Reed as the captain, Mort Wolovsky as one of the corpses, Dorothy Clarke as the farmer's wife, and the singing of Bud Yanofsky, must be commended.

The Players should be asked to repeat "Bury the Dead." —J. W.

We Women

By SHIRLEY HELMS

The drinking problem again raises its ugly head. Of course many don't consider it a problem because actually there is no hard and fast rule. There is just a simple statement to the effect that W.S.G.A. disapproves of drinking and will deal with all cases accordingly.

To settle the doubts that are lurking in our minds, W.S.G.A. has prepared a paper explaining their views on drinking and appealing to our moral standards. Underneath a cloud of idealism the paper seems to take a compromising standpoint. You gather that they wish to discourage drinking but don't want to make a definite rule against it. You understand that an occasional glass of beer will be tolerated but not sanctioned. As in other branches of conduct they will punish those who overstep the line and over-indulge.

Are you satisfied with the statement that is vague and lax? Would you prefer a moderate drinking statement that doesn't beat around the bush or a rigid prohibition?

"Know Your Sister Fraternity" is the title of the Panhellenic party for pledges to be held in the Hugh Beaver room at 6:30 Thursday night. There will be brief talks given by the pledge representatives.

Campus Bulletin

TODAY: Sophomore edit staff of Student Handbook will meet in room 418, Old Main, at 7 o'clock. Red Wing Society will meet in room 35, Education building, at 7 o'clock.

TOMORROW: All students interested in forming an archery club will meet in room 301, Rec Hall, at 4:15 o'clock. French Circle will meet at the Theta Kappa Phi house, E. Hamilton avenue, at 7:15 o'clock. Officers will be elected.

MISCELLANEOUS: The sale of invitations and announcements for commencement will begin at Student Union office next Monday, it was announced late today.

Practices for the women's inter-collegiate basketball games.

Schott Appointment Approved by Hetzel

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predicted that Dr. Schott would be the new director.

The new dean, 50 years old, is a native of Nebraska, a graduate of Nebraska State Normal, the Y. M. C. A. College of Springfield, Mass., and has B. S., M. A., and Ph. D. degrees from Columbia University.

Prior to his position at West Virginia he was director of physical education and athletics at Western State Teachers College, Kalamazoo, Mich., and was physical education director and head basketball and baseball coach at Pomona College, Claremont, Cal.

He was the first president of the West Virginia State Basketball Officials' Association, and was fundamental in the organization and direction of the annual state basketball clinic held at West Virginia University.

Dr. Schott is the chairman of the rules revision committee of the National Approved Basketball Officials' Association, a member of the Chartered Boards of Approved Basketball Officials, and a member of the honor-awards committee of the American Physical Education Association.

The new dean has won varsity letters in baseball, basketball, and football. He has officiated in football for Harvard, Army, Navy, Cornell, Pittsburg, Michigan and other institutions. Dr. Schott also has officiated at inter-collegiate basketball games.

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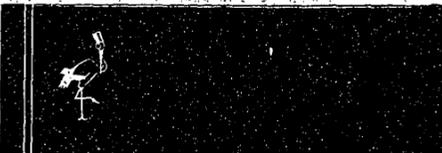
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