

Costa Rican Co-Ed Eats Ice Cream, Cake For Week

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"For a week I lived on ice cream and cake because I could not read, write, or speak enough English to understand menus or waitresses," Odette Hector said, laughing as she thought of her arrival at Miami, Florida, six months ago from Santa Cruz, Guanacaste, Costa Rica.

Miss Hector spent two months in New York City before coming to State College. Her black eyes twinkled as she emphatically said Sunday afternoon, "I did not like the city nor the winter weather, especially when I went out without gloves; and I fell on the ice four times the first day!"

Miss Hector is a dairy manufacture student at the College. Her classes include ice cream making, testing milk, dairy cattle, judging dairy products, and speech.

"It is all very new and interesting to me, but I am studying dairy manufacturing," she explained, "because it is the chief industry of our country. When I return to Costa Rica, I want to help to modernize the industry as well as to introduce educational courses of this type in the schools and universities."

Miss Hector was asked how she liked the coeds and servicemen here at State. "Fine," was her answer. "The girls have so much personality and everyone tries to help me. I think the servicemen are very nice boys, especially the Navy."

"Customs are very strange here," Miss Hector continued. "In Costa Rica the gentleman always gives the lady a seat on the street-car. Here he pushes and shoves to get there first."

Miss Hector prepared for college work at the Colegio Superior de Señoritas and Escuela Manuel Oregon in San Jose, the capital city of Costa Rica.

During the course of her interview, she told about school customs in Costa Rica. Compulsory attendance is required of everyone in grammar school for six years and in college (high school) for five years. Students graduate from the latter with a bachelor of science degree and then continue studying at the university. The government controls the entire educational program, which is much more difficult than such programs in the United States because students

carry as many as fifteen subjects in one year, according to Miss Hector.

All of the girls dress alike, wearing blue pleated skirts and white and blue striped blouses. Jewelry and makeup are forbidden during school hours. So are "dates" while the girls are in uniform.

"I like it much better here!" exclaimed Miss Hector. "In Costa Rica we must take a chaperone with us on every date until we are engaged. It is very silly."

"At first the American soldiers stationed on the island could not understand this custom, but now they take the chaperone and like it."

Our five-foot-four Latin American friend elaborated upon some peculiar customs of social life in Costa Rica. "Your music is so different here," she said. "At home

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Zemprelli To Head Debate Sessions

Edward P. Zemprelli, Penn State, was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Debaters' Convention Saturday at the final session of the annual convocation. Other officers elected were John J. McClellan, Moravian College, first vice-president, and David L. Shank, University of Pennsylvania, second vice-president.

Attending the convention were 75 undergraduates from 16 colleges throughout the state. For the first time in the history of the convention, the women delegates got a fighting chance to out-talk the men, with 44 women outnumbering the 31 men.

A bill taking action on the post-war foreign policy of the United States was passed by the convention and copies sent to the United States senators from Pennsylvania, the representative to Congress from this district, the House Military Affairs Committee, the Pennsylvania State Legislature, the Associated Press, and the United Press.

Alpha Lambda Delta Dance

Sixty-five dollars net proceeds from the Alpha Lambda Delta dance Saturday will be turned over to the Red Cross, Marjorie Blackwood, president, announced. She thanked Mr. Gilbert L. Crossley, assistant professor of electrical engineering, and Mr. George W. Ebert, superintendent of grounds and building, for their cooperation and help.

A Wyoming man, bitten by a snake, went 60 miles for a doctor. He probably knew what was good for snake bites, but couldn't get any.

Goodyear, Celanese Interview Seniors

Interviews will be held in 204 Old Main at any time this week for all senior students interested in meeting representatives of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company and the Celanese Corporation.

Miss Mary Koss, representing Goodyear, will be on campus next Wednesday, and is mainly interested in interviewing women with majors in secretarial science, mathematics, accounting and business administration.

Dr. Earl S. McColey of the Celanese Corporation of America will be on campus Thursday, April 13, to interview senior men and women June graduates in chemistry, commercial chemistry, chemical engineering, and physics.

Story Of The 'Victory' Song

If it hadn't been for Albert A. Hansen, '13, Penn State might not today have one of its very best songs, "Victory." Albert Hansen was Jimmy Leyden's '14 roommate. They resided in one of the old wooden rooms of the historic trackhouse, a building which once housed the greatest of Penn State's athletes. The house has since been torn down to make way for more modern buildings.

It all happened one spring morning. Leyden, who possessed a fine tenor voice, a sunny disposition, and the knack for composing tunes at a moment's notice, arose singing a song about Penn State. It sounded good to Hansen who asked him where he got it.

"Just made it up," was the answer.

Hansen made a bargain with his talented roommate.

"Write it down and I'll publish it and give you two cents royalty on every copy sold," he said.

It was published and several editions were sold. It is not recorded how much Leyden made, certainly no fortune. It is certain though that he gave a priceless gem to Penn State. For years "Joe College" and coeds have been singing its stirring bars. Each incoming class learns it with zest. It just won't die... in fact, who wants it to?

Theta-Phi Alpha Initiates

Theta Phi Alpha sorority recently initiated the following girls: Olinda Alfano, Kathleen Angilello, Beatrice Glover, Jeanne Jordan, Virginia Lucky, Marjorie Nemes, Marguerite Presel, and Antoinette Wolfe.

Trustees Approve Peery As Head Of Aero Course

Appointment of Dr. David J. Peery as head of the new curriculum in aeronautical engineering at the College was announced today by Dr. Harry P. Hammond, dean of the School of Engineering. His appointment was approved at the weekend meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Peery, who came to the College in 1942 as an associate professor, holds a bachelor's degree from Missouri School of Mines and advanced degrees from the University of Michigan. He formerly taught at Missouri School of Mines, Carnegie Institute of Technology, and Washington University in St. Louis.

In addition, Dr. Peery has worked with the Missouri State Highway Department in bridge design, with Curtiss-Wright as a project structures engineer, and with McDonnell Aircraft Corporation in St. Louis as assistant chief of structure.

He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, Society for Promotion of Engineering Education, American Association of University Professors, and the American Society of Civil Engineers. Dr. Peery also be-

longs to Sigma Xi, graduate scientific honorary society; Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary society; and Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honorary society.

Describing the new curriculum, Dean Hammond said it has been established to meet an educational need in Pennsylvania and to be of service to the aeronautical industry in the fields of aerodynamics, aircraft structure, and aircraft materials. He predicts that air transportation will develop into a major postwar industry and says that aeronautics is the largest single vocational interest of high school boys today.

The curriculum is the first full-fledged aeronautical engineering curriculum in Pennsylvania, according to Dean Hammond, who also said it will be one of 16 such courses of study in the nation. Staff aides of Dr. Peery will be John W. Oehrl and David J. Gildea, both assistant professors.

Two scholarships, each representing \$250, and a \$750 fellowship have already been established at the College by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation of San Diego, Calif. These are the first grants ever given by this corporation to any college or university.

Frats To Retain Military Assets

Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock, commenting on the future of College fraternities, today expressed the belief that the successful postwar chapter house would be neither a country club nor a military barracks, but predicted it would retain the more desirable features of the latter.

His comments were prompted by the announcement that Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemistry fraternity and one of 43 Penn State fraternity houses occupied by the military a year ago, had been reoccupied by civilian students. This is the first house to be reoccupied since the reduction of Air Corps and ASTP trainees left many properties vacant.

"For years," the dean said, "some fraternity chapters have indicated by their records that their techniques were building young citizens of superior mental development and well-disciplined personalities, but on the other hand there have been chapters which would have to plead guilty to charges that they were

Co-Ops Exchange Dinners

The first in a series of exchange dinners conducted by the Nittany and Allen Co-Ops was held Wednesday evening. Each week four representatives from each co-op have dinner with members of the other house in order to become better acquainted with each other and with the activities of the co-ops.

Vance Kennedy, president of the Allen Co-Op, is organizing a mushball team for the men and is scheduling games with other local teams for this spring.

softening factors in youth training."

He listed economic budgeting of time, purposeful study, disciplined living, and attention to physical fitness, as the more desirable features of the military barracks, adding that "more natural and agreeable self-compliance should be substituted for regimentation."

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Air Force Band

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director of instrumental music at Mansfield State Teachers College before accepting the associate professorship at the College in 1940.

Captain Howard supervised summer band and orchestra conferences for high school musicians on the campus in 1940-41-42. Last year he was guest conductor at the All-State Band meet in which approximately 300 high school pupils participated.

In the summer of 1942 he was granted a leave of absence to enter the music branch of the special services. A few months ago Captain Howard transferred from the regular Army to accept the Air Corps position.



Ann Sheridan, Dennis Morgan in a scene from "Shine On Harvest Moon," gay musical, with Jack Carson, Irene Manning and S. Z. Sakall.

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