

Inter-racial Fellowship House Presents Democratic Living

By GLORIA PARKS

The Fellowship House, Fairmount and Locust Lane, is a unique experience in truly democratic living. The house was organized during the summer semester, on a cooperative basis as an international and inter-racial dormitory for men students.

There are only two or three inter-racial houses affiliated with a college in this country, and they are organized on a financial basis. At Cornell University there is an international house called the Cosmopolitan Club. The University of Nebraska has a house for Japanese-American women students against whom there has been discrimination.

Aims To Promote Fellowship

The purpose of the house, as outlined in the constitution drawn up by the members, is to stimulate a feeling of fellowship among all people, regardless of race, color, or nationality. They also wish to give a home to men students who have trouble getting rooms because of these factors. The house is wholeheartedly acclaimed by its 23 members as having successfully fulfilled its purpose.

George Hunter, president of the house, was an undergraduate student at Lincoln College, taught at Hampton Institute, and is now working on his doctor's degree in the field of bio-chemistry. He and his wife have an apartment in the Fellowship House and chaperone social events given there.

Hunter, in speaking of the Fellowship House, said, "With the returning veteran, our organization will grow rather than fail because of lack of members. The veteran has fought for the very ideals which we uphold here today, and for the same equality among all people."

"With students returning from many parts of the world after combat experiences, new patterns and new social attitudes will have been developed. As proof of this there have been over 50 applications for membership for the spring term."

High School Teacher's Influence

Martin Alperin, vice-president, says that his high school English teacher in Long Branch, N. J., influenced his beliefs in inter-racial relationships. She taught that tolerance is not enough, that all people should learn to live and work together. Alperin feels that the Fellowship House fulfills this ideal, and that it is a great thing in human relations.

Dr. George Simpson, head of the sociology department and a member of the advisory committee, looks upon the project as a social experiment, roughly corresponding to Penn State's experimental research in scientific fields.

The house, formerly operated by Theta Xi, has a large, well-furnished lounge with an adjoining discussion or game room. Books are being added to the library, and equipment for the game room upstairs is being built and installed. The house is kept in immaculate condition, different duties being assigned weekly to each member.

Run on Democratic Basis

William J. Rabinik, social chairman, pointed out that the house is run on a democratic basis, with everyone having equal status at all times. He said that the fellows would like a house of their own, in order to expand more and work out their principles.

Alvin Kaufman, second semester pre-med, is secretary-treasurer of the house, and administers his duties efficiently. Robert Moore, house manager, is president of Penn State Club, and a member of ISC.

There is a close atmosphere of friendship among the members. They plan their recreation together, and maintain a close association. John Stokes, graduate student in architectural engineering, is cook by popular acclaim for the weekly Sunday dinners

which are planned on a voluntary basis. Edgar Askew, second semester pre-med. from Hackensack, N. J., is music master extraordinary.

Four Ex-GI's

There are four ex-servicemen living at the Fellowship House. Nathan Sacks was a lieutenant in the Signal Corps, and takes a lot of good natured ribbing about his Alaskan experience. John L. Fuller was a German prisoner-of-war for three months, and Milton Katz was wounded at the Battle of the Bulge.

John L. Frank, associate professor at Hampton Institute, is working on his doctor's degree along industrial lines, and will teach a course here in the summer semester.

Two Peruvian students are living at the Fellowship House this semester. Jorge Montesimos has a one year fellowship in ceramics, and Sigmund Wiel, first semester in bio-research, who speaks English fluently.

The students mentioned are a sampling of the 23 members representing a number of racial backgrounds and religious traditions making up the fellowship.

'Tired All Over' Tune Falls In Utter Rout Before Ritenour Plan

"Do you have that 'tired all over' feeling? No, this isn't an ad for a patent medicine, but do you know that you're not really tired at all?"

Most students sit all day, walk to and from classes and up and down several flights of stairs. Yet they troop into the dispensary complaining in a weak voice, "I'm so tired." If they were digging ditches or doing actual physical work it would be different, says Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, director of the College Health Service.

Students who are just entering their 20s have great powers of recuperation, the doctor believes. They can indulge in strenuous activity and recover after a night's rest.

"In most cases the tiredness the students feel," Dr. Ritenour says, "is not physical at all, but mental. It's the result of fear, anxiety, inferiority, or boredom. The only way to overcome this mental fatigue is to adopt a new hygienic regime."

This new program should include eight hours of sleep or rest a night. "It's a fact that you can't make up sleep you've missed. Every hour of sleep you skip staying up to finish a theme is gone forever," said Dr. Ritenour.

It is important to eat sensibly. People don't start on a journey in a car with an empty gas tank. Yet every morning students skip their breakfasts. Included in the program should be exercise and sports and a reasonable amount of social activity.

This feeling of fatigue is cumulative. If it isn't corrected it may finally result in neurasthenia or nerve exhaustion.

"After fooling away their time students find exams are here," said Dr. Ritenour. The result is this 'too tired' feeling which is only setting up a defense mechanism for one's own shortcomings."

who have demonstrated beyond all doubt that men of various cultures can live together democratically, and with mutual appreciation of each other's heritage.

Big Weekend Plans

The Fellowship House has made plans for the big weekend of February 8-9. A reception is scheduled for Friday night, and a banquet with a party afterwards on Saturday night.

Hunter has received notice that Theta Xi plans to reorganize next semester, which means that it may be necessary for them to find a new house. In the event that the house is broken up temporarily, they wish to stick together as an organization.

Snyder Writes Therapy Book

Dr. William U. Snyder, acting director of the psycho-educational clinic, is teaching clinical psychology at the College and at present is working on the editing of a case book on psycho-therapy.

He arrived here on October 1, 1945, from Ohio State where he taught courses in clinical psychology and was co-director of the psychological clinic there. He received his BA degree from Gettysburg, his MS at Duke University, and his PhD at Ohio State.

His work here is primarily counseling adults and students in personal problems and he has set up a room at the psycho-educational clinic for work in play therapy with children.

Dr. Snyder is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi honorary, and is an associate member of the American Psychological Association. Eleven of his articles have been published in scientific journals.

His psychological internship was done at Worcester State Hospital where he tested retarded and mentally deficient children and criminals.

Mrs. Snyder is also a psychologist, having received her MS degree at Ohio State University.

DuPont Presents Award To Chemistry Student

Charles Weisel, of Perkasie, graduate student in chemistry has been awarded a DuPont fellowship, Dean Frank C. Whitmore of the School of Chemistry and Physics announced today.

Weisel, who received his bachelor of science degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1942, has been working on higher hydrocarbons in relation to special lubrication problems. He will continue on certain fundamental problems in this field.

He received his master of science degree in organic chemistry at the College in 1943. During the war he was engaged on the anti-malarial project of the College and also on the penicillin project sponsored by the War Production Board.



Calendar

TODAY

"The Curse of Gold"—Schwab Auditorium—8 p.m.
Collegian Senior and Junior Board meeting, 8 Carnegie Hall, 4:30 p.m.
Sabbath Eve Services, Hillel Foundation, 7:30 p.m.
Players Tryouts, sign up at Student Union, all day.
French movie, "Marie Louise," St. Andrews Episcopal Parish House, 8 p.m.
PSCA Commission six meeting, 304 Old Main, 7 p.m.
Penn State Bible Fellowship, 405 Old Main, 7 p.m.
Debate, Penn State vs Dickinson College, 121 Sparks, 7:30 p.m.

TOMORROW

"The Curse of Gold," Players production, Schwab Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Theta Sigma Phi meeting, Theta House, 1:30 p.m.
Kappa Delta Bridge party, Northwest lounge, Ath Hall, 3 to 5 p.m.
Shabbos Tea, Hillel Foundation, 3:30 p.m.
Boxing match, Penn State vs University of Virginia, Recreation Hall, 7 p.m.
Players Tryouts, sign up at Student Union.
PSCA Cabinet meeting, 304 Old Main, 1:15 p.m.

SUNDAY

Chapel, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a.m. Dr. Arthur A. Wickenden, "The Christian Imperative."
Theta Sigma Phi journalism tea, Northeast Lounge, Ath Hall, 3 to 5 p.m.
Fourth Semester meeting, second floor lounge, Old Main, 2 p.m.
Centro Cultural Inter-American meeting 527 S. Frazier street, 7:30 p.m.
All-College Clothing Committee meeting, 304 Old Main, 1:30 p.m.
PSCA Practical Bible Study, 304 Old Main, 2 p.m.

MONDAY

Orchestra Rehearsal, 117 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.
Penn State Engineer meeting, 2 Armory, 7:30 p.m.
Cwens meeting, WSGA room, White Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Blue Key actives meeting Phi Epsilon Pi house, 7:30 p.m.
Players Tryouts, sign up at Student Union, all day.
Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics prize examination, 121 Sparks, 7:30 p.m.
PSCA First Semester Club meeting, 304 Old Main, 7 p.m.
PSCA First Semester executive committee meeting, 304 Old Main, 6:45.
PSCA Second Semester Club meeting, 405 Old Main, 7 p.m.

Windcrest Mail Deliveries Begin

Mail deliveries to Windcrest, trailer community at the College, started this week, Postmaster Robert J. Miller announced today.

Veterans living in the community will receive two mail deliveries daily. Change of address cards have been completed by the families and mail arriving at the State College post office, with the old address, will be routed to the proper address.

Mail properly addressed, Postmaster Miller explained, will include the trailer number and the name "Windcrest." Previously, residents obtained their mail through general delivery, the use of the address of a friend living in the borough, or through a rented box.

Before deliveries could be made to Windcrest, mail boxes had to be installed on each trailer. When regulation mail boxes could not be obtained, employees of the College department of grounds and buildings constructed them.

George W. Ebert, superintendent, explained that each trailer has been numbered and that work has started on the construction of signs to mark the four streets of the community.

Skull and Bones

will formally initiate 13 members in Old Main at 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

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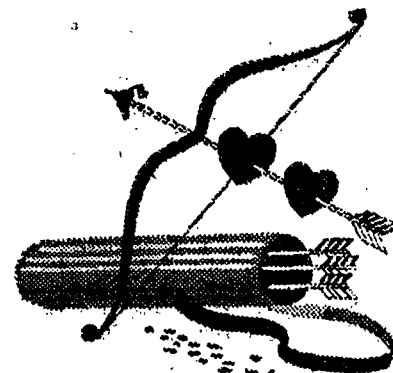
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