

# We Visited "A Revised Doll's House"

The Players' production of Ibsen's "A Doll's House" last weekend showed that while a good idea in 1879 is still a good idea in 1947, what was considered a good play in 1879 is not necessarily a good play for our time.

In other words, although the problem of one person dominating another is still a real and vital one, "Doll's House" is a play of the past and any successful modernization of it would have to be a practically new script.

As a period piece it is still worth seeing, but as a "modern" show it somehow doesn't come across.

There are probably two chief reasons for this. First, the play is constructed too obviously for modern audiences. Second, the idiom into which it has been translated is stiff and artificial. In some spots Mr. Cloetingh eliminated the artificiality, but in other places the language was definitely unnatural.

In many places, the dialogue hit the audience's ear in the wrong way and caused the audience to laugh where laughs were probably not wanted.

The strong point of the play lies in its well drawn characters. Nora, Christine, Torvald and all the rest are real people and ones with whom we can sympathize. The actors seemed to have an understanding of their roles and gave us good performances, although James Lotz as Dr. Rank didn't do too well in his serious moments. Particularly outstanding was Jane Staus as Nora. She played the difficult role intelligently.

The setting was adequate although not up to the usual Players' standard. The directing, at times good, sometimes had the actors sitting down so long we thought they were glued to the chairs.

It was nice seeing Mr. Ibsen again, but the old boy creaked in a lot of places.

## Progress of AVC's Drive

By Joan Peters

All-College Cabinet has signed a resolution backing AVC's drive against racial discrimination. Cabinet signed the resolution because, as one member said, AVC will find it difficult to go ahead with its program without backing.

In agreeing to sign the resolution, a cabinet member stipulated that this action represents the opinion only of Cabinet as a body, and not that of the entire student body.

However, it was pointed out that the matter had already been carried back to many of the individual groups represented on Cabinet, so that the backing of those groups also is included in Cabinet's signing the resolution.

In a report to Cabinet, AVC's representative, Martin Light, said that his group plans to secure resolutions in three steps—from students first, then faculty, and finally townspeople.

Signed resolutions, like the one signed by Cabinet, have already been secured from PSCA, Dean Arthur R. Warnock, Miss Pearl Weston, acting dean of women, Pollock Circle Council, Liberal Arts Student Council, Rev. Asendorf, and Rabbi Kahn.

Unofficial resolutions have been secured from other groups, and among others yet to be approached are Interfaith Council, ISC, X-GI Club, VFW, American Legion, and other service organizations of the boro.

At the preceding cabinet meeting, it had been suggested that AVC check the legality of the barber shops' refusal to cut Negroes' hair.

Light said that the law had been secured, but that it must be interpreted. The law covers several specific public services, but does not mention barber shops.

Therefore, it apparently would be a matter to be decided by the judge should a case involving a barber shop be taken to court. AVC will take the law to a lawyer to discover whether barber shops are among those public services which must serve anyone who is willing to pay for the service, and who is not a nuisance.

Light said that no group meeting with the town barbers had been planned as yet, since AVC must have something definite to show the barbers before meeting formally with them.

## News Story From the New York Times

If the heavy snows have prevented regular delivery of your New York Times of late, the following quotes might be of interest to our readers wondering about latest developments in the Williams College discrimination case:

"Barber fined \$50 for bias after charging Negro

student at Williams \$3 for a haircut" was the headline over the article.

The owner of the barber shop was convicted under a little used law which forbids any "distinction, discrimination or restriction on account of color or race."

The defendant immediately appealed and posted \$100 bond pending action in Berkshire Superior Court at Pittsfield next summer. He also said that he would reopen his barber shop.

In his verdict, Judge Ruby asserted that the soldiers of our country "fought to make this nation safe for you and me" and that "the colored boy wasn't told that he couldn't fight for his country."

## Letters

### Independent Women

TO THE EDITOR: Last week I was present at a meeting of the Independent Women's Association, and was really surprised at how small the attendance was.

Every member of a sorority or fraternity is required to attend group meetings.

Independent members, who have an opportunity to express their views voluntarily, and to enter into collegiate activities through the IWA and IMA meetings, never bother to attend these group discussions or to find out anything about the organizations.

Many efforts have been made by the IWA to secure new members, but always the same few turn up at the Monday evening meetings.

How can we represent the opinions of seven hundred Independent women with twenty members of the IWA?

—Sylvia Schenfeld.

### Thanks to Irwin Coeds

TO THE EDITOR: On behalf of the men from Pollock Circle who attended the mixer sponsored by Irwin Hall coeds, we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to our hostesses for an enjoyable Sunday afternoon.

—Pollock Circle Council.  
William C. Proctor, Sec.

### 'Sorry - - - It's Busy'

TO THE EDITOR: Isn't it about time something is done about the telephone situation on campus? It is impossible to calculate the study time wasted by all the male students who at one time or another try to call a girl in the dormitories.

In order to call a coed in any of these campus dormitories, it is necessary to dial 5051.

Of course this number has several trunk lines, but with the tremendous increase in students on the campus, both male and female, isn't it about time the College realized that it is an aggravating situation to wear out your index finger, only to receive an unconsoling BUSY SIGNAL?

This situation, of one busy signal after another, most times, goes on until either your finger, your patience, or the finger or patience of others waiting to use the phone, is worn out; or until you finally get the line and the girl's line is busy; or else the operator gives you the final blow, telling you that it is past ten o'clock, and you may not speak to the girls after that hour.

Come on, let's have a sufficient number of lines to handle this influx of telephone calls.

—Spencer M. Scheckter.

## Coed ---

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Mr. Kemmler, but also hastens to give his version of the qualities possessed by the typical coed. Says Mateer, "The girl with an outstanding ability to get along with people, who is a good listener, and who is able to work for her own living in an emergency is a good example."

And so the search for the typical All-American Coed of 1947 broadens to cover almost every conceivable aspect of womanhood. Who will be Penn State's choice?

## AVC ---

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and Congressman Homer A. Raney, Ohio.

In reference to the post-war educational outlook, it was urged that, in order to prevent future wars, courses dealing with international relations should be made part of every college curriculum.

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## CLASSIFIED SECTION

All classified advertisements must be in by 4:30 p.m. day preceding issue. Prices are: 40¢ for one insertion, \$1.00, three insertions, 17 words or less. Call Collegian, 711.

ROOM with running water for one man. Call 4850.

PASSENGERS to Greensburg and vicinity, leaving Friday, March 7, 3 p. m.; return Sunday. Contact Bob Shipe, 804 Windcrest.

BOARDERS WANTED—Beaver House has room for seven boarders. Call 851, ask for Loffert or Labash.

LOST—Outside of Old Main, alligator top coat, exchanged for another. PLEASE call Max, 4702.

LOST—Rhinstone bracelet between Locust Lane and Atherton Hall, late Friday, 21. Reward. Call Laura, 351 Ath.

FOR SALE—One tux, size 39 regular with vest; single-breasted. Call Bob Koser, 4957.

WANTED—Set of golf clubs. Call Martinelli 4255.

LOST—Small silver ring in vicinity of Allen and College, Saturday night. Sentimental value. Reward. Call 4815.

CLASSIFIED ADS in COLLEGIAN bring results! Locate lost articles, get rides home through COLLEGIAN'S classified ad column. 40¢ for one insertion, \$1.00 for three insertions.

FOR WEDDING receptions: cookies, sandwiches, lunch catering, wedding cakes. Frida Stern, 122 Irvin Ave., phone 4818, State College.

WILL PERSON who picked up music ruler from 8 Carnegie Hall kindly return same to Collegian office? Intrinsic value.

VACANCY in Pollock Circle. Single room, Dorm 9, Rm. 19. Call Bill Roach or Dick Boyington. 3973.

FOR RENT—Room for male student; with or without board. Call in person, 243 S. Pugh St.

LOST—Black leather key case, tooled initial MAA. Return to reference desk of Main Library. Reward.

OCCUPANT wanted for one-half double room at Pollock Circle. Present occupant going fraternity. Call Pete Johnson, 3466.

"LITTLE WHEELS"! You can be a "Big Wheel" by copping honors at the All-College Talent Show.

WANTED—Maid for fraternity house. Apply Beaver House or call 851 after 5:30.

LOST—Beer mug with sentimental value. Fraternity crest and name. Call 4975, ask for Chick.

ROOM for one male student. Call 4296. 222 West College Avenue.

TO PERSON who took B-15 flight jacket and gloves outside Room 8 Sparks—call Evans, 4402.

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## Collegian Gazette

All calendar items must be in the Daily Collegian office by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding publication.

### Wednesday, March 5

FROTH ADVERTISING Staff meeting, 9 Carnegie Hall, 4:20 o'clock.

PSCA Cabinet meeting, 304 Old Main, 6:30 o'clock.

HOME EC Club meeting, 110 Home Economics, 7 o'clock.

IMA Bowling, 7 o'clock.

CAMPUS CENTER Club meeting, 417 Old Main, 7:15 o'clock.

AG STUDENT Council meeting, 103 Agriculture, 8 o'clock.

IFC meeting, 110 Electrical Engineering, 7:15 o'clock.

WRA Modern Dance Club, dance room, White Hall, 7 p. m.

### At the Movies

CATHAUM: "The Locket," with Lorraine Day.

STATE: "The Return of Monte Cristo," with Louis Hayward.

NITTANY: "Sister Kenny," with Rosalind Russell.

### College Health Service

Admitted to the infirmary Monday: Richard Dengil and Ruth Gilmore.

Admitted Tuesday: Jeanne Haxton, Margaret Heagy and John Muhs.

Discharged Tuesday: William Ross.

### College Placement Service

The Bailey Meter Company will be represented on the campus Friday to interview graduating men from the ME curriculum.

A representative from Baugh and Sons will be on the campus Saturday to interview graduating men from the ChE curriculum.

The E. I. DuPont de Nemours Company will be represented on the campus, Monday and Tuesday, March 17 and 18, to interview graduating men from the following curricula: ChE, Ch, Cer, IE, ME, Mng and PNG.

The Kurt-Salmon Company will be represented on the campus Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 17, 18 and 19, to interview graduating men from the following curricula: IE and Ind. Psy.

Representative, from the Texas Co. will be on the campus Wednesday, March 12, to interview eighth semester, men from the following curricula: ChE, Ch, CCh, Phy, CE, EE, IE and ME.

The Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. will have representatives on the campus Thursday and Friday, March 13 and 14, to interview senior men interested in selling, credit and accounting.

## Penn State Class Rings

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• Open the Door, Richard

—by Louis Jordan

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—Three Sons

• Woodchopper Album

—Woody Herman

## The Music Room