

Women Transfer To Wear 'Soph Customs', Says WSGA

Cancer Drive Gains \$1,184

A check for \$1,084.33, representing the complete returns of the College campus drive in the recent campaign for funds of the Centre County Cancer Society, was received by Eugene Lee, county treasurer, Bill McMullen, State College area chairman of the drive, has reported.

Under the direction of Dr. Arthur F. Davis of the School of Physical Education, the campus drive was conducted by the Penn State Health Education Society and Phi Epsilon Kappa, with Miss Constance Miceli serving as general chairman.

Childhood Experiences Slant Adult Nutritional Behavior

Judges Visit Flower Plots For Field Day

Test gardens at the College, where thousands of annuals are growing in colorful profusion, will be inspected by specialists, seedsmen, and judges August 19, Flower Field Day, Darle I. Wilde, professor of horticulture, said today.

Specimens under test for possible All-America honors will be evaluated, along with new varieties to be introduced to trade in the future. Scores of new vegetable varieties, some promising hybrids, will be studied by similar judges.

Open to the public at all times, the gardens are located on the east side of the U. S. Pasteur Laboratory on East Pollack Road. Attendants are on hand daily to guide visitors and answer queries. Plants are all labeled.

The flower plots at the College are especially beautiful during present weeks, and will reach their peak within the next few days, Wilde said. Flower and vegetable plots are all part of the Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station at the College.

The largest flower group represented in the gardens is the 250 varieties of hybrid tea roses, which comprises one of the largest comparative plantings in the eastern United States.

All sophomore women transferring from undergraduate centers to the College this Fall will be required to wear sophomore customs the first week of school, said Suzanne Romig, president of Women's Student Government Association.

"Soph customs" will consist of blue and white hair bows, four inches wide and three quarters of a yard long, and name cards, three by four inches.

Sophomore women will be required to wear the ribbons and name cards from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday of sophomore week.

The purpose of Sophomore Week is to help new women on campus get acquainted with upperclassmen and to help them acquire Penn State's "hello spirit," Miss Romig added.

Stating that childhood experiences were, to a large extent, the determiners of nutritional behavior, Dr. Herbert T. Kelly, chairman on nutrition of the Medical Society of the state of Pennsylvania, warned nutrition workers that ignorance is one of the main obstacles to changing food habits.

Dr. Kelly spoke before a meeting of the Nutrition Workshop, sponsored by the American National Red Cross, Eastern area, at the College.

The first impressions the infant gains of the physical and emotional world are gained from his early feeding experiences, Dr. Kelly said. The way in which he is handled at this time may profoundly affect the development of his personality and future attitudes toward food. The emotionally secure mother with a gentle, affectionate and self-confident attitude develops in her baby a sense of security and enhances his opportunities for optimal growth and well-being, Dr. Kelly declared.

"Education is one of our most potent weapons," Dr. Kelly said, in solving the problem of nutrition deficiency. "Modern knowledge of infant feeding may well decrease the amount of rickets, tuberculosis, infant diarrhea and other diseases which often follow directly or indirectly upon poor feeding."

In general, Dr. Kelly said, food habits are determined by geography, economics, eating fashions, food fads, and food likes and dislikes. Children learn food likes and dislikes, he stated, through imitation, by objection to poor preparation and appearances, and in some instances, by bodily-offending chemical substances.

Men Disapprove Style Trend As Coeds' Skirts Lengthen

By Jean Alderfer

While nearly 100 per cent of the College men groan their disapproval, coeds' skirts have been dipping inches below their knees in past months.

Women students who came to Summer Sessions from small towns where the new fashion hadn't "caught on" spent several classes with coeds in calf-length dresses and busily let down their own hems.

A selected poll showed that while 47 per cent of the women on campus were ardent "long-hemmers," the 51 per cent who don't like longer skirts admitted they like hems a "little" longer.

Men interviewed at random dislike the new fashion.

Long-Legged Ideal

"What's going to happen to our ideal of the long-legged American girls?" said one. "Their legs look chopped off with long skirts."

Women who voted for the longer skirts, which means three or four inches below the knee, say that they are more flattering (especially to taller girls), more feminine, and besides, they "want a change."

The coeds who voted against lengthening hems almost unani-

mously said they like longer dresses more as they get used to seeing them. Asked if they were letting down hems from last year's dresses, most of them said they were.

Buyers in women's dress shops downtown confirm what fashion magazines show—Fall dresses at least 14 inches from the floor, inches longer than last year.

Some Men Like Them

"Lots of men who come in shopping with their wives like longer skirts," said one sa-esgirl. A buyer for another shop, a man, thinks the longer skirts are smart with heels, but that sandaled coeds with cotton skirts flouncing to their calves look "horrible."

Is the trend here to stay? Fifty-three per cent of the women think the fashion might last several years. Almost unanimously they think skirts will be the new length for several seasons.

"And I thought women dressed to please men," said one disgruntled veteran.

Forum Lists Hatcher Talk

A series of home economics forums on "Homes, Families, and Home Economics" are being held in 110 Home Economics at 4:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

"Family Life in Chile" will be discussed by Dr. Hazel Hatcher, professor of home economics education at the College, in tomorrow's program.

Lenore Brundige, fashions editor of the Pittsburgh Press, will speak on "Fashions for Fall" July 28. "Family Spending Patterns" by Frederica Carleton, associate professor of home economics at Syracuse University, is scheduled for July 30.

Dr. Winona L. Morgan, associate professor of home economics at the College, will lecture on "Responsibility of the Family for Democratic Living" August 6.

A June 1947 graduate, Miss Jean Nelson of Meadville has been named secretary to the dean of women.

Ind. Ed. Dames Attend Party

Wives of industrial education graduate students will attend a "get-acquainted" party at the Alpha Gamma Rho house, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, said Mrs. Fred L. Hoffman, president.

All wives of men in the industrial education department are eligible for membership in the group, Mrs. Hoffman added.

A campus tour July 31 and a dinner dance August 7 are on the main Summer Session roster. Committee in charge of Thursday's meeting is Mrs. Ellsworth Russell, Mrs. Jessie Winnimore, and Mrs. Everett Winslow.

Penn State Dames List Hort Picnic

All graduate students and their families are invited to attend the picnic sponsored by the Penn State Dames in Hort Woods, 5:30 p.m. tomorrow, said Mrs. Chris Groneman, Dames president.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. Robert M. Knobel, at the Summer Sessions office, 103 Burrowes, today. In case of rain, the picnic will be held in the Grange dormitory.

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