

## An Appeal to Town Residents

TO THE EDITOR: May I use the columns of your newspaper to address an appeal to the good sense and the better nature of the residents of State College?

Last Friday a student group started a boycott of the six local barber shops. The ultimate objective of this boycott is to ensure equal treatment of all patrons, regardless of color, in these shops. The immediate objective of the campaign is to show the barbers the attitude of the community towards acceptance of Negro patronage. Convince the barbers that their white patrons will not stay out of the shops when Negroes have their hair cut but only when Negroes are refused service.

Although the movement has been initiated primarily by students, it is highly desirable that it be supported by the permanent residents of the community. You have joined with students in cheering Barney Ewell and Wally Triplett at New Beaver Field. Your applause has mingled with that of the students when Marian Anderson and Carol Brice sang in Schwab Auditorium. There is no reason for your not joining the students now.

Here is your chance to show whether you are prepared to stand and be counted instead of paying lip service to democracy. Show how the barbers are insulting your intelligence in attributing this prejudice to you, their regular patrons. Now you can clear your conscience by showing that you do not acquiesce in these undemocratic practices.

I realize that this situation presents unique problems for the townspeople. You are members of a social group whose tendency may be to close ranks when one of your members feels he is being attacked. Perhaps you fear the reproach or reprisals which you believe in store for one who dares to desert the barbers in their mistaken attitude. Yet if you stand up as courageous Americans, I am

sure you will find many who will join you. Don't wait for the next fellow.

Of course, unlike the students, you cannot be expected to wait till you go home to get a haircut. If you are to cooperate in this demonstration for democracy, it will be necessary for you to hold out for a while, to improvise, perhaps even to visit other communities for a haircut. Any sacrifice you may have to make along these lines is trivial compared with the issues involved. If you do feel forced to visit your local barber for that Christmas haircut, have enough spunk to let him know you will come back just as regularly when he sees the light and accepts patrons regardless of color. All the other merchants and professional people in town have found that they can do business without drawing any color line. Encourage the barbers to join you in your democratic practices. Complete the overall bright local picture by removing this blot.

Some people may prefer to dodge the issue by questioning the motives of the participants in the boycott movement or by pointing to places where others discriminate. Such evasions are excuses for inaction and lack of courage. Let's judge this issue on its merits: are you for or against prejudice in the local barber shops?

This is the season when the emphasis is on peace and good will. I urge you to act so that when the students leave for their vacations, it may be with a feeling of good will towards the townspeople for their cooperation in a worthy cause. Is your expression of "good will toward men" to be shown up for all its emptiness by limiting it on the basis of color? For your own self-respect stand up and be counted for good will toward all men regardless of the pigmentation of their skin.

—Saul Isserow.

## Capital Alumni, Students Plan Informal Vacation Gathering

Students and recent alumni of the College from Washington, D. C., will hold an informal get-together in Washington at 8 p.m. next Wednesday, Dec. 22.

About 60 invitations have been sent to students and alumni. Fred Hazelwood, chairman of the committee in charge reported yesterday, adding that about 30 persons already have replied.

The affair, for which no definite program is being arranged, will be held in the 823 Club, at 823 Fifteenth street, N.W. Group singing is being planned.

Plans for the gathering were

formulated over the Thanksgiving vacation by students from Washington. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Hazelwood by phoning 4057. The party also will be open to non-residents who will be in Washington at the time, if they make reservations.

Others serving on the committee are Kitty Welsh, a graduate living in Washington; John Kerlin, graduate student on campus, and Bess Kriner and Sally Gillette.

## Scholarship Committee Sets Application Deadline

Applications for seven scholarships now available must be filed by Tuesday, Jan. 4, Dr. E. F. Osborn, chairman of the Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards, announced today.

The scholarships are the John W. White; the Louise Carnegie; the Class of 1922 Memorial; the Helen Wood Morris; the Vance C. McCormick; Lieutenant Harry Edward Wagner and the Class of 1920 Scholarship Awards.

In addition, 15 other scholarships, fellowships and awards are available this year. They are the C. F. Barclay, Julia K. Hogg Testimonial, Judge Benjamin F. Keller Memorial, Klapp Prize, McAlister, Alan Nutt Memorial, Charles Lathrop Pack Foundation Forestry Prize, President's Prize, Rehab Club Memorial, George T. Rogers Memorial, Elizabeth Stuart Shattuck Memorial, Har-

old B. Shattuck Memorial, State Federation of Pennsylvania Women, Ellen M. Stuart Memorial, and the John W. Stuart Memorial.

Members of the committee are: School of Agriculture, Dr. R. A. Dutcher, 110 Frear laboratory; Chemistry and Physics, Dr. H. K. Schilling, 101 Osmond laboratory; Education, Dr. C. O. Williams, 106 Burrows building; Engineering, L. S. Rhodes, 208 Engineering "A"; the Liberal Arts, Dr. Seth W. Russell, 132 Sparks building; Mineral Industries, Dr. Osborn, 222 Mineral Industries building; and Physical Education and Athletics, J. D. Lawther, 301 Recreation building.

Application forms are available in Room 221, Mineral Industries building.

## Keramos Installs Local Chapter

Installation of a national honorary and professional ceramic fraternity, Keramos, was completed Friday, December 3. The initiation ceremonies were held in the Mineral Industries Art Gallery, followed by a banquet and informal smoker in the State College Hotel.

The ceremony was the culmination of several years planning by undergraduates in the division of ceramics, who organized a local honorary ceramics fraternity, then petitioned the national fraternity for recognition and installation as the College chapter.

### Petition Approved

The petition was approved at the national convention of Keramos held in Chicago last spring.

A member of the Board of Trustees, Mr. R. W. Rowland, who devoted much time and effort to the establishment of the local chapter, was initiated as an honorary member. Dr. Edward

Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries; Dr. E. C. Henry, chief of the division of ceramics, and Dr. W. H. Earhart, assistant professor of ceramics, were initiated as faculty members.

### Student Members

Also initiated were Richard M. Smith, president of the new chapter; Richard F. Urban, vice-president; Donald F. Stock, secretary; Charles E. Brackbill, treasurer; David C. Skelly, herald; Lester D. Alspach.

Harold E. Sadwick, George R. Wisser, Harry W. Reid, Clarence M. Whitlow, Jr., Webster Caps, Clifford F. Hocker, Lawrence R. Sonders, William E. Counts, Dorothy P. Enright, Robert M. Gruver, J. Raymond Hensler and Guy E. Rindone.

The purpose of Keramos is to stimulate scholastic interest in ceramics and to cooperate with other chapters in other schools in matters of interest to ceramic students.

## Found: A Sport Coat, Lost Enroute To College

Because Mr. Frederick W. Koepnick of Philadelphia believes that honesty is the best policy, a College student will recover a lost sport coat!

The story begins in Clearfield where the Philadelphian was driving through several weeks ago and picked up two College students on their way back to State College. After Mr. Koepnick left State College, he discovered one man had left his sport coat in the car.

So, if you are the one who has lost the coat, Mr. Koepnick says he "... should like very much to return this garment to the proper individual..."

To save the owner contacting Santa Claus for a new coat, he may write to Mr. Koepnick at the North America Companies, 1600 Arch street, Philadelphia 1.

## Mountain Estate Near Hazleton To Become New College Center

As the result of a combination gift-purchase, the 66-acre Markle estate on the crest of the Conyngham Mountain near Hazleton will soon become the new campus of the Penn State Center in Hazle-

## Student Carolers Slog Amid Mush In Yule Serenade

Coeds and townspeople got a taste of what a rather wet heavenly chorus sounds like when the combined Treble Singers and Men's Glee Club—a 150-voice caroling mob—sloshed among the women's dorm grounds, around Co-op Corner and before the President's house Wednesday night.

Starting the pilgrimage at Mac Hall, the group went on to Grange, the Infirmary, Simmons and Atherton, spreading Christmas cheer and losing several participants at every stop.

Only the caretaker was home at the Milholland residence but the usual evening crowd heard the performance before the Main Gate Christmas tree.

Leaders of the group were Elmer C. Wareham, special graduate assistant in music education and director of the Treble Singers, and F. Hamer Campbell, graduate student in music education.

Nearly 300 new graduate students were admitted to the College this Fall, according to Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, College Examiner.

## Local Children Enjoy Christmas Party Tour

Many of the underprivileged children of this area are just a little bit happier this week as they sport their new ski sweaters, stocking caps and mittens they received on their tour of the party circuit. This was not the usual party circuit of a big weekend, for these parties were given by fraternities, sororities and other groups for the underprivileged children of the community.

This kind of party usually began when the first contingent of

## Faculty Briefs

Dr. Helen R. LeBaron and Dr. Eva D. Wilson, both of the department of home economics at the College, participated in the Nutritional Workshop which the department is conducting there at the request of the Red Cross.

Dr. Wilson spoke on "Food Needs and Problems of the Adolescent." Dr. LeBaron assisted the various groups as they worked together, drawing on her experiences with various phases of home and family life while she was head of the department of education at the University of Vermont.

Dr. Ellen D. Kelly, assistant professor of physical education and athletics at the College, participated at two sessions of the 27th annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation in Philadelphia last week.

As chairman of the school health policies committee, she spoke at one session on "A Program for Schools" and at another session she talked on "Tests and Measurements for High School Girls."

Viktor Lowenfeld, professor of art education at the College, was a recent guest lecturer at Teachers College, Columbia University, New York. He spoke on "Art As Rehabilitation for the Blind."

Three College department of home economics faculty members recently attended the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations in Chicago.

The group includes Delpha Wiesendanger, associate professor and assistant director of home economics; Mrs. Marion S. McDowell, associate professor of home economics; and Dr. William M. Smith, Jr., associate professor of home economics.

shy youngsters entered the door and were greeted by a group of college students eager to show the kids a good time. Then came the tug-of-war, in which four of five of the hosts would crowd around the guests, taking off coats, galoshes and mufflers. A barrage of questions somewhat reminiscent of the early days of rushing would follow. "What's your name?" "How old are you?" "Do you go to school?" By the time this chatter had subsided everyone was well acquainted and ready for dinner.

Dinner conversation ran along the line of the children telling their present hosts where they had been for a party Sunday and the "swell gifts they got there." Some of the older "more sophisticated" girls would talk about the Santa Claus who was really only a man dressed up in a red suit. At this part of the conversation one of the party hosts would always manage to change the conversation to the ice cream that would be served for dessert.

After dinner the climax of the party—the arrival of Santa would take place. In the midst of childish rendition of Jingle Bells, a well-padded pledge arrived with a mighty "HO! HO! HO!" and proceeded to take each child on his knee and hear his request. Santa would then distribute the dolls with the eyes that blink, the chattering tomy guns, and the wood-burning and painting sets.

The next minutes were spent in examining gifts and making sure that sister got the same kind of doll or that Jimmy's mittens are the right size. Finally the time came for the children to leave and after another struggle to get the kids back into their boots, snowpants and mufflers, the youthful guests made their exit. It was at this point that each of the hosts and hostesses fell back into their chairs and decided that children are fun—as long as they are someone else's.

## Prof. Ruth Graham Elected Secretary

Miss Ruth E. Graham, professor of home economics at the College, was elected secretary of the main planning committee at the conference of the Eastern College Clothing Teachers held recently in New York, N. Y. Her term will cover two years.

Professor Graham was also asked to compile and prepare the mimeographed report of the recent conference. This report is sent to all college and university directors of home economics, and to all college teachers of textiles and clothing who are members of the conference groups in the Eastern, Central and Western sections of the country.

Chimes in the tower of Old Main can be heard for 10 miles. Yet, when the hammer strikes the tiny metal coils, the sound is almost inaudible.

## HOLIDAY

An Adventure in Good Smoking

