

Hope Diamond Replica Is Part Of Gem Display

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The Hope diamond is a gem few Penn Staters ever expect to own, or even see. However, an almost real replica is on display here on campus.

This glass replica plus 26 replicas of other world-famous diamonds, including the Kohinoor, may be seen at the Mineral Science building.

Men have died, and kingdoms have been lost for the originals of these diamonds.

The Hope diamond is a typical example, because it is believed to bring bad luck to its owners, and its dark history includes deaths and misfortunes.

Some stories say it was once part of a larger diamond which belonged to Louis XIV. The Hope is valued at \$300,000 and was owned by Mrs. Edward McClean until her death.

Kohinoor Replica Displayed
Found in India, the Kohinoor, or mountain of light diamond, dates back at least 5000 years. It is supposed to bring bad luck to its male owners. This conclusion was reached after four of its male owners met with tragic accidents.

The Kohinoor was given to Queen Victoria in 1850, but failed to bring bad luck, because she was female.

Queen Victoria was not satisfied with the diamond, so she had it cut down from 190 to 106 carats to attain greater brilliance.

Kings Don't Want Kohinoor
No English kings have claimed the Kohinoor which proves the respect they have for the superstition connected with it. It now lies in Windsor castle.

In the same case with the diamond replicas, synthetic gems, presented by the Linde Air Products, are being displayed.

These include synthetic rubies, sapphires, corundums, spinels, and the boules from which each are cut.

A synthetic gem can only be detected from a real one by an expert. Both have the same physical properties of hardness and color.

The idea of the curator of the Mineral Industries school in setting up this display was that jewels must be seen to be appreciated.

Engagements

Caton-Riley

Dr. and Mrs. Francis A. Riley of Washington announce the engagement of their daughter Margaret Elisabeth Riley and Raymond Stanley Caton Jr. of Harrisburg.

Miss Riley is a senior in journalism and member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority of which she is social chairman. She is a member of sophomore board of Froth.

Mr. Caton has been teaching at Haverford school near Philadelphia since his graduation from College, last June. He was president of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and Lieutenant Colonel of Air ROTC during his senior year. He was also a member of Blue Key, Skull and Bones, Scabbard and Blade, and Glee Club.

The wedding will take place in Washington, June 23.

Jr. Panhel Party

Junior Panhellenic will hold a party for all delegates tonight at 7 o'clock in the Beta Sigma Omicron suite. The two junior Panhel delegates from each sorority are invited.

Phi Kappa Tau

Phi Kappa Tau fraternity entertained Delta Delta Delta sorority Sunday afternoon. A buffet dinner was served.

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Faculty-Student Acts Featured At LA Mixer

Two members of the faculty and three students will perform in the major acts at the second annual Liberal Arts mixer tonight.

Edwin Lefkowitz will be master of ceremonies and will be assisted by Lynn Christie, of the English Composition department. Christi and Ray Fortunate will put on a novelty act.

William Jeffries, soccer coach, will recite and sing in Scotch dialect and will present some Scotch dances.

Funnyman for the evening will be John Cox, who was master of ceremonies at the talent show, and Edward Rolf, who won third place in the talent show, will sing.

Several other acts are planned but have not been announced. Edward Shapken, president of the Liberal Arts student council said.

All students and faculty members of the Liberal Arts school are invited to the mixer, which will be held from 7:30 to 10 in the TUB. There is no admission, and refreshments will be served.

Music for dancing after the show will be provided by Darrell Rishel and his orchestra, and Isabel Cooper will sing.

Phi Mu

Phi Mu sorority observed the 99th anniversary of its national founding by holding a dessert party on March 4 in their suite. The State College alumnae chapter attended.

Prof. Speaks Before AAUW

Centralization in government tends to curtail freedom, Dr. M. Nelson McGeary, head of the Department of Political Science, said Thursday.

He spoke before the State College chapter of the American Association of University Women in the borough high school.

McGeary said that broad interpretation of the Constitution by the Supreme Court has given the federal government almost unlimited power. To combat this, citizens should become more interested in their local and state governments, he said.

He said he believed more women should run for office. McGeary also maintained that persons in non-paying public responsibilities should not be persecuted while others will not accept the positions. Severe, unjust criticism stops many from running for office, McGeary said.

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Delta Zeta

New pledges of Delta Zeta sorority are Dolores Dean, Dolores Hope, Helena Houtz, Joan Lee, Katherine Nicoll, and Mary Sullivan.

Nancy McClain was chosen "Dream Girl of Delta Zeta" at the annual Rose ball held at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house. Irene Stromayer was announced as the ideal pledge and received the pledge cup.

Theta Kappa Phi

National president of Theta Kappa Phi fraternity, Curtis F. Bayer, visited the Penn State Chapter for several days last week.

Triangle

Triangle fraternity was host to Frederick W. Neubauer, field secretary of the fraternity, from Thursday to Saturday. Neubauer is making an inspection tour of Triangle chapters.

Beta Sigma Omicron

Beta Sigma Omicron entertained Kappa Delta sorority at an informal party. A pantomime was presented by the Beta Sigs.

Pi Kappa Phi

Twenty-eight delegates of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity from State College attended a district convocation last weekend at Drexel Institute of Technology in Philadelphia.

A leadership and training school was conducted by Bernard Jones, executive secretary, and Glenn Stoudt, district Archon of the Penn State and Drexel chapters.

Pledgemaster Dale Metheny and acting chairman, Thomas Kingsland participated in quizzes with the Drexel officers. Both of the State delegates won prizes of song books.

The Drexel chapter also entertained State men Friday and Saturday nights with dances and parties.

Phi Kappa

Phi Kappa fraternity entertained Delta Gamma sorority. A short skit was presented during intermission on the dance floor. Music was provided by Arnie Taylor and his orchestra.

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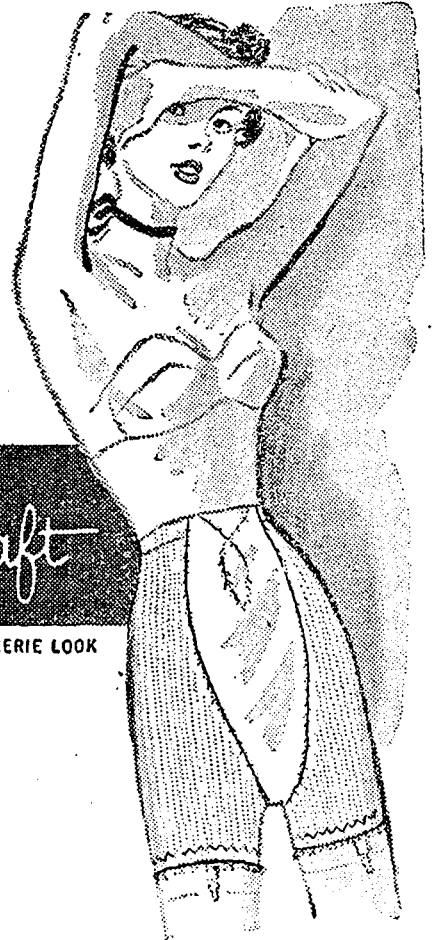
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