

# Young Grandma Is Noted Correspondent

By LILLIAN CASSEVER

Being the mother of two and the grandmother of four hasn't prevented May Craig from becoming one of the leading newspaper correspondents of the nation's capital.

Mrs. Craig will be guest speaker at the annual Matrix dinner sponsored by Theta Sigma Phi, women's journalism honorary, on April 16. For 25 years she has covered Washington and world news for the Guy Gannett newspaper of Maine. She is the only full-time Maine correspondent in Washington, and now writes exclusively for the Guy Gannett newspapers.

### Noted Questioner

Reading her daily newspaper column is a breakfast-table habit of Maine readers Mrs. Craig, noted for her fearless questioning of presidents and other officials at press conferences, and for her undaunted coverage of Washington news, has become the foremost woman reporter in Washington.

During the war Mrs. Craig, an accredited war correspondent, was decorated by the War Department for her service as a correspondent. In London during the V-bomb raids she covered the Normandy campaign, the liberation of Paris, and the German campaign. Even after the surrender of Germany she continued her coverage of foreign news by touring such Mediterranean trouble spots as Greece, Italy, Palestine, and Egypt.

### Studies DP Camps

In 1947 Mrs. Craig spent four months in Germany studying the occupation conditions. After the liberation of Austria she made a special study of the displaced persons camps in that country.

To get her stories, she has accompanied President Truman on his trips to Rio de Janeiro, to cover the Inter-American Security conference in 1947, and to Mexico City and Ottawa, to cover events connected with the revival of the Good Neighbor policy linking North and South America.

In Washington Mrs. Craig covers the Maine Congressional delegation, the White House, and governmental departments.

### "Meet the Press"

She has been chosen more frequently than any other woman correspondent to participate in the radio and television program "Meet the Press."

Mrs. Craig is the only woman ever to serve on the standing committee of correspondents who govern the press galleries of Congress. The University of Maine has awarded her an honorary degree of doctor of humane letters.

Although born in South Carolina, Mrs. Craig has spent practically all her life in Washington. She previously wrote for papers in Montana, North Carolina, and New York.



May Craig

## Co-Edits

### Kappa Delta

Kappa Delta sorority pledged Louise Banning on Saturday.

Mrs. Julia Fuqua Ober, national editor of the sorority, is visiting the chapter here this week. Tonight members of the KD alumni association of State College will entertain at a tea in McElwain lounge in her honor.

### Alpha Chi Omega

Newly-elected officers of Alpha Chi Omega sorority include Debbie Smedley, second vice-president; Ginny Laudino, corresponding secretary; Norrie McCormick, recording secretary; Marilyn Jones and Pat Blaney, rushing co-chairmen; Dree Eppley and Barbara Potts, social co-chairmen; Gracie Medford, activities; Carolyn Green, publicity; Nancy Showers, scholastic; Charlie Schvab, song leader, and Lee Harrison, house manager.

### Phi Sigma Sigma

The following are the recently elected officers of the pledge class of Phi Sigma Sigma: Audrey Lipsky, president; Carol Cohen, treasurer; Elsa Pasline, junior Panhel representative; Charlotte Selector, historian.

# Matrix Table Invitations Sent To 150 Women

Invitations have been sent to 150 outstanding women on campus for the annual Matrix Table. The dinner, which is sponsored by Theta Sigma Phi, national women's journalism honorary, will be held April 16 at the Nittany Lion inn. Invitations may be exchanged for tickets at Student Union until April 14.

Awards will be presented to three prominent women at the dinner. Quill girl award will be made to the president of WSGA, WRA or motor board, and will be elected by all women students. Matrix girl title will be given to a woman who has served the college without receiving previous recognition in Chimes, Cwens or Mortar Board. Cap girl is the woman with the most varied activities. Both cap and matrix girls are chosen by members of Theta Sigma Phi.

Mrs. May Craig, Washington correspondent and radio personality, will speak at the dinner. Mrs. Craig was inaccurately referred to as Miss Creg in Thursday's Collegian.

# Coeds Select Rooms Tonight

Room selections will be made tonight and tomorrow night in the dean of women's office, Mrs. Cordelia Hibbs, assistant to the dean of women in charge of housing, announced.

The schedule for tonight: 6:30 to 7, all seventh and sixth semester students; 7 to 7:30, all fifth semester students and fourth semester students with numbers 1 to 200, inclusive; 7:30 to 8, fourth semester students with numbers 201 to 350 inclusive; and 8 to 8:30, fourth semester students with numbers 351 to 560, inclusive.

Tomorrow night's schedule is: 6:30 to 7, all third semester students with numbers 1 to 85, inclusive; 7 to 7:30, second semester students with numbers 86 to 200, inclusive; 7:30 to 8, second semester students with numbers 201 to 310 inclusive; and 8 to 8:30, third semester students with numbers 311 to 320, and all first semester students.

The Pennsylvania State college was formerly the Farmer's high school in 1855; the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania in 1862. It became the Pennsylvania State college in 1874.

## Engagements

### Lordi-Scuderi

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scuderi, of Philadelphia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Diane, and Anthony Lordi, of Ellwood City, Pa.

Miss Scuderi, who was graduated last June, was a member of the Penn State Players and Theta Alpha Phi, dramatics honorary. Mr. Lordi was president of Alpha Phi Delta fraternity.

### Berkowitz-Tauder

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Tauder, of Philadelphia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marcia, and Jack Berkowitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berkowitz, of Philadelphia.

Miss Tauder is a student at the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Berkowitz, a member of Beta Sigma Rho fraternity, is a senior in economics and commerce at the College.

### Weinberg-Steelman

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Joan Steelman, of Washington, D.C., and Donald Weinberg, of Elkins Park, Pa.

Miss Steelman, a sophomore in liberal arts, is a member of Alpha Epsilon Phi sorority. Mr. Weinberg, who is a senior in economics and commerce, is a member of Beta Sigma Rho fraternity.

### Strittmatter-Bender

Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Bender of Carrolltown, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Nellie Lou, and Paul F. Strittmatter, son of Otto T. Strittmatter of Indiana, Pa.

Miss Bender is a senior in home economics and a member of Phi Mu sorority. Mr. Strittmatter was graduated last June and is a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

### Gross-Supnick

Dr. and Mrs. Jules Supnick of Philadelphia, announce the en-

gagement of their daughter, Marion, and Murray Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Gross of Detroit.

Miss Supnick is a junior in the School of Education. Mr. Gross, a graduate student, is in aeronautic engineering and is a member of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity.

## Penn State Dames

... are holding a benefit card party on April 4th at the Elks Club (119 S. Burrows St.) Play bridge, pinocle, canasta or "500." Buy tickets at the door.

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