

Former 'Player' Is Star In Hollywood

By MOYLAN MILLS

Don Taylor has come along way since the night he first nervously walked across the Schwab auditorium stage in the Players' production of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew."

That was back in 1942. Today Don is on his way to what may be Hollywood stardom. He is currently featured with Spencer Tracy and Elizabeth Taylor in "Father's Little Dividend," an MGM film now playing in State College.

Don has just been announced for a starring role with June Allyson and Van Johnson in the new MGM film "Too Young for Kisses." He has had feature roles in "Father of the Bride," "Battle-ground," and "Ambush."

Former classmate Ross Lehman, assistant secretary of the Alumni association, remembers Don as "sandy-haired, confident, and lively." While at Penn State, Don was active in Players and was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He was graduated in 1942.

Talent Scouts Tested Him
It was while Don was clowning through his role in "The Taming of the Shrew" that talent scouts saw him, gave him a screen test, and got him a film contract. He played bit parts in several productions until the World War II draft caught up with him.

Then came his big break. He nabbed a role of "Pinkie" in Moss Hart's stage production of "Winged Victory." Don had a tough time getting the role, but he worked hard for Hart and when the show opened in New York, he received very favorable notices.

An old basketball knee injury nearly kept Don from appearing in the show. He had applied for a part in the production when a recurrence of the old injury laid him up in the hospital for two weeks.

Only Pinky Was Left
By that time, every part had been cast but that of "Pinky," a smart-aleck air cadet. Don wrote letter after letter asking Hart for an interview for the role. Finally Hart gave him a chance to tryout when he couldn't find anyone else for the part.

Don read the role and Hart signed him immediately. He was so convincing in the stage production that his role was rewritten and greatly built up when the show was made into a movie.

Wife Was Leading Lady
While with the stage company, Don met his wife. She was the leading lady, Phyllis Avery. Don has remained in Hollywood since that time. He got his first feature role several years ago in Mark Hellinger's "The Naked City."

Frank S. Neusbaum, extension professor of dramatics with the College, says Don lives a quiet family life in a modest little home in the Hollywood suburbs. It was Neusbaum who directed Don in "The Taming of the Shrew" and who brought the talent scouts to see him.

Neusbaum says the Taylors have two small children and Mrs. Taylor has given up her career to take care of them.

Dorm, Leonides To Hold Dance

Leonides and the Barons, new East dorm social group, are sponsoring a "Dimensions in Music" dance from 8:30 to 12 p.m., Saturday at Rec hall.

The dance will feature the orchestras of Gene Magill, Darrell Rishel, and the Polka Kings. These orchestras will provide continuous music throughout the evening.

A mist-like effect will be created by pieces of dry ice set in a punch bowl in the middle of the floor. It will be literally dancing on a cloud. Another interesting feature of the dance will be the painting of the orchestra members hands with luminous paint.

Tickets for the semi-formal affair are \$2.50 per couple and will go on sale this week at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Back in the day when Penn State was known as the Farmer's high school, William G. Waring, great-grandfather of Fred and Tom Waring of orchestra fame, was a general superintendent of the College and professor of horticulture.

Sprenkle Is Named Quill Girl; Brunner, Halperin Also Cited



Barbara Sprenkle

Barbara Sprenkle, president of WSGA, was named Quill Girl at the annual Matrix Table, at the Nittany Lion Inn last night. Gay Brunner was named Cap Girl, and Sue Halperin was Matrix Girl. May Craig, writer and radio personality, spoke on her recent trip around the world.

Miss Sprenkle was elected Quill Girl by women students of the College last week. Other candidates were Janet Rosen, president of Mortar Board, and Mary Ellen Grube, president of WRA.

Brunner Chosen For Activities
Miss Brunner was chosen Cap Girl by members of Theta Sigma Phi, women's journalism honorary, which sponsored the dinner, because of her varied activities. In addition to being president of Cwens, and Delta Gamma sorority, and chairman of the WSGA judicial committee, she was vice-president of Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman scholastic honorary, secretary-treasurer of Treble Singers, vice-president of the Chapel choir, a member of Mortar Board, Pi Lambda Theta, Louise Homer club, Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, Hat societies council, All-College cabinet, WSGA senate, and Community Concert committee.

Halperin Named For Service
Miss Halperin was also chosen by members of Theta Sigma Phi, because she has served the College without being recognized by Chimes, Cwens or Mortar Board. She is treasurer of Sigma Delta Tau sorority, circulation manager of La Vie, Senior board of Collegian, publicity chairman of WSGA, a member of Psi Chi, inaugural ball committee, Panhellenic council, and special events chairman of the WSSF drive.

Craig Speaks On Travels
May Craig, Washington correspondent for the Guy-Gannett newspaper chain, spoke to the

guests on her recent air trip around the world. Mrs. Craig visited Japan, India, Germany and numerous other countries, and in her speech she linked anecdotes about her trip with experiences she has had in Washington.

Invitations were sent to 150 outstanding senior women to attend the Matrix Table which has been held by Theta Sigma Phi since 1937.

Co-Edits

Delta Gamma

Eleven delegates of the local chapter of Delta Gamma sorority attended a provincial convention at Gettysburg. The six other colleges to send representatives were, University of Pennsylvania, Carnegie Institute of Technology, University of Maryland, University of West Virginia, American university and George Washington university.

Delta Zeta

State College alumni of Delta Zeta sorority entertained the activities of pledges at a bridge and canasta party, Thursday at the University club.

A Xi D Names Woman Of Year In State College

Mrs. Leonard A. Doggett, of State College, was named Woman of the Year by the College chapter of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, Saturday night at the annual Founder's Day banquet at the Nittany Lion Inn.

Doris Anne Free of State College, vice-president of the active chapter, introduced Mrs. Doggett to those present, including alumnae members.

Mrs. Doggett, a member of the board of trustees of the Centre County Hospital and of the State College Board of Health, was selected because of her outstanding work in the field of medical health.

Mrs. Doggett, a founder of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority chapter at the College, came to State College in 1923. She is a graduate of the Graduate Hospital of Philadelphia. During World War I, Mrs. Doggett served as a nurse and was cited for her work in Italy. She is the first woman to serve on the Centre County Hospital Board of Trustees and on the State College Board of Health.

In September of 1949, Mrs. Doggett was named the recipient of Benjamin Rush Award by the Pennsylvania State Medical Society for the "lay individual making the most outstanding contributions to the health of the people of the area in which she lives."

The State College woman has traveled widely with her husband and is known through the community for her work in ceramics, the proceeds of which go to her church.

Engagements

Kury-Lanphier

Mrs. Basil Lanphier, of Lebanon, Pa., announces the engagement of her daughter, Patricia Ann, and Francis S. Kury, also of Lebanon.

Miss Lanphier is a junior in home economics and is a member of Phi Mu sorority.

Mr. Kury, who formerly attended Lebanon Valley College, is now in the army, stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

Bonn Mot

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See the Dancer. He has had professional training from the Nijinsky Correspondence School of the Modern Dance, and he wants everyone to know it. His partner hasn't touched the floor in three dances now and is growing airsick. He knows he is being admired because all the people are giving him a big space in the middle of the floor. Occasionally he tramples a couple not quite fast enough on its four feet to duck him. He then murmurs something about the "dearth of culture of the lower classes," and flings himself on. The Dancer has no friends, but he is an Artist.

So you can really have fun at these dances. You can get a big kick out of this passionate pageant, these spinning specimens. You can, that is, unless you have that peculiarly unfortunate type of mind that will suddenly say, "Yeah, but what do I look like to them?"

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is will form the twosome for the No. 2 team, while the No. 3 combine remains a question mark.

Wood, Bigott, and sophomore Bill Ray, a newcomer to Penn State tennis, will be vying against each other for the No. 3 doubles team.

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Temperature

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Temperature may change markedly within a week's time, sometimes "blotting out" a stretch of water that previously had been very productive. Harvey explains that brook trout will migrate once the reading reaches 70 degrees—and stays there for a period of five or six hours—while rainbows and brownies will do likewise when the reading ascends to 75 degrees or thereabouts.

Trout, the Penn State expert explains, will seek out cooler water when marked changes in temperature occur—adding that most marked changes usually occur during the first two weeks of June.

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