

You A Spelunker? Contact Dr. Frost

Do you want to spelunk? Then the man to see is Dr. S. W. Frost, professor of economic entomology at the College.

Dr. Frost has been spelunking for 25 years. He began his activities at Cornell university when he became interested in hunting insects in unexplored caves.

A spelunker, in case you haven't heard, is an amateur speleologist. A speleologist is a scientist who explores caves.

Dr. Frost and 11 others at the College have rejuvenated the Nittany Grotto, which was formerly a spelunking society at Penn State in 1949.

New Members Sought

The Nittany Grotto will hold a meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. in 315 Frear to propose projects for future explorations. Dr. Frost has indicated that he wants new members for the society who are interested, either for science's sake or for mere curiosity, to attend the meeting.

The organization has planned research in water flow and rock formations, and will need students in the School of Mineral Industries for such work. Members have already studied fungus growth, insects, and bat migration.

Field Trips Planned

The society plans to take a field trip at least once a month. It was host to groups from Connecticut and Cornell on April 7. The three organizations toured Aitkin cave in Mifflin county and found bats, banded 10 years ago by Cornell students, that had returned to their habitat.

Members have discovered several small caves, among them one that goes 90 feet below the surface of the earth, near Aitkin cave. Aitkin is one of the largest caves in the state, Dr. Frost pointed out.

Frost Grotto President

The Nittany Grotto is a member of the National Speleological society. Dr. Frost is president of the Grotto, Dr. Charles Rutschky is secretary, and Edward Raffensperger, a graduate student, is treasurer.

Dr. Frost said he hopes to keep the organization alive by having professors head it. Interest has died out in the past because of lack in faculty interest.

So, if you want to spelunk, band bats, or just crawl around on your stomach in the dark, the group for you is the Nittany Grotto.

Tour Planned For Summer

A Latin American tour including a study of Indian cultures and historic places of Mexico, Guatemala, Peru, and Haiti will be sponsored this summer by the College extension service.

Dr. William H. Gray, professor of Latin American history at the College, will be in charge of the instruction program, arranged in cooperation with Study Abroad staff members in New York. The tour, lasting from July 7 to August 3, will accommodate 50 students, faculty members, or townspeople.

Major points of interest to be studied are Mexico City with its floating gardens of Xochimilco and bull fights; the giant Aztec pyramids to the sun and moon at Teotihuacan; the earthquake ruins at Antigua; the Indian fair at Guatemala; the voodoo dances and Emperor Christophe's citadel in Haiti; and the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the University of Lima in Peru. "Contrasts in civilization for which the American continents are noted will be clearly in evidence," Dr. Gray said.

Local arrangements for persons planning to enroll for extension credits in this course, to be known as the Colonial and Social History of Latin America, can get complete information from Hugh G. Pyle, supervisor of informal instruction for the College's general extension services. A chartered airplane will be used for transportation.

Eng Council Constitutional Change Passed

An amendment to the constitution, making it optional to elect the president from either the present or incoming council, was passed by a 22-2 vote at the Engineering student council meeting Tuesday night.

The new amendment states that officers will be elected at the second meeting following elections of the new general council. The president may be elected from either the old or new members. Other officers will be elected from incoming members only. Only general members may hold office, and must be elected by a majority of the voting members.

Council president Raymond Miller announced that the proposed Student Concessions association, which would handle the concessions at Beaver field during football games, was approved by the Student Agency council and is now waiting to go to the Student Affairs committee.

Miller also announced that nominations for next year's council will be open next Monday and will remain open through Friday, April 27. Elections will take place May 1 and 2.

The council is nominating Prof. N. R. Sparks and Associate Prof. Louis Berger to receive student body awards on Honor day.

Three Women Debaters Win Over Lafayette

Three members of the College women's debate team completed a five-day tour of four men's colleges last week by defeating Lafayette in a surprise radio debate.

Yvonne Carter, Janet Horger, and Peggy Crooks debated the affirmative of the national intercollegiate debate question against Princeton, Rutgers, Lehigh and Lafayette. All debaters were supposed to be non-decision.

However, before debate time at Lafayette, the women were told that the debate was to be a decision broadcast meet, which the women won. While at Rutgers, they also met Michigan State in a special debate. Michigan State and the College women were debating Rutgers at the same time.

Jones, Snyder, Mong Win PSCA Elections

Patricia Jones and Donald Snyder were elected to serve on next year's coordinating committee of the Penn State Christian association at a business meeting Tuesday night. Robert Mong was elected as a student representative to the PSCA board of directors. The elections were held to break tie votes resulting from last week's elections.

Draft Test Forms No Longer Here

Applications for draft deferment qualification tests are no longer available at the College, the dean of men's office said yesterday.

Students wishing to apply for the test must appear in person at the Bellefonte draft board or their own boards. They should have with them their draft registration or classification cards.

Each student must get his own application form.

Debaters 'Capture' Prisoners

By MOYLAN MILLS

"They're the kind of women I'd like to have for my lawyers," was one of the remarks overheard as two College women invaded Rockview penitentiary for a debate with Oswego State Teachers college Monday night.

Lois Pulver and Greta Weaver debated the affirmative of the national, collegiate debate question against Oswego's Mel Boskin and Joseph Bernstein in the prison auditorium before a large audience.

Debate Non-Decision

The debate was a non-decision debate which the women's debate team schedules every year for the prisoners. The audience at first seemed to favor the negative side of the question but soon burst into loud applause as Miss Weaver and Miss Pulver tore into the Oswego arguments.

An open forum scheduled to follow the debate was canceled because of a fist-fight which developed among the prisoners during a similar forum several years ago.

Mouse Appears

The only disrupting occurrence this time was the sudden appearance of a mouse on the platform in the middle of the debate. The debaters didn't notice it but the audience did. When a ripple of laughter swept the hall, the girls thought the prisoners were laughing at them until they were later told about the mouse.

Miss Weaver said she was just as glad that she hadn't noticed the mouse. However, the seven members of the women's debate team who accompanied Miss Weaver and Miss Pulver reported they were terrified just from sitting in the front row and watching the mouse run across the platform.

The debate party was taken on a tour of the prison following the debate. Miss Weaver said the prison was kept in immaculate condition. She was much impressed by the murals which the prisoners, in their spare time, had painted on the dining commons walls.

Weaver Apprehensive

Miss Weaver said members of the group were apprehensive when they first entered the prison, were ushered through several thick iron doors, and were counted. She said the group was also counted upon leaving. "However, we were very well treated in the prison," Miss Weaver added.

Clayton Schug, women's debate coach, accompanied the group. Members of the women's team who also made the trip were Ethel Brown, Marilyn DuPont, Shirley Gallagher, Alice Murray, Eileen Olessker, Patricia Shaffer, and Marlene Zilberberg.

Cercle Francais And French Class To Present Play

Cercle Francais, the College's French club, in collaboration with the students of the French 301 class, will present Tristan Bernard's comedy "L'Anglais Tel Qu'On Parle" tonight at 7 o'clock in 405 Old Main.

Constant misunderstanding is the prevalent theme in this famous play, which satirically treats the troubles encountered by an American father in Paris who is responsible for his five daughters. His French vocabulary consists of only one mispronounced word, but he is still able to triumph for the cause of law and morality.

Members of the cast are Barbara Charles, Prim Diefenderfer, Norman Duffy, Clark Isenberg, Nevin Moul, Grace Barello, Eleanor Pupo, Eva Stein, and Pauline Trego. Prof. O. A. Haac of the Department of Romance Languages supervised the presentation.

Three small skits and the film "Flight to the Riviera" are also planned for the program. The meeting is open to the public.

Orientation Forms Still Obtainable

Applications for Orientation counselors are still available at the dean of men's office, David Ludwig, committee chairman announced yesterday.

The committee has begun preliminary screening of the applications thus far received, he said, but due to the uncertainties of the draft status of most of the men at the College more applicants are deemed necessary.

He said that many men must return to the campus ahead of time and could very easily fill a counselor's job, which requires about three hours during Orientation week. He added that fraternity and independent men alike return early in order to prepare for the coming semester.

Coaly Society Will Take In 45 Ag Students

Forty-four men and one woman in agriculture will receive invitations today for initiation into the Penn State Coaly society, new agriculture honorary.

These charter members of the society will represent the most active students in the School of Agriculture, Charles Zellner, group spokesman, said yesterday.

More than 90 applications for membership were received by the selections committee, from which the 45 were selected. The all-College average of those tapped is close to a "2", Zellner added. He said this indicates that the most active students are also the best scholastically.

Present Constitution

The initiation for the members will take place April 30 at Sigma Pi fraternity. At that time, the honorary committee, formed by the Agriculture student council, will present the charter members with the constitution. Official recognition for members will take place at the Agriculture coffee-hour on May 17.

Thirty-four of those accepted were seniors and the remaining 11 were juniors. Juniors who failed to gain membership this year may apply next semester. Seniors are being honored through membership, although they will soon graduate.

To Announce Initiates

Members of the society come from 12 departments in the School of Agriculture. Names of initiates will be announced at a later date. Those receiving invitations should return the postcard enclosed at once, Zellner said.

The honorary committee consists of Zellner, chairman; Prof. Carrol Hess, Prof. David Worley, Joseph Breisch, Jack Davies, William King, Donald Lutz, and Wesley Menzel.

NSA Sponsors Fall Conclave

About 50 student leaders will meet with administrators at an off-campus conference this fall, Clair George, National Student association encampment program chairman, said yesterday.

The meeting will take place shortly before Orientation week at a camp site such as Mont Alto. Members of All-College cabinet and other student leaders will make plans for the year's work, discuss problems of leadership, parliamentary procedure, and ways to improve the College activity program.

The conference, originally scheduled for April or May, was postponed because of lack of availability of a suitable camp site.

The "Rides Wanted, Passengers Wanted" sheets will be moved from the bulletin board outside the Student Union desk in Old Main to the TUB next week, John Beiter, chairman of a special NSA committee, announced yesterday.

Each sheet will be for a specific vicinity such as Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton, and Erie. Beiter asks students to cross their names off the list after the sheets are filled.

State Club May Direct Lions' Show

The Penn State club may direct a series of talent shows to be sponsored by Lion clubs in the State College area, according to a report presented by Moylan Mills at the club's regular meeting Tuesday night.

Mills who, along with Joseph Rubert, recently discussed the proposal with members of the Centre Hall Lions club, said that the semester is too far along to carry out such a show now, but that the Centre Hall club had signified their intention of sponsoring such a show next fall and other clubs in the area seemed interested. He said the club would handle all technicalities of direction and programing for the show, as well as provide talent if there was not enough available in the local communities.

Club Receives 50 Per Cent

The club, Mills said, would probably receive about 50 per cent of the profits.

Lewis Hoover, social chairman of the club, announced that a stag party will be held this Saturday for members at the American Legion cabin. He said members should meet in the club room Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

Mixer Plans Set

Hoover also reported that plans had been completed for a mixer with Kappa Phi sorority next Saturday afternoon.

President Joseph Lipsky announced that the club's annual invitation semi-formal dance will be held May 11. He appointed committees to make arrangements for the dance.

The club approved a motion to set aside \$100 not to be used by the club until next semester.

Lipsky announced that the next meeting will be held May 1, and at that time nominations will be opened for new club officers. Elections are scheduled for May 15.

Phi Psi Council Convenes Here

Delegates from ten colleges will convene today at the College chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity for the Third District council of the fraternity.

Fifty undergraduate and alumni members will attend the convention which will end Saturday. This is the first time the council has been held at the College chapter.

Guest speakers for the convention will be A. R. Warnock, emeritus dean of men; John Henry Frizzell, chaplain emeritus; and Seth Russell, assistant dean of the Liberal Arts school.

The opening social activity will be an informal smoker tonight. Tomorrow night the convention banquet and a special party will be held. The annual Third District council ball will be held Friday night. Skip Reider and his band will provide music for the affair.

Colleges sending delegates are Washington and Jefferson; Allegheny; West Virginia; Ohio Wesleyan; Wittenberg; Ohio State; Case Tech; Bowling Green State; and Toledo.

Egolf President Of Ed. Council

Ralph Egolf, a sixth semester education major, was elected president of the education student council at the council's meeting last Monday night. Marianne Whitely was elected vice-president, and Ruth Eddy, secretary-treasurer.

A report on the council's constitution was read by Jane Stieber. The group is in the process of attempting to adopt a new constitution, and several sections of it were adopted at the session.

It was proposed that the council write a letter to the state legislature concerning the Communist loyalty oath bill. The proposal was referred to a committee.