

Prof. Schug Guides Women Debaters

Clayton S. Schug, associate professor of public speaking, this year celebrates his 20th anniversary as coach of the women's intercollegiate debate squad at the College.

Women's debate has greatly expanded during this 20-year period. In 1931-32, there were just three members on the squad, and only eight intercollegiate debates were scheduled. This year there are 22 coeds on the squad, and about 82 debates have been scheduled throughout the debate season.

Lois Pulver, women's debate manager, feels that debating is one of the most valuable activities on campus. "Debating helps to develop poise and the ability to think on one's feet. It also provides an added incentive to keeping abreast of world affairs," Miss Pulver said. She added that the trips which the team takes are lots of fun.

Open To All
Women's debate is open to all coed undergraduates at the College. Tryouts are held at the beginning of each semester. During recent years, such topics as nationalization of basic industries, federal aid to education, labor-management relations, increased presidential powers, and capitalism versus socialism have been debated.

In the 20 years that Prof. Schug has been coach, the women's debate squad has won many first places and championships in debate and forensic tournaments. In 1950, the women's team won the title of Grand National women's debate champions at the Grand National Tournament at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Va. This year the women's affirmative team placed second in the Grand National "Big Ten."

Throughout the debate season, members of the squad travel to various colleges to attend tournaments or to debate individual schools. Some of the colleges and universities against whom the women have debated are George Washington, Georgetown, Princeton, Temple, LaSalle, Carnegie Tech, Duquesne, Bucknell, Lehigh, Tennessee, Texas, Florida, Michigan State, West Virginia, Syracuse, Richmond, Rutgers, Johns Hopkins, and Lafayette.

Although the women's team de-

bates against many men's teams from other colleges, men and women from Penn State have never debated together on a mixed team. Last year, however, the women's team debated against the College men's team.

Prof. Schug recalls many interesting anecdotes in his years as coach of women's debate. Once, he said, a coed who was scheduled for an exhibition debate at Rockview State Penitentiary became so excited over the prospect of debating before the prisoners that she forgot to take her notes along, and had to debate without them.

The debate coach also recalls the time when a novice coed debater piled a stack of notes on the speaker's stand. A sudden gust of wind from an open window scattered the notes throughout the audience, leaving the bewildered coed in a rather embarrassing position.

One of Prof. Schug's favorite stories concerns a coed who was so nervous at debate tryouts that she broke down completely. Despite her tears, however, Prof. Schug "had a hunch" that she had the potentialities for becoming a debater. He kept her on the squad, and later she became one of the College's outstanding coed debaters.

All members of the women's debate team are invited to join Delta Alpha Delta, local professional women's debate society. Every fall the society sponsors a tea to welcome new debaters, and in the spring sponsors an intramural discussion on a current issue among coeds at the College.

Delta Chi

Delta Chi fraternity entertained Delta Delta Delta sorority Sunday afternoon at the chapter house. Skits, volleyball, and dancing were included in the entertainment. Refreshments were served.

Engagements

Kaplan-Barasch

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Barasch, of Connellsville, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Audrey, to R. Edward Kaplan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kaplan, of McKeesport, Pa.

Miss Barasch is a sophomore in the School of Liberal Arts, and is a member of Phi Sigma Sigma sorority. Mr. Kaplan is a graduate of Washington and Jefferson college, and is a member of Phi Lambda Phi fraternity.

IE Meeting Tonight

The Industrial Educational Society will hold a meeting at 7 tonight in 111 Carnegie Hall, according to Joseph E. Podrazik, publicity agent of the club.

Mr. Schlow who will be the speaker will talk on his experiences in industrial education, he said.

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'Miss State' Finalists To Be Chosen Tonight

The Spring Week committee will meet tonight to pick the four finalists in the Miss Penn State contest from the 50 entries submitted.

Clair George, in charge of the coronation, said yesterday that four finalists would be chosen as last year.

The judging will be done from photographs submitted with the entries.

Miss Penn State will be chosen from among the four finalists at the coronation ceremonies in Schwab auditorium, Tuesday evening, May 15.

Alpha Pi Mu

Alpha Pi Mu, industrial engineering honorary society elected the following officers: William Hewton, president; Frederick Reihold, vice-president; William Valego, recording secretary; Gorman Fisher, corresponding secretary; Louis Haeffner, treasurer; Edward Andreysick, student council representative; and Prof. M. M. Babcock, advisor.

Psych Films Tonight

The Psychology Club will show two psychological films at 7:30 tonight in 204 Burrows.

The films deal with training Air Force doctors on combat fatigue.

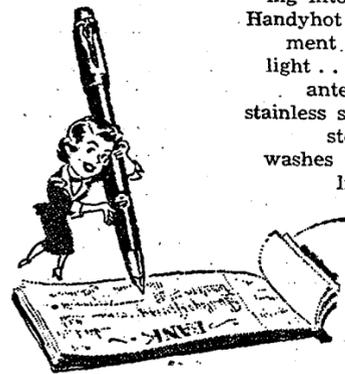
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