

# Martha Baltzell Is 27th May Day Queen

When Martha Baltzell is crowned May Queen this afternoon, she will become Penn State's 27th May Day Queen.

The first May Queen, Mildred Ride, was crowned on May 23, 1914, in front of Woman's Building. That May Day was a charity affair, with a charge of 25 cents for reserved seats and 15 cents for general admission. Proceeds were contributed to a hospital fund.

Although this first May Day was planned as an annual affair, it was discontinued in the next several years and not revived until 1921.

### Holmes Field

In 1921 ceremonies were again held on the lawn of Woman's Building, but in 1926 the ceremony was moved to Holmes Field, and in 1927 to the front campus. Because of construction work there, the ceremony was again returned to Holmes Field, where it has been held for the past two years.

This year is the first since 1948 that the ceremonies have been held in front of Old Main.

Originally May Day was conducted by the Department of Physical Education, but as the ceremony expanded, the major responsibility was placed with the WSGA house of representatives.

### May Day Chairman

Virginia Miller, former vice-president of WSGA, is chairman of this afternoon's May Day ceremony. Barbara Sprengle, past president of WSGA, will have the honor of crowning the queen.

May Day has expanded into one of the major spring activities on campus, with great crowds, including many parents, attending the ceremony every year.

Heralds, jesters, Maypole dancers, members of the hemlock chain and honor arch, and attendants are all a traditional part of May Day.

Musical organizations participating in this year's program are Treble Singers and the College Prep Band.

Every year the question of whether the State College weather is going to come through with a sunny, gay May Day causes a lot of headaches and bad nerves. In case of rain this afternoon's ceremony will be held in Recreation Hall.

## The Way

(Continued from page four)

that I never have been and never could be (a Communist)."

Student members of the forum committee wired Lerner that they still desired to have him speak, but that they lacked the funds to pay his expenses, let alone the \$300 fee. Lerner replied that he would forego the \$300 fee. Student backing for Lerner seemed strong, and unless we are misinformed, the money will be raised to pay his expenses.

To replace Lerner on the University Memorial Forum the committee has chosen none other than Sen. Joseph McCarthy. The committee might find millions of Americans who would contend that Lerner would better serve "to develop a citizen program for bringing distinguished speakers to the campus," which is the purpose of the series.

There are millions who disagree with what the Wisconsin senator has to say. But we cannot afford to allow anybody to interfere with his right to say it. We especially dare not take a public forum away from a man on charges as flimsy as those which have been made against Lerner. If being charged with being a Communist were sound enough reason for such

## Mother's Day Also Honors Housemothers

Tomorrow is Mother's Day. For weeks radio announcers have been oozing, "How's Mother? Have you remembered . . . ?" Those who read have seen the same question posed, "How's Mother? Come in to our special sale, and choose a lovely . . ."

During all this commercial propaganda, has it ever occurred to you that the phrase "how's Mother" sounds very much like "housemother?"

Housemother—that word can start a mental chain reaction faster than almost any other word in a campus vocabulary.

Everyone at Penn State knows some routine housemother jokes, and every dorm-housed coed knows what she considers some routine housemothers.

### Housemothers Different

Unknown to some is the fact that there is no stereotyped house mother, with a standard personality and old-fashioned attitudes. Every house mother is as distinctively different as is our campus architecture.

Because of the exercise of a strong women's student government, housemothers are relieved of much disciplinary control.

Their most important duties are not to conduct room inspection, check the sign-out sheets, or saunter through the lobby at 1 a.m., but to be available when needed to lend advice.

### Interest and Guidance

A dorm hostess, concerned with the health and happiness of "her girls" does many unnoticed things for their benefit. She offers them security, affectionate interest, and mature guidance—needed by every girl when away from home and parental say-so.

The duties of housemothers and home mothers are closely parallel, which brings us back to the subject at hand—Mother's Day.

Just as mothers often do not receive due credit, except when publicly recognized, so gratitude toward housemothers and appreciation of their admirable work generally is somewhat lacking.

Tomorrow is the day when the whole nation pauses to honor the greatness of mothers. And included in this honor is the dormitory hostess, the housemother.

action, the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and countless other reputable people would also become ineligible.

Charges of Communism are serious. People who make such charges—like Sen. McCarthy—should be compelled to prove them.

Lerner said he has accepted the invitation of the students "because it is important for students everywhere to have the chance for competition of ideas."

Both Lerner and Sen. McCarthy are scheduled to speak tomorrow. The competition should be keen. It should prove to be the kind of competition of ideas which is characteristic of American democracy.

## Co-Edits

### Sigma Nu

David Bischoff is the new commander of Sigma Nu fraternity. Other officers are John Hoerr III, lieutenant commander; James T. Wharton, treasurer; Joseph Rosshirt, house manager; Stuart Butz, assistant treasurer; Michael E. Kirshner, recorder; Ralph De Lucia Jr., chaplain; Samuel Lemmon Jr., reporter; Leo Lemley, alumni contact officer; Richard Cripps, marshal; Frederick Bigony, sentinel; and James Diehl, historian.

### Alpha Omicron Pi

Alpha Omicron Pi sorority entertained Kappa Delta Rho fraternity at a picnic and scavenger hunt at the fraternity house. The sorority also entertained Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

### Beta Sigma Omicron

Members of Beta Sigma Omicron sorority will hold a combined bazaar and bake sale this morning from 9:30 to 12 at the Nittany Electric Co. on College avenue.

### West Dorm Dance

Skip Reider's orchestra will play tonight from 9 until midnight at an informal dance in the West Dorm lounge.

Delta Tau Delta, in 1872, was the first fraternity established at the College, but the faculty disapproved and it was promptly eliminated.

### Penn State Club Holds Semiformal Tonight

"Pageant in Purple" is the theme of the Penn State Club's spring semiformal dance which will be held tonight from 9 to midnight at the University Club. Admission to the dance will be by invitation only.

### ARO TO ELECT OFFICERS

Election of officers will be held tomorrow night by Alpha Rho Omega, Slavonic society, in 304 Old Main. The possibility of a spring picnic will also be discussed.

The first set of rules for the College was instituted by the first president, Evan Pugh, and was drawn up, published and put into effect in 1860.

## CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

TRAILER 27 foot. Call Howe 6595. Wooddale Park.

1947 STEWART 27' House trailer. Excellent condition. 3 room type, insulated addition, blonde plywood interior. 322-B Winderest.

1948 MERCURY 6 passenger convertible. Radio, heater, spotlight, white sidewall tires. Reasonable price. Call 230 S. Frazer St.

FULL CUT size 44 Tex. Black. Excellent condition. Exceptional offer and buy. Call Art Stolper 6939.

TRAILER 1947 Zimmer 27 ft. Tandem. Good condition. Extra large porch. Tom Carbarnes, Wooddale Park. Call 6595.

GOLF CLUBS two woods: complete set of ten irons. Call J. King 4923.

20' SCHULT TRAILER, good condition, venetian blinds, sleeps 4. \$500. 721 Winderest, after 5.

SALE: 1941 SPECIAL Delux Plymouth 4-door sedan. Good condition. \$490. Call Wilmer 4677 after 7:00 p.m.

### FOR RENT

ROOM FOR Rent: Enjoy summer school. Room and/or board. Call Bob Scullin, 6311. Theta Kappa Phi

ROOM AND BOARD at Kappa Delta Rho for all summer sessions. Contact Bob Hosler or Don Carbaugh. Telephone 2337.

ROOM and BOARD for summer. Theta Xi. Call 2161. Open all summer.

2 SINGLE ROOMS for boys (quiet) in a private home available for summer as soon as semester is over. Call 4279.

LET'S STAY at the Hotel Chi Phi this summer under looking beautiful Mt. Nittany. Call 4332 today.

DON'T BE isolated. Stay on campus this summer. Room, board at Alpha Zeta. Call Earl Rumberger 7621.

### LOST

ALPHA LAMBDA Delta pin, small gold candle with ruby and pearl. Thursday. Please call 320 McElwain.

### ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM and BOARD offered at Lambda Chi Alpha for all summer sessions. Contact Bob Entorline. Telephone 2602.

REAL EASY living at Theta Chi. Room and/or Board for all summer sessions. Call 3915 or 4702.

### MISCELLANEOUS

IF YOUR typewriter needs repairs just call 2192 or bring machine to 653 W. College Ave. Mr. Beatties' 28 years experience is at your service

NOTICE TO all College employees. In this special campaign for new members, it is not necessary to have a sponsor to join the Centre County Motor Club.

EXCELLENT FOOD, private tennis court, adjoining study rooms and bedrooms. Room and board or board only; Delta Tau Delta 4979.

LOOK AT this summer school offer—20 full course meals, large clean rooms—\$14 a week. Phi Sigma Kappa 4939.

COME TO the Beta Sigma Omicron Bazaar and Bake Sale at the Nittany Electric this morning.

## This Weekend Take Advantage of OUR FREE OFFER



### Mother's Day

means Mother will be on campus, so you can capture her against a background of Penn State's famous Cherry trees in full bloom.

### May Day

is Saturday and the beautiful May Queen and her court will parade in royal array. This is the weekend of weekends to take pictures.



Everyone with a camera will want to take advantage of the special campus events and CENTRE COUNTY FILM LAB is extending its get acquainted special to offer you added opportunities this weekend.

With every roll of film developed by us you will receive FREE a 5x7 print of your choice

### CLIP THIS COUPON

for Your FREE 5 x 7 Get Acquainted Offer

Centre County Film Lab Collegian

CENTRE COUNTY FILM LAB 122 W. REAVER

### FRATERNITIES - SORORITIES

Sponsor an Entry for

## Mad Hatter's Day

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16th—10 a.m. - 2 p.m.