

Making Up for 'Doorstep'



— Photo by Hammonds
RUTH DEVLIN and JOE BROWN, featured performers in the Players' production of the folk comedy, "The Great Big Doorstep," being made up prior to a dress rehearsal. The Frances Goodrich-Albert Hackett play, under the direction of Mesrop Kesdekian, will open at Center Stage on Friday.

Devlin, Brown Share Leads in 'Doorstep'

By LEE STERN

Ruth Devlin, a tall (five feet-nine inches), attractive brunette graduate assistant in speech, and Joe Brown, short, easy-going, mustachioed chairman of the dramatics division of the New Mexico State College, now on sabbatical leave, have the leading roles in the forthcoming Players' production of "The Great Big Doorstep."

Although neither has ever before appeared in a Players' show, both have had extensive acting experience. And both have previously appeared in the same roles they will be playing at Center Stage.

Miss Devlin, who will be seen as the warm, earthy Mrs. Crochet, bulwark of the Crochet family, appeared in the same part last summer as a member of the Little Theatre Players of New Wilmington.

Plays 'Commodore'

Joe Brown, who will portray the lazy, likeable "Commodore" Crochet in the local presentation of the Frances Goodrich-Albert Hackett play, had the same role in the summer of 1950 on this campus, when he appeared under the direction of Mesrop Kesdekian, who is also staging the current revival.

Tickets for the Players' production, which will begin a six-weekend run at Center Stage on Friday night, are now on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main. Prices are 90 cents for Friday's and \$1.25 for Saturday performances. Refreshments are served Saturday nights. Performances begin at 8 p.m.

Ruth Devlin spent her undergraduate days at Westminster College, where she appeared in such widely-known plays as "I Remember Mama," "Pygmalion," "The Importance of Being Earnest," and "Adding Machine," among others.

Summer Roles

This past summer, while serving with the New Wilmington Players, she had roles in "Dulcy," "Angel Street," "George Washington Slept Here," and others, besides her featured performance in "Doorstep."

Joe Brown comes from a long line of theatrical performers. For ten years, from 1924 to 1933, he was a professional actor. During this time he represented the fourth generation of his family to play at a certain theater in Chicago.

New Mexico Dram Chairman

He has been scheduled for brief periods at the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Iowa, and New York University. He has received both his bachelor's and his master's degrees from the University of North Carolina.

Now the chairman of the dramatics division at the New Mexico State College, he is on sabbatical leave working for his doctorate in English.

Committee Announces 34 Solicitors

Names of 34 student Community Concert membership solicitors were released yesterday by Margaret Morgan and Carrol Chapman, student campaign committee heads.

Women solicitors include Jean Mastin, Ann Stuck, Bernadine Mietus, and Joanne DeVaux, Simmons Hall; Ruth Stuftt, Rita Case, Barbara Jones, and Pat Uplinger, Atherton Hall; Molly North, Carolyn Morris, Nancy Wiant, and Ann Fahringer, McElwain Hall.

Charlene Schwab, Grange; Janet Wertz and Peggy Myers, Woman's Building; Mary Lou Benner, Sue Riddle, Margaret Ludwick, Janet Campbell, Sylvia Grube, and Barbara Murchough, Thompson Hall; Elizabeth Stuter, McAllister Hall; and Louise Moreman and Dolores Secrist, Cottages.

Sales Going Well

Men solicitors include Raymond Barr, Jack Diehl, Francis Foster Jr., Donald Herbein, Clifford Holgate, Frederick Huston Jr., William Selving, Nick Casole, and Ron Dougherty.

The membership sales have been progressing very well, Dr. F. R. Matson, president of the association, said yesterday. The sale of memberships began Monday night and will continue until Saturday noon unless the quota of 1,230 is sold earlier this week.

At the close of the campaign, members of the local committee, assisted by Harold Welch, of Community Concerts, will meet to book the artists for the season. The Rochester Symphony orchestra has already been announced as one of the programs.

Fee Assessor, Staff Handle Student Bills

If you're still moaning about the dent put into your bankroll last Thursday and Friday heed these words of V. D. Bissey, the man who makes up student bills. According to an article in the October issue of The College, Bissey says that students are fundamentally honest and often want to know why their bills aren't higher.

Bissey receives all complaints because, as fee assessor, he makes up the students' bills. A small staff assists him in itemizing accounts for each of the approximately 10,000 students each semester. And although many bills have several common items, they must be handled individually.

Fee assessments for last semester totalled about \$2,000,000 for civilian students and a bill of \$557,000 was presented to the Veterans' Administration to cover the fees and books of the GI's.

Schedules Sent to Bissey

Late in August, Bissey and his staff begin preparing master cards with name, matriculation number, and sex. All information available at the time is assembled. This information comes from the Dean of Women, the housing department, the President's Office, and the bursar.

After students have registered, a copy of each student's schedule is sent to Bissey. The schedules are checked for semester, curriculum and credits, because all three enter into the picture of fees charged. Within two weeks after registration, all bills are tabulated and ready for payment.

There are 42 different items to be contended with in computing

the bill. Hence, it is no wonder that some complaints arise.

Humorous Side of Bills

Bissey points out that there are relatively few questions asked by students.

"And a few of the cases have a humorous side," he adds. "For example, women students pay a larger miscellaneous fee than men. If a male student named Susan has not otherwise indicated his sex, he might easily become a "she" to the staff and be charged the extra fee.

Students who claim that they haven't been charged enough get special attention. Bissey makes sure such an error hasn't been made. However, if such is the case, Bissey's day is just a little brighter.

Journalism Fraternity Will Initiate Ten

Ten students will be initiated into Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity at the annual banquet to be held at the Nittany Lion Inn on Nov. 4.

Those elected are Paul Beighley, Arnold Bloom, Edward Gilda, James Gromiller, Charles Henderson, Robert Highton, Andrew McNeillie, David Pellnitz, Theodore Soens, and Lee Stern.

Proposed Bill of Rights Covers Student Activities

This is the second of three articles containing the student Bill of Rights, proposed by the National Student Association, which will be presented to Cabinet tomorrow.

6. The right of any student organization to be recognized upon filing a statement of purpose, a constitution, and a specified minimum membership list; provided that the constitution or purposes shall not include discriminatory clauses as to race or religion except where the avowed primary purpose of the organization is to bring together members of one specific religious purpose; and provided that recognition may be revoked upon proof of the group's violation of its own statement of purpose or of the regulations of the institution which do not abridge the rights of the students as set forth in this document.

Off-Campus Activities

7. The right of any student organization to choose or approve its own faculty adviser and to continue to function in case no faculty member consents to serve as adviser.

8. The right of any recognized student organization to use the name of the institution subject to uniform regulations with respect to off-campus activities.

9. The right of students and recognized student organizations to use campus facilities, provided the facilities are used for the purposes contracted and subject to such uniform regulations as are required for scheduling meeting times and places.

Student Publications

10. The right of students and recognized student organizations to hear speakers of their choice on subjects of their choice subject to the clearly stated educational policies of the institution which have been made known to the students previous to admission.

11. The right of students to establish and issue regular student-directed publications free of any censorship or other pressures aimed at controlling editorial policy, with the free selection and removal of editorial staffs reserved solely to the organizations sponsoring these publications.

Ulerich Named PNPA Head

William K. Ulerich, a trustee of the College and a former resident of State College, was named president of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association at its 27th annual convention in Harrisburg Saturday.

A graduate of the College in 1931, Ulerich was one of the founders of radio station WMAJ and editor of the Centre Daily Times from 1934 to 1945. He is now publisher of the Clearfield Progress.

Gov. John S. Fine named Ulerich a trustee of the College last June. He had previously served 12 years on the executive board of the Alumni Council and was president of the Alumni Association in 1945.

He is presently a vice president of WMAJ.

While residing in State College, Ulerich served on the school board, the Alpha Fire Company Ambulance Club, the Welfare Fund, and the Commerce Club.

As president of the PNPA, he succeeds Frank Walser of Hazleton.

Four Profs Will Attend Convention

The 34th annual convention of the National Dietetics Association in Cleveland will be attended this week by four faculty members of the School of Home Economics.

Esther A. Atkinson, associate professor of hotel and institutional administration, will speak at the meeting of directors on training courses for dietitians and heads of institution administration departments of colleges.

Marguerite E. Horn, assistant professor of hotel and institutional administration, will report on the activities of the professional education committee of the Pennsylvania Dietetics Association.

Ina Padgett, professor of foods and nutrition, is a member of the house of delegates of the Association. Dr. Ruth L. Pike, associate professor of foods and nutrition, will also attend the sessions.

Forester Will Chair Debate

Kent Forester, associate professor of history, will chair the College's debate with Oxford University at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in 121 Sparks.

Resolved: That the return of Mr. Churchill as prime minister would be highly regrettable will be the topic of the annual debate with England sponsored by the Institute for International Education in New York.

The teams will be mixed, with Dick Taverner from Oxford and Clair George from Penn State arguing affirmative and William Rees-Mogg, Oxford, and David Lewis, Penn State, taking the negative side.

Last year George and Marlin Brenner represented the College while a debater from the University of Birmingham and one from the College of North Wales represented England. Oxford appeared here in 1947 and 1949.

Froth Sells Out

The October issue of Froth, the College humor magazine, sold out by 2:30 p.m. yesterday. A total of 5150 copies of the first issue were distributed among the student body, mail subscribers and exchanges. Subscriptions will still be honored at the Student Union desk.

Movie in Osmond Tonight

A 90-minute film entitled "The Lower Depths" will be shown at 7 tonight in 119 Osmond for the members of the Dramatics 61 classes.

Delta Gamma presents

VIRGINIA SALE

in her "AMERICANA" Sketches
WED. OCT. 10, 8 P.M.
SCHWAB AUDITORIUM
for the benefit of DG Project
SIGHT CONSERVATION AND AID TO THE BLIND

Tickets \$1.20
Tax Incl.

On Sale at Corner Room,
Student Union and
from Delta Gammas

GRADUATING SENIORS!

.... and then for
a really fine Portrait
to send home

visit bill coleman's lion studio