

Old Collegian Editors Continue Working for Their Alma Mater

By HELEN LUYBEN

Old Collegian editors never die. They just come back to work for their alma mater.

As a matter of fact, five former editors can be found in offices on campus.

Louis Bell, editor 1928-29, is now director of public information. Before that he did newspaper reporting and then taught journalism here until 1941.

Bell recalls that an editorial he wrote asking for recognition of the lowly substitute at the end of a football season took first prize in a national editorial writing contest.

Dormitory Smoking Petitioned
He believes every editor likes to think he did a better job than the others, but says Bell, "Collegian is doing a much better job today."

James Coogan, editor 1929-30, is Bell's assistant in the public information office.

Coogan remembers it was the year he was editor that women petitioned to smoke in the dormitories—there was a hub-bub over that!

Coogan also did newspaper work before returning to the College.

Song Contest Conducted
Ridge Riley, editor 1931-32, and now Alumni executive secretary, tells this one on Coogan.

When Coogan was editor, and Riley just a sophomore on the paper, Coogan conducted a contest to gather new songs and cheers. Riley and the staff soon got bored with the idea, started sticking entries down a slot they'd hacked in the wall, and ended the contest abruptly.

"As far as I know they're still down in that slot," Riley laughed. "This will be the first time for Coogan to hear about it!"

Riley says he "made the mistake of liking everybody."

"You can call me a mild pacifist," he grins. "We even liked the football team and they had a terrible record."

Robert Tschan was Riley's successor in 1932-33. Back at the College since 1946, Tschan is college examiner in the admissions office.

Tschan did graduate work and later taught history at Columbia College, Georgetown, and Notre Dame.

'Crusade Era' Begins
Tschan says Collegian in his day "reflected the pre-Pearl Harbor atmosphere of this little far-removed college," and wasn't the least interested in the rest of the world.

"The crusade era" began, according to Riley, with his assistant in the Alumni office, Ross Lehman, editor 1941-42. Lehman first war editor, had the job of making students aware of the war going on so far away.

Lehman rates Collegian today a "very good" paper "excellently edited."

He returned in 1948 after service in the Air Force and newspaper work in Lancaster.

Caps and Gowns To Be Ordered

January graduates who plan to wear caps and gowns for graduation and who have not registered for them have until the first week in January to do so at the Athletic Store.

A \$5 deposit is necessary to place an order. Half of this will be refunded when the gowns are returned. Anyone placing an order after the deadline will be assessed an extra \$1.

Seniors should know their hat size when ordering. Those who plan to graduate in military uniform should not sign up for caps and gowns.

Penn State Club Plans Party for Tomorrow

The Penn State Club Christmas party will be at 8 tomorrow night in the Hamilton Hall recreation room. Dancing will last until midnight. Special guests will include Russell Clark and George Donovan.

Refreshments will be served during the evening, and a choral fest has been planned.

Old Editors Never Die



FIVE FORMER Collegian editors shown above as they look over a present-day edition. Seated (left to right): Ridge Riley; Lou's Bell, Ross Lehman. In the back row (left to right): Robert Tschan, James Coogan.

Cast Named For Players' 'The Heiress'

Nine persons compose the cast for Players' next Schwab Auditorium production, "The Heiress," to be presented Jan. 17, 18, and 19.

Lead roles will be played by Kathryn Scheetz and Charles Schulte. Miss Scheetz is the heiress, Catherine Sloper, and Schulte plays her father, Dr. Austin Sloper.

Carl Wagner plays the lover, Morris Townsend, and Fran Stridinger will perform as the aunt, Lavinia Penniman.

Isabella Cooper will play Maria; Yvonne Voigt has the part of Elizabeth Almond; Arthur Chadwick plays Arthur Townsend; and Betty Lou Morgan enacts Mrs. Montgomery.

Dramatics instructor Walter Walters is directing the play.

"The Heiress" was written by Ruth and Augustus Goetz and first produced on Broadway in September 1947. The play is based on the Henry James' novel "Washington Square."

Silva to Address Women's Group

Dr. Ruth C. Silva, associate professor of political science, will discuss "Presidential Possibilities for 1952" at the regular meeting of the State College branch of the American Association of University Women at 8 tonight in the high school library.

Dr. Silva has made a study of the effect of the presidential election system: on party alignment and popular participation, and the University of Michigan Press has just published her book, "Presidential Succession."

Recently, Dr. Silva gave testimony in Washington before the House Judiciary Committee considering a number of resolutions for amendment of the electoral college system.

Language Group To Meet Tonight

Phi Sigma Iota, Romance Languages honorary, will meet at 8 tonight at Phi Kappa fraternity. The meeting is open to the public.

In cooperation with the Department of Romance Languages the group will present Dr. Alceu Amoroso Lima, who will speak on the evolution of literary criticism in Brazil. Dr. Lima is one of the leading literary historians of that country.

The honorary will initiate 12 undergraduates and three graduate students at the meeting.

Yelling Salesmen Sure Indication 'Froth Is Out'

There's one sure way to tell when Froth is out.

People stand on corners and grab you as you go past. They beg you to buy a Froth because "the editor will starve if we don't sell one this year." They may even pay you to take the so-called humor magazine away.

For the past week, signs in the dormitories have been proclaiming December 11, Tuesday, as Froth Day. Not only that, but the signs also hinted that this one might be worth glancing at, since it was a Christmas exchange issue (that's where they give other humor magazines the credit for their jokes).

So Tuesday morning skeptical students borrowed quarters and hurried to the usual Froth stands. But no one was there. Neither were any Froths.

There was no comment from the staff. Nevertheless, the editor informs us, tomorrow is Froth Day, so save a quarter of this week's allowance.

Dance Club Gives One 'Pleasantly' Tired Feeling

By LIX NEWELL

People have said that it is possible to get tired doing home work and enjoy it at the same time, but it's more fun to get that "pleasantly exhausted feeling" at a meeting of the Circle and Square folk dance club.

Two years ago there was no semblance of a club like this on campus, but there were two students, Lenore Staats and Robert James, who had the idea they would like to start one. Neither knew exactly how to get the ball rolling so nothing was done until they met at a Penn State Christian Association cabin party.

Moved to Armory

Working through the PSCA, they put a notice in the Daily Collegian that all persons interested in such a club should meet in 405 Old Main where Miss Staats would teach folk dances and James would be caller for the square dances.

Gradually more and more students heard of the club and came to the meetings so that finally it was necessary to move into the Armory for more room.

Looking into the Armory at 7 p.m. on a Thursday night gives no indication of the "wild and woolly" time that is to come. Students are standing near the stage

Office Discourages Yelling, Late Caroling

The Dean of Men's office said yesterday that boisterous yelling and caroling that drags on into the night should be discouraged.

The announcement encouraged campus clubs, fraternities, sororities and other groups to plan organized caroling.

Students should refrain from shouting at groups which carol near their dormitories, the dean's office said.

Dr. Tartakower To Speak on The Near East

Dr. Arieh Tartakower, professor of sociology at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, will speak on "East and West in Israel and the Near East" at 8 tonight in 121 Sparks.

The lecture, compulsory for Sociology 1 students, is open to students, faculty, and townspeople.

Dr. Tartakower, who is also chairman of the Israel Association for the United States, has published several books and a number of articles in various scientific magazines. He is the author of many volumes in the fields of labor and refugee and immigration policies. A two-volume work on sociology of the Jews will be published shortly in Hebrew and English.

Dr. Tartakower holds a doctor of laws degree from the University of Krakow and a doctorate in political science from the University of Vienna. Before the war he was a lecturer in Jewish sociology and social work in the Warsaw Institute of Sciences. From 1940 to 1946 he served as deputy director of the Institute of Jewish Affairs of the American and the World Jewish Congress in New York.

His appearance is sponsored by Hillel Foundation and Alpha Kappa Delta, sociology honorary.

Students to Tell Of Christmas

Five foreign students will explain how Christmas is celebrated in their countries at the Penn State Poultry Club Christmas party at 7 tonight in the Alpha Zeta fraternity house.

The five students are Augustin Bartik, Czechoslovakia; Farlang Rad, Iran; Hans Meirhoffer, Germany; Pedro Vonauchenbach, Uruguay; and Kalle Sipelle, Finland.

There will be an informal business meeting preceding the party, William Haensly, president of the club, said.

AIM Committee To Draw Up Referendum

The Association of Independent Men last night agreed to form a special committee to draw up a suitable referendum on the Student Union assessment.

The committee will make a study of the assessment, decide who shall vote on the referendum, and draw up an unbiased wording on the referendum. AIM also decided to postpone the issuing of the referendum to the student body until a more suitable time.

In an effort to have stricter control on AIM spending a motion was passed which automatically makes the treasurer of AIM an ex-officio member of any committee in the organization which spends money. In this way all spending of any committee must first be approved by the treasurer.

AIM also discussed the possibility of securing insurance coverage for students living downtown in houses that are considered to be fire hazards. It was suggested that the "fire-traps" be inspected and condemned if unfit for student living.

The next meeting of AIM will be held Jan. 9.

Prof to Speak To Engineers

Professor William B. Shepperd will speak before a meeting of the Centre County subsection of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers on "The Design and Development of an Unusual B-29 Fuel Gauge" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in 219 Electrical Engineering Building.

Professor Shepperd has been associated with the Department of Electrical Engineering since the spring of 1948. During World War II, he was connected with the Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator Company, where he was a member of a team working on the project covered by the speech to be given at the meeting.

Professor Shepperd received his Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering at the University of Texas and Master of Science degree in electrical engineering and physics at Washington University.

Players to Go Caroling At 9 p.m. Tomorrow

Players will go Christmas caroling at 9 p.m. tomorrow. The singers will start from Schwab Auditorium.

At 10 p.m. the carolers will pick up the "Tartuffe" crews and cast at Center Stage and continue their singing tour. The group will wind up at Center Stage for refreshments.

Latin American Club

Centro Cultural Latinamericano, the Latin American culture club, will hold a Christmas party from 8 to 12 p.m. Saturday in 304 Old Main.

Latin American Christmas carols and practices will be featured at the party.

An INEXPENSIVE Gift Suggestion— Popular Records!

Everyone loves music—and these are some of the many popular records that make welcome Christmas gifts . . .

- 1.) "Tell Me Why" "Garden in the Rain" Four Aces
- 2.) "Any Time" "Never Before" Eddie Fisher
- 3.) "Blues in Burlesque" Stan Kenton

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James practically preaches that "the three basic dance steps are the polka, waltz, and schottische." He says anyone who can learn (Continued on page eight)