

Battle of the Sexes

Borrowed Fashions Show Unoriginality

By GRETA WEAVER

As inevitable as a pop quiz on the day you're least prepared are the typical college man's comments on a coed's new spring hat. Replete though it is with its assortment of leghorn straw, swathes of veiling, nine inch feathers, and scented flowers, a new spring hat rates second to some of the masculine "creations" currently seen on campus.

For example, take a look at the males' authentic clan plaid jerkins. True, they do draw attention to their unfortunately not-broad-enough shoulders, and the Black Watch plaids are especially eye-catching. But who got the idea first? Seems that the "weaker sex" featured plaid weskits as a major innovation in 1950-51 winter wardrobes. And the males, late as usual, demonstrated their lack of originality by adopting the fashion one whole year later.

Campus Wheel

Then there's the dark maroon cummerbund, which a few venturesome males sport as a complement to their tuxedos. Highly flattered by his date's sweet deceiving compliments about his "daring," the unsuspecting male goes on, blissfully unaware, or at any rate forgetful, of the fact that his date was wearing the very same style—fortunately in a more appealing color—two years back.

Men also seem to have acquired a taste for all sorts of jewelry. The guy who five years ago wouldn't think of wearing a "sissy" French cuffed shirt, now pleads with his sister for a set of gold cuff links for a birthday gift. If he thinks he's a campus "wheel," he dangles a collection of jeweled keys flashy enough to dim the lustre of Cleopatra's collections. Hanging from his key chain, his collection bears obvious resemblance to the charm bracelets popular among the teen-age high school giggling set.

Pancake Tams

His tie clasps are more ridiculous than a coed's scatter pins. If he plans to enter the Army, he wears an anchor-shaped tie clasp, and if he's planning on a career as an eastern industrialist, he wears a tie clasp fashioned after a cowboy's lariat. Further proof that the male sex is the really unpredictable one.

And who could fail to notice the College Joe, in his unpressed grey flannels, dirty white bucks, and wrinkled blue coat, sporting a thing atop his head that looks more like it belonged to a color-blind coal miner than a college man. Meaning, of course, the plaid, checked, striped, or plain gaudy caps the fellows wear everywhere, even on dates. It's remarkable the resemblance they

have to the flat pancake tams the females of the post-flapper age used to don.

Gazing into the crystal ball, we see today's college man 20 years hence. A trifle subdued by years of hen-pecking, he nevertheless gives vent to the reflections of a happier day, and dons a pair of "walking shorts" before engaging in a strenuous game of golf. The walking shorts, so popular among middle-aged would-be athletes, seem to be considered quite apropos for a mountain jaunt of a quarter-mile or so.

It even seems quite probable that an investigation of the origins of the male's string tie would lead one to the conclusion that this, too, is an adaptation from the female's black velvet choker. Pursuing this last point a trifle further, it wouldn't be surprising to learn that the bow tie owes its beginnings to the big taffeta hair bows little girls wear in kindergarten.

Badwey Replaced In 'Tartuffe'

Regular performances of "Tartuffe," Moliere's satire on hypocrisy, resume this weekend at Center Stage with one change in the cast.

Nancy May will take over the role of Flipote, originally portrayed by Yvonne Badwey. Miss Badwey is student teaching for eight weeks.

Tickets for the play, which will also run Feb. 15, 16, and 22, 23, are on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main. They are 90 cents for Friday night and \$1.25 for Saturday.

Prof Publishes Paper For Radio Engineers

Dr. J. M. Kelso, associate professor of engineering research at the College, recently had a paper published in the Proceedings of the Institute of Radio Engineering, entitled "Radio Wave Propagation at Oblique Incidence Including the Lorentz Polarization Term."

Presently on leave from the Ionosphere Research Laboratory, Dr. Kelso is associated with the Chalmers Institute of Technology in Gothenburg, Sweden. The paper was prepared before he left for Sweden.

21 Finish Milk Course

The short course in market and milk supervision will be completed by 21 students from Pennsylvania, three other states, Bermuda, and Puerto Rico, at the College Saturday. The course began Jan. 28.

Co-Edits

Phi Kappa Psi

Newly elected officers of Phi Kappa Psi are John Walsh, president; John McCabe, vice president; Richard Zimmerman, treasurer; Joseph Sutoovsky, corresponding secretary; Marvin Boring, recording secretary; John Schwering, librarian; Russell Keen, chaplain; Robert Porter, messenger; William Tabar, sergeant-at-arms; and Thomas Eastland, house manager. Ronald Riley was initiated into the fraternity.

Delta Theta Sigma

Donald Crummy has been installed as president of Delta Theta Sigma. Other new officers are Paul Anderson, vice-president; David Lutz, secretary; Eldon Piper, house manager, and Edward McKee, custodian.

Faculty Honors Kern With Portrait

Dr. Frank D. Kern, who retired in 1950 after serving for 28 years as the first dean of the Graduate School at the College, was recently honored by the unveiling of a portrait given by the Graduate School faculty.

The portrait was unveiled by Dr. John A. Sauer and Dr. Bruce V. Moore read the citation and told of Dean Kern's work.

Dean Kern joined the faculty at the College in 1913 as professor and head of the Department of Botany and continued in these positions as well as the role of dean of the Graduate School until his retirement with emeritus rank in 1950.

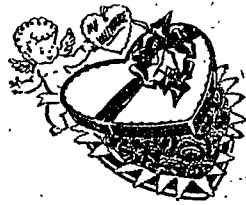
Graduate Completes Processing at Ft. Meade

Pvt. Harold R. Downey of Greensburg graduated from the College with a B.A. in journalism, has completed processing at the 2053d Reception Center at Fort Meade, Maryland.

He was assigned to the sixth Armored Division, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., for 16 weeks of basic training.

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8 Phone Operators Handle Dorm Calls

By BARRY FEIN

When you try to push a call through to your girl at 9:55 p.m., do you ever wonder just what goes into completing it?

Well, to begin with, the sweet voice that answers, "dormitories," belongs to one of eight operators hired by the College. They are, for the most part, veterans' wives who were formerly Bell Telephone operators.

The switchboards are rented from the Bell System and are located in the basement of Simmons Hall. When your call comes in, on one of 65 feeder lines from downtown, it is flashed on all eight boards. Any of the operators can handle it.

Long Calls

What, then, is the trouble in getting a simple little call through? Under present conditions, the switchboard is lit up every evening like a Christmas tree in a bargain basement.

It's not the lack of equipment that permits only two out of five calls to be completed after 6:30, according to Edna Shirk, chief operator, but the extended length of phone calls.

Miss Shirk, who has held her position for almost 14 years, formerly worked for the Bell System. She showed up through the maze of equipment and explained that each of the operators can handle 15 calls at a time.

Plans Discussed

"The telephone company in State College feels that we have adequate facilities. Some army camps that handle more important calls than we have less equipment than we do," she said.

PSCA Official Named Music Dean at Boston U.

Eugene H. Floyd, former executive secretary of the Penn State Christian Association, has been named acting dean of the College of Music at Boston University, President Harold C. Case announced recently.

Floyd, assistant to Case since 1949, succeeded Warren S. Freeman, who was granted a leave of absence.

Robert Sigworth, superintendent of utilities of the physical plant, said that plans for enlarging the present facilities have been discussed by the administration.

Until about two and a half years ago, the switchboards were located in the lobby of Atherton Hall. With the completion of the new dormitories, the new apparatus was installed in its present location.

Second Semester Frosh Need 1.5 Rush Average

Second semester freshman women with 1.5 averages or above and upperclass women with 1.0 or better All-College averages may rush sororities according to the recently approved Panhellenic Council rushing code.

Spring rushing starts Feb. 23. On Feb. 18 a meeting will be held for all prospective rushees in Schwab Auditorium to explain the formal rushing procedure.

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