

# Life Suits Reds, Lonsdale Says

By LAVONNE ALTHOUSE

The Russian people are content with their government at present, are steadily raising their standard of living, and want peace so that they may continue to raise it, Kathleen Lonsdale, English Friend who visited Russia, said Sunday night to a State College audience.

Speaking to approximately 125 persons who packed the small

## Toured Russia



Kathleen Lonsdale

Friends Meeting House on S. Atherton street, the tiny grey-haired physicist described a trip which she and six other English Friends made to Moscow last summer.

Miss Lonsdale said that the Russians were content with their government for two reasons. In the first place, she said, some of them can remember what life was like under the Czars, and the present government's program, which is rehousing them and raising their standard of living generally, is much better than the former one.

### Housing Projects

In the second place, most of the population is now so young that it cannot remember any other form of government and is not allowed to travel abroad to compare its government with any other, Miss Lonsdale said. To illustrate her point, she added that in 1939 one-half of the population was under 22 years of age.

Miss Lonsdale described the extensive rehousing program in progress in Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad. Blocks of skyscrapers and districts of new apartments are being built, she said. Yet she estimated that in Moscow it would take 25 to 30 years to rehouse properly and remove the vast areas of slums which Moscow has now.

Prison labor is paid at the same rate as ordinary labor with prisoners and laborers often working side by side in the same factories, Miss Lonsdale said. Forced labor is used in political prison camps and to punish laborers who come to work drunk or habitually late, she said.

The Russian standard of living is lower than that of Great Britain, Miss Lonsdale said, but it is climbing. Food is more expensive in Russia than in her country, she continued, but the people value food more than clothing. They seem adequately fed, she said, and adequately, but not fashionably clothed.

Miss Lonsdale was surprised, she said, at the freedom the seven Friends had had. Miss Lonsdale also remarked at the heavy attendance at church services. In a Baptist church she attended which was built to hold 1500 people, up to 1800 people regularly crowded into each of its five weekly services, she said. Other Baptist churches and Russian Orthodox churches had equally high attendances, she added, and said that three hundred were confirmed last year by one Baptist church.

### People Fear War

The Communists are no longer persecuting organized religion, Miss Lonsdale said, but are forbidding them to instruct young people in religious teachings. In this way, they hope religion, which they regard as a bourgeois prejudice, will die out naturally, she said.

The Russian people fear war and want peace desperately, Miss Lonsdale continued. At the same time, she said, they are taught to believe that the West may attack them at any time.

## 'News, Views' Staff Named; Mayberry Head

Peggy Mayberry has been named new editor of News and Views, home economics magazine, Mrs. Mary E. Reuf, faculty advisor of the publication, announced yesterday.

Other new staff members include Kennetta Peters, managing editor; Grace Anderson, business manager; Nancy Gemmill and Patience Ungethuem, associate editors; Lorraine Mondrick, feature editor.

Irene Taylor, national advertising manager; Margaret Goodwin and Shirley Habecker, local advertising managers; Vera Danko, circulation manager; Mary Pettigout, promotion director; Nancy Kern, art editor; Ona Kay Lee, secretary; and Janet Fietsam, treasurer.

## Grad Student Will Present 'Rosmersholm'

Richard Andersen, a graduate student in dramatics, will present Henrik Ibsen's "Rosmersholm" today, tomorrow, and Thursday as his master's thesis production.

Free tickets for the play are available in the dramatics office, Schwab Auditorium. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. in the Little Theater, basement of Old Main. "Rosmersholm," an example of Ibsen's character studies, is the story of a former minister who gave up the church as he assumed radical views. It portrays the conflict between conservatism and radicalism.

Included in the cast are Betty Lou Morgan as Rebecca; Myron Cole, Rosmer; Jay Broad, Rector Kroll; Charles Schulte, Brendel; Pete Farrell, Mortensgard, and Yvonne Voigt, Madame Helseth. Marcia Yoffe is stage manager. Crew heads are Prim Diefenderfer, makeup; Lynn Meyer, costumes; Farrell, sound; Donald Colbert, lights, and Bill Nudorf, construction.

## Simes Ratifies WD Date Code

Dr. Frank Simes, director of resident counselors, has approved the West Dorm Council dating code, Richard Mills, council president, announced last night.

The dating code must have final approval by the Senate committee on student welfare before it can go into effect. The code, if approved, will permit unchaperoned dating in the small lounges and game rooms of Hamilton, Irvin, and McKee Halls.

Charles Brewer, West Dorm social chairman, said a sports film would be shown in the main lounge in Hamilton Hall at 6:30 tomorrow night. He said he hoped the films could be scheduled every week.

Mills appointed Herbert Hollister chairman of the West Dorm Spring Week committee. The committee will make arrangements to sponsor a booth at the Spring Carnival, Mills said.

The council voted to postpone next Monday's meeting until the first Monday after the Easter vacation.

## Handbook Ad Staff

An important meeting of the advertising staff of the Student Handbook will be held at 7:30 tonight in 9 Carnegie Hall. Staffers must hand in all contracts at this time, Phyllis Kelson, advertising manager, has announced.

## Woodsmen, Spare That Tree



—Photo by McNeillie  
HOWARD WRIGHT (left) and Kenneth Kiel, both of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, do their bit for the Greek Week community cleanup program by clearing trees and underbrush from Fairmount Park along South Atherton street Saturday. Greek Week will continue throughout this week.

## Community Project Begins Greek Week

The Greek Week program started Saturday with over 1100 fraternity and sorority members participating in community project day.

As part of a week long program of activities designed to strengthen Greek-community relations, the project day consisted of the cleaning and clearing of playgrounds, seeding grass, and the spreading of cinders on parking lots.

"Townpeople had high praises for the student accomplishments,"

## World Accord Theme of 1952 Ag Conference

"Understanding Our World Neighbors" was the theme of this year's tri-state agricultural conference held over the weekend at Pocono Manor Inn.

The Tri-State Conference for Young Men and Women is an annual event and participants are representatives of groups that are sponsored by the agriculture extension service of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Twelve students from the College were among the 307 students attending. From Pennsylvania there were 163 representatives.

General chairman of the conference was Chauncey P. Lang, professor of agriculture extension at the College, and assistant state extension club leader.

The Penn State delegation was in charge of the Sunday morning worship service.

The main address was a talk, "Understanding Peoples from Other Lands," by Dr. Charles Y. Hu, a native of China and now professor of geography at the University of Maryland.

Lewis S. Nichols, head of the international farm youth exchange program for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, conducted a panel discussion on the exchange program in past years. Young people who had been in the exchange and have spent a summer working on farms in Europe participated. Among them was William Lefes, a graduate student at the College who was a delegate to Switzerland in 1949.

## No '5 O'clock' Today

There will be no Five O'clock Theater performance today. "A Love Affair," by John Pakkanen, will be presented next Tuesday.

## Softball Meeting Called

There will be a meeting of all captains of teams entered in the Nittany-Pollock Softball League at 10 p.m. tomorrow in the Dorm 20 council room.

The schedule for the first three nights of league play is now posted on the bulletin in Dorm 20.

## Two Profs Promoted By Trustees

Two professors have been recently appointed to higher positions in their schools by the executive committee of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Elburt F. Osborn, professor of geochemistry and head of the Department of Earth Sciences at the College, has been named associate dean of the School of Mineral Industries, effective immediately. Dr. John M. Anderson, professor of philosophy, has been appointed head of the Department of Philosophy for a three-year term.

In announcing Dr. Osborn's appointment, President Milton S. Eisenhower explained that Dr. Osborn would continue to serve as professor of geochemistry and head of the Department of Earth Sciences. President Eisenhower said that, in accordance with a policy established in 1949, Dr. Anderson's term as head of the Department of Philosophy would run three years. Dr. Anderson succeeds Dr. John A. Mourant.

Dr. Osborn was appointed to his present position at the College in 1946. He received his doctor of philosophy degree at the University of California and was named to the Philosophy department staff in that year.

## Campus Chest To Get \$292.47 From Contest

Income in this year's Ugly Man Contest totaled \$292.47, William Slepik, contest chairman, said yesterday. The name of Penn State's Ugly Man, however, will not be revealed until the IFC-Panhel Ball Friday in Recreation Hall.

The Campus Chest, which will get the proceeds from this year's contest, will not receive the total amount, Slepik said, because expenses have not yet been met. He said there are still three bills to be paid. The amount the Chest will receive will be announced Friday, Slepik said.

Of the total income, \$274.97 came from student contributions and \$17.50 from entry fees. Each contestant paid a 50 cent entry fee.

The Ugly Man Contest, sponsored annually by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, was held from Wednesday to Friday last week.

Students voted for their favorite uglies at a booth located on the Mall at Pollock road. Students cast votes by placing money in designated containers. The contestant with the most money-votes will be crowned Ugly Man.

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