

Center Stage to Mark Opening of 5th Season

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The opening performance of Oscar Wilde's comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" Friday at Center Stage will not only mark the beginning of Players' 1952 season, but will also initiate the seventh season of Penn State dramatic performances in an arena type theater.

Since Players presented "Skylark" in the spring of 1947 in the center of the banquet room of the State College Hotel, arena productions have grown in popularity in State College and throughout the state. This is the fifth year that Players will perform at their present location in Center Stage.

Pollock Council Elects Douglas To Presidency

Donald Douglas, seventh semester arts and letters student, was elected president of Pollock Council last night.

A revote for the vice presidency had to be called when Joseph Gardecki tied Richard Smith for the position. Gardecki won on the second ballot, eight to seven. Also nominated and elected were Vince Yakowiz as secretary and Schuyler Conklin, treasurer.

John Mour, chief fire marshal for the Pollock Dorm area, told the council there would be a meeting of dormitory fire marshalls at 7:30 tomorrow night in Pollock-Dorm 3. He told the members to tell the Pollock residents to expect fire drills. He listed five duties that must be performed during an emergency: 1. Wake everybody in the dorm. 2. See that each person closes the window in his room. 3. Pull back blankets and expose sheets on the beds. 4. Leave doors open. 5. Leave the lights on in the room.

Rev. Melvin Whitmire and the Rev. Asendorf, religious counselors to the area addressed the council. Rev. Whitmire outlined their duties to the members and asked for the cooperation of the group. The purpose of religious counselors is to give help to students and hold group discussions on religious and moral problems of any nature, Whitmire said.

Radio Group Will Be Formed

Interviews for membership in a student radio committee were held last night in 204 Old Main. The committee will be the student representation in the proposed campus radio station.

William Griffith, Ellis Maris, and Frank Hutchinson interviewed students who expressed a desire to work in coordination with President Milton S. Eisenhower's radio committee.

In addition, a representative of student government and one of Radio Guild will be selected for membership on the President's committee.

The student radio committee will replace a three-man group that was appointed by cabinet last year. It will insure proper representation of all segments of the student body, according to Griffith.

22 Places Open In Dancing Class

Ballroom dancing instruction, sponsored by Mortar Board, senior women's honorary, will be available for the next 22 persons who register at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

The seven week course, which costs \$1 and will be taught by a former Arthur Murray dancing instructor, attracted 178 applicants yesterday and Monday.

Classes will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the TUB starting late this month with students divided into five groups, each reporting one night a week.

Debate Squad to Meet, Discuss National Topic

Newly appointed members of the men's debate squad will meet with old members at 7 tonight in 316 Sparks. Debate procedures will be discussed and further analysis of the national inter-collegiate debate topic will be made.

The Dismal Swamp is an area of almost unbroken wilderness in the center of the eastern seaboard of the U.S.

Kelly Yeaton, associate professor of dramatics, initiated the arena production at the College after he joined the faculty in the fall of 1946. Previously, Yeaton did graduate work at the University of Washington, where the arena theatre was first introduced as an intimate theater medium.

Tickets for Oscar Wilde's comedy, "The Importance of Being Earnest," which opens at Center Stage Friday, are being sold at the Student Union desk in Old Main at \$1.

He also spent several seasons with the Mumpers in St. Louis, who gave the first arena performance of that area in 1940. Yeaton directed "Skylark," which was followed the next year by two other arena plays presented in Woodland Hall.

The second of the two plays was "Hotel Universe." Several members of the cast started a summer company the same year at Center Stage. That fall Players staged a show there, and the downtown theater has been in regular operation since then. The number of plays produced at Center Stage increased with each year, and at present four plays open there each year.

Arena theaters in Pennsylvania and parts of New York have been (Continued on page eight)

Prexy Reports Establishment Of Scholarships

President Milton S. Eisenhower has announced the establishment of two new scholarships and continuation of another.

A scholarship of \$500 per year, to be awarded to a mechanical engineering senior annually for five years, has been established by the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Co., a division of Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation.

A junior or senior in agronomy, chosen on the basis of scholarship and participation in extra-curricular activities, will be awarded \$300 from an annual grant set up by the agricultural limestone division of the Pennsylvania Stone Producers' Association. One-half of the amount will be presented in the fall and the other half at the beginning of the spring semester.

An award of \$250 to worthy students who without financial help could not continue their studies will continue to be made by the Presser Foundation. The student must include music in his curriculum and preference is given to those planning to teach.

International Debate To Open Forensic Season

The annual international debate scheduled for Nov. 7 in 121 Sparks will open the 1952-53 men's debate season, Jay Headly, men's debate manager announced.

For the international debate a two-man team from universities in Great Britain comes to the College to join in debate with two members of the Penn State squad.

The topic, chosen from a list submitted by the British team, will be Resolved: That cooperation is a better policy for Western Europe than federation. In debating, the two Penn State debaters will oppose the two from Great Britain. Last year one visitor and one Penn State man argued each side.

Composing the British team will be Kenneth Eibben from South Hampton, England, a student at the University College of South

Hampton; and Ronald George Evans from Llangollen, North Wales, a student at the University College at North Wales.

Arguing for Penn State will be Jay Headly and David Lewis, a June '52 graduate now doing graduate work at the College and winner of the 1952 John Henry Frizzell Extempore Speaking Contest.

Last year both members of the British team were from Oxford University and the topic was Resolved: That the return of Mr. Churchill as Prime Minister would be highly regrettable. The international debate is sponsored each year by the Institute for International Education in New York.

This debate is one of the outstanding forensic activities at Penn State, Headly said. He also noted that the debate would be non-decision with neither team being declared the winner.

Committee to Plan Special Motorcade

Final plans for the Pennsylvania Week competitive motorcade, to be held before the homecoming football game next Saturday, and the formation of a special motorcade committee will be made at the meeting of the joint student, faculty, and staff committee for Pennsylvania Week at 4 p.m. today in 201 Old Main.

The committee will work out details of such problems as regulating the time needed to twice circle the Beaver Field track, parking facilities for participants, the types of vehicles to be used, and alternatives to the motorcade in case of rain. After decisions have been made, the committee will inform participants of the schedule and plans, Fred M. Coombs, chairman of the Pennsylvania Week committee, said. They will also choose judges for the motorcade.

The problem of alternatives in case of rain was discussed in a meeting of Arthur Rosfeld, Interfraternity Council President, Marlene Heyman, president of the Panhellenic Council, and William Shifflet, president of the Association of Independent Men, with Coombs yesterday afternoon.

Rosfeld and Miss Heyman will meet again with Coombs today. Miss Heyman will report on what part Panhellenic Council will play in the motorcade.

Rosfeld will report to the IFC tomorrow evening on the progress of motorcade plans.

Ernest B. McCoy, dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, has given approval to hold the motorcade on the track only in good weather, Coombs said. Otherwise, the track would be damaged by the vehicles before a cross-country meet which will begin and end on the track.

In the case of rain it has been proposed to hold the motorcade either downtown or across the campus on Pollock Road. Coombs said he will confer with John R. Juba, State College borough police chief, to determine the feasibility of holding the parade downtown. Rosfeld suggested that the winning float be exhibited at halftime of the game.

The possibility of setting aside either the parking lot across from Recreation Hall, or the Hort Woods parking lot to accommodate the participants after leaving Beaver Field, was discussed at the meeting.

Rosfeld also said that the parade should end in time for participants to park, and return to their seats before game time. McCoy has refused to allow parking at the South end of Beaver Field.

Coombs also announced that negotiations for the purchase of a revolving trophy are getting underway. He said he hopes the trophy will be displayed downtown before the motorcade.

Hort Show Will Be 'Parisian Market'

"A Parisian Market" has been chosen as the theme of this year's annual Horticulture Show Oct. 18 and 19 in the Stock Pavilion.

The Arch of Triumph, outdoor cafes, street markets, and other landmarks of Paris will be a major part of the Hort Show, sponsored by the Horticulture Club. More than 10,000 visitors are

Lion Suit Drive To Be Staged By Androcles

Efforts to provide the Lion with a new suit will be boosted tomorrow when Androcles hatmen sponsor a "Dress the Lion Day" drive, Philip Greenberg, Androcles lion campaign manager, has announced.

Hatmen will work at booths set up by the main bulletin board at the Mall and Pollock road and at the Corner Room.

The fund now totals \$157. The goal is approximately \$400, the price paid for a suit two years ago. The suit now in use by the lion is in a tattered state and according to George Donovan, manager of associated student activities, it will take about three months to have a new suit ready.

Suggestions were made last year for a new costume, but neither All-College Cabinet nor the Athletic Association was able to furnish the necessary funds. The fund-raising campaign is being sponsored by The Daily Collegian.

Hat Society Action Delayed

Action on a proposed sophomore men's and a senior woman's hat society were postponed at a meeting of the Hat Societies Council last night.

The action on the men's group was taken after David Arnold, president of Druids, said his society would be forced to eliminate tapping any members of the present sophomore class if it were to be a sophomore hat society.

Although Druids is listed in its constitution as a sophomore hat society, most members are juniors, Arnold said. The men are tapped in their third or fourth semester. They are, however, eligible to be tapped for the regular junior hat societies later in the spring, he said.

Thomas Farrell, president of Androcles, junior men's hat society, said he was for a sophomore society, although his own society had voted nearly unanimously against it.

Most women attending the meeting said their societies felt that Mortar Board was a goal, and no new society should be formed.

expected to attend the Hort Show James Boodley, chairman, said. Specially grown flowers are being primed for display, and orchard fruit, along with vegetable and breeding material, will be shown.

Get the Skis Out—We've Had Snow

With football season not even half over and Halloween still a few weeks away, it's a little early to start thinking about that cold, wet, unpredictable stuff—snow—or is it?

According to Dr. Charles Hosler, meteorologist at the College weather station, snow fell at 4:30 a.m. yesterday. The flakes melted as fast as they hit the ground, but—

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