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FIVE CENTS

Cecily Gets a Caller



CONNIE MELVIN, as Cecily in Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest," receives Algonon Moncrieff, portrayed by Gordon Greer, because she thinks his name is Ernest. The Wilde comedy opened a seven-week run at Center Stage last night.

Quips, Satire Mark Opening of 'Earnest'

By BETTIE LOUX

Considered by many to be the best modern farce in the English language, Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest" opened a seven-week run at Center Stage last night with its darting quips and derisions of society in as brilliant form as ever.

Players chose what is probably the most representative work of that oh-so-wonderful stylist Wilde to start their 33d season and presented it in most respects on a par with their usual good productions. A good many lines were lost, however, on a rather unresponsive first-night crowd that took greater delight in the buffonery of the third act than the subtleties of the first.

English high society of the 19th century is twitted and railed by such lines as "Fortunately in England education produces no effect whatsoever . . . If it did, it would prove a serious danger to the upper classes, and probably lead to acts of violence . . ." and "The chin a little higher, dear. Style largely depends on the way the chin is worn."

'Claptrap Plot'

These delivered for the most part, of course, with the straightest of faces . . . and coming so quickly that if they had been pointed up more by the actors, or appreciated more by the audience, half of them would have been drowned out by the laughter accompanying the preceding ones.

Playgoers expecting anything in the way of a plot are bound to be disappointed, but then that's the way the eccentric, flower-carrying, satirist intended it. What John Gassner calls a "claptrap plot" full of intrigue and misunderstanding simply serves as a peg for Wilde's wit—the best we've seen and heard in a long time.

Incident Upon Incident

And the visual side is important, too, for the stylized stage business—the dainty nibbling of cucumber sandwiches, for instance, points up the barbs so that the end result is good dramaturgy.

Incidents—each one more remarkable than the last—pile upon incidents to make a ludicrous situation from which there would

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TODAY'S WEATHER

CLOUDY
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State, Lion Parties To Meet Tomorrow

The State and Lion parties will hold their first clique meetings of the semester at 7 p.m. tomorrow, as both parties begin preparations for the freshman and sophomore class elections to be held Nov. 13.

The State Party will meet in 121 Sparks, while the Lion Party will meet in 10 Sparks.

Kinsolving To Speak At Chapel

Dr. Arthur L. Kinsolving, rector of St. James Episcopal Church, New York City, will speak on "The Mystery within Relationships" at Chapel services 11 a.m. tomorrow in Schwab Auditorium.

A native of New York, Dr. Kinsolving has received degrees from the University of Virginia, Virginia Theological Seminary, Amherst College, University of Vermont, Rollins College, Boston University, and Princeton. He was also Rhodes scholar to Oxford University from Christ Church, Va.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa and Delta Kappa Epsilon, he is chairman of the University Christian Mission. He served as trustee of Vassar College and Amherst College and is at present trustee of Folger Shakespeare Library and the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

Vice president of the Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society, Dr. Kinsolving is also a member of the executive committee of the Department of Evangelism, the Federal Council of Churches.

At tomorrow's services the Chapel choir will sing "My Inmost Heart Now Raises" (Bach) and "All Glory Be to God on High" (Lundquist).

George Ceiga, Chapel organist, will play as prelude "Fantasia-C Major," as offertory "Adagio-Tenth Trio," and as postlude "We All Believe in One God," all by Bach.

WD to Elect Officers

The West Dorm Council will elect officers at 7 p.m. Monday in the McKee Hall lounge, Bryson Craine, student government counselor of the West Dorm area, announced yesterday.

Special Displays to Open State Week Observance

Special displays in the West Dorm lounge, Pattee Library, Mineral Industries Building, and the Zoology Building will initiate Pennsylvania Week Monday.

The Mineral Industries display will include a map of Pennsylvania printed in England in 1770, relief maps of Pennsylvania, developed a special exhibit in the Zoology Building to show its contributions to the commonwealth.

The West Dorm lounge display will include exhibits from the various schools of the College. Members of the Woman's Student Government Association will arrange the display today, the center of which will be a detailed replica of Independence Hall that was found in the basement of Burrows Building.

Work by Pennsylvania artists and architects will be exhibited in the Pattee Library. Approximately half of the display, under the direction of Dr. Harold C. Dickson, professor of fine arts, and Elsa Lisle, circulation librarian, will be devoted to the work of the late Dr. Warren B. Mack, former head of the Horticulture department.

The Psychology department has

Walter Sachs, State Party clique chairman, and William Walters, acting Lion Party clique chairman, urged freshmen and sophomores interested in politics and student government to attend the meetings.

According to the elections code, which governs actions of student political parties, preliminary nominations for the sophomore and freshman class offices will be held Oct. 19, while final nominations will take place Oct. 26.

Orientation Planned

Tomorrow's Lion Party meeting will be devoted to the election of a clique chairman and vice chairman. Other business will include opening nominations for freshman and sophomore class clique officers, and preliminary interviewing of persons interested in working on publicity and contact work for the coming election campaign.

Class clique officer nominations are not listed on the State Party agenda. In order to orient freshman and sophomore students unfamiliar with the Penn State political party system, Sachs said the party organization and functions will be explained.

Previous to these opening clique meetings, steering committees of both parties have been meeting. The major issue resulting is the proposed joint fund-raising campaign by the parties. It has been suggested that a book of Bibler's Little Man on Campus cartoons be sold during Homecoming Weekend. If the plan is carried through, the parties will split the profits from the sale and use this for their political campaigns. In previous years the parties have staged individual fund-raising campaigns.

Committees to Meet

Campaigning for candidates will begin no earlier than 12:01 a.m. Nov. 6 and will end before 8:30 a.m. Nov. 13, election day. Further limitations set up by the elections committee include the maximum of \$150 to be expended by either party clique during the campaign.

Members of the steering committees of both parties will meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow. The State party will hold its meeting at Acacia, while the Lion Party will meet at Phi Gamma Delta.

Draft Forms Available Monday

Approximately 2100 applications for the Selective Service college qualification tests will be distributed between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in the second floor lounge of Old Main, Frank J. Simes, dean of men, has announced.

To receive applications, students must have their Selective Service registration cards and numbers unless they have recently reached the age of 18 and have not yet received registration forms.

To be eligible for the test, the applicant, on the testing date he selects, must intend to request occupational deferment as a student, must be satisfactorily pursuing a full-time college course leading to a degree, and must not previously have taken the test.

The tests will be administered at the College Dec. 4 and April 23. Applications for the Dec. 4 test must be postmarked on or before midnight Nov. 1 and those for the April 23 test on or before March 9.

Students may also obtain applications for the tests at their local draft boards.

The college qualification test is used by the Selective Service system to provide local boards with evidence of the relative qualifications of registrants for College work.

Fraternities Contribute \$110 For Lion Suit

Fraternity contributions in the "Dress the Lion Day" drive conducted by Androcles hatmen Thursday amounted to \$110 as of yesterday and more is expected, Philip Greenburg, Androcles Lion suit campaign manager, has announced.

The hatmen solicited at the fraternities during the noon and evening meals Thursday. At their campus and Corner Room booths, the hatmen collected \$32.70. A \$5 donation by Philotes, independent women's social group, and a \$1 contribution by Anthony Tornetta were made at the Daily Collegian office yesterday.

These figures added to the fraternity contribution and the \$158 collected earlier in the fund drive have brought the total to \$306.70. Approximately \$400 is needed to replace the shabby Lion suit.

Greenburg asks that all hatmen who solicited fraternity contributions turn them over to him as soon as possible.

Dance Tickets on Sale

Tickets for the Autumn Ball, priced at \$2 per couple, are on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main. Jack Huber and his orchestra will play for the dance to be held Oct. 18 at Recreation Hall.

Independent Out Today

The Independent newsletter will be distributed today. It will contain a feature article on Leonides, women's independent group, as well as the regular sports coverage on independent intramurals.