

Christoff Death Still a Mystery

The death of strangulation-victim June Christoff, a former coed, remained a mystery yesterday as no official verdict on the girl's death has been released by Cambria County officials.

Results of lie detector tests Wednesday on her brother, Jean, threw no new light on the girl's death. The 28-year-old combat veteran disappeared shortly before the discovery of his sister's body

in their home near Frugality in Cambria County.

She was found Feb. 17 with a cloth belt-noose knotted tightly around her neck. Officials said suicide was possible but have withheld an official verdict until after intensive questioning of her brother.

To Question Student

Police said earlier they intended to question Miss Christoff's ex-fiance, Robert Overly, eighth semester industrial arts major. Overly denied yesterday any knowledge of the intended questioning and said police had not contacted him.

Cambria County District Attorney Fred J. Fees said yesterday that police had intentions of questioning Overly. He said Overly was to have been questioned Thursday, but another case required the services of officers in the county.

Fees said he thought a state police officer was coming to State College yesterday to question Overly. Overly could not be reached last night for comment.

Brother Awaiting Trial

Fees reported that Overly and Miss Christoff had broken off their engagement last summer. Since then, he said, the girl was despondent and "broken-up." She may have been brooding, he said, so Overly would be questioned to see if he might be able to throw light on a possible suicide.

The girl's brother is waiting for trial, Fees said, as a result of hearings Thursday. He has been charged with two burglaries in Cambria County. He will not be submitted to more lie detector tests, Fees said. Results by earlier tests were termed "inconclusive and incomplete."

With a Song in Their Hearts



THE ROBERT SHAW CHORALE, accompanied by the String Ensemble, presented the third of the series of Community Concerts in Schwab

Auditorium last night. The company consists of 30 choristers and 20 instrumentalists.

44 Picked For Roles In 'Roberta'

The cast of Thespians' "Roberta" by Jerome Kern will receive the musical support of 44 voices and dancing feet when the spring production plays Schwab Auditorium April 16, 17, and 18.

General Director Ray Fortunato has chosen for glee singers Ralph Laudenslayer, Dick Boundy, Bill Robinson, Bob Piper, Howard Warren, Tom Folwell, Gene Edington, Charles Suerken, Barbara Rollo, Peggy Crooks, Judy Koenig, Fay Holden, Joanne Church, Joan Herbst, Carolyn Baer, and Donna Lafferty.

Pianist Barbara Repscha will accompany the singers through the Kern score which includes "Let's Begin," "Lovely to Look At," "Hard to Handle," "Something Had to Happen," and "Yesterdays." Lyrics are by Otto Harbach.

Choreographers Joanne McNally and Don Stohl are practicing with a dancing ensemble of Alice Lindsay, Eleanor Ehmann, Dorothy Drumble, Celeste McDermott, Elsie Ford, Mitzi Stein, Terry Dolson, Ruth Rapp, Ruth Anne Schnell, Berenice Swartz, Peggy Mayberry, Ann Bloomfield, Betty Bell, Alice Grubbe, Betty Lou Lentz, and Carol Stevenson.

Don Hartz, Dick Altman, Bob Sherer, Bob James, Endell Korman, Warren Homas, Dick Stonebach, Philip Lang, John Graham, Joe Fleming, and Joe Beck. Marilyn McComb is assistant dance director for the show. Pianists accompanying the dancers are Ann Benlingame and Eli Arenberg.

Zone Conclave Of Chi Phi Starts Today

The local chapter of Chi Phi will be host to a regional conclave of representatives of the Pennsylvania-New Jersey Zone today and tomorrow.

Representatives will be here from chapters at Franklin and Marshall College, Lafayette College, Lehigh University, Stevens Institute, and Rutgers University. Discussions on rushing, pledging, finances, alumni and public relations, fraternity constitutions, social affairs, expansion, and house care and improvement will take place at committee meetings Saturday morning and at a plenary session Saturday afternoon.

The speaker for the conclave will be the national director of Chi Phi, L. Z. Rosser of Atlanta, Ga.

The conclave will close tomorrow when the members of the local chapter and the delegates attend Chapel in a group. A report on the convention results will be made up and sent to all chapters in the country.

Blood Drive Nets 252 Pints in 1952

Students donated 252 pints of blood to the Red Cross during the six visits of the bloodmobile to the State College chapter last year, Victor Beede, chapter chairman, has reported.

More than 500 residents of the State College area gave 748 pints. Several contributors gave eight or more times, and many donors have given twice.

The next visit of the bloodmobile to this area will be April 3. Persons wishing to donate may make appointments by calling the chapter office, 3162.

Stage Crews Prepare For 'Lute Song' Opening

Sixty students are at work on seven stage crews for Players production of the Chinese extravaganza, "Lute Song." Director Robert D. Reifsnider, associate professor of dramatics, will present the musical fantasy next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Schwab Auditorium.

Tickets, priced at 60 cents for Thursday night and \$1 for the weekend performances, will go on sale at noon Monday at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Charles Gauntt is stage manager in charge of the combined crews. Assistant stage manager is Cameron Iseman.

Muriel Stein, graduate assistant of dramatics, will supervise costumes. The costume crew consists of Manager Pat Jenkins, Jane Howland, Alice Mears, Diana Means, Carol Wilson, Barbara Cotter, Jean Graham, and Agnes Funk.

Working under Co-managers Doris Leventhal and Ross Barnard on the makeup crew are Sondra Duckman, Diana Rafuse, Connie Kidner, Ruth Fitz, Guyla Woodward, Agnes Porter, Alma Gratz, and Lois Traxell.

Leroy Kromis will manage the property crew consisting of John Lent, Ruth Kluger, Phyllis Suckenik, Betsy Yaunkins, Dorothy Kauffman, Ann Keese, and Marty Rojahn.

Lighting will be handled by Manager George Jason and his crew manned by Si Morrill, Al Klein, Ray Wells, John Clarke,

AIM Board To Try 5 Men

The Association of Independent Men judicial board of review will hear cases involving five students at its meeting at 6:45 p.m. Monday in the Student Government Room of Old Main.

Four men are charged with breaking the West Dorm dating code, and one with disorderly conduct in McKee Hall lounge.

Edward Thieme, chairman of the judicial board, said the four students had dates in the West Dorm lounges after their closing time Military Ball weekend.

Peter Betley, and Jolly Oswald. Jo Llewelyn will manage the sound crew with the assistance of Sally Lessig.

Special properties and sets resembling those used in Chinese theaters are being built by the construction crew under the direction of Manager Bill Nudorf. On the crew are Arlene Borgeson, Miss Llewelyn, Barbara Estep, Mary Loubris, Hester Anskis, Miss Rojahn, Joe Beau Seigneur, and Dave Grove.

Ruth McSparran is manager of the advertising crew. Working on the crew are Miss Kluger, Fay Goldstein, Cindy Fetterman, Sue Leib, Jan Schuetz, Lois Stellmack, Paul MacKin, Joan Clarey, John Yeatman, Bobbe Schmidt, Lu Martin, Annette Bortman, Elida Morgan, Nancy Dahl, Terry Moslak, and Diane Thatcher.

Special music for the production has been arranged by Alden Shope and Don Rentschler. Musical director is Juanita Sherk. Reifsnider is in charge of choreography. Players' designer Russell Whaley has designed a number of simple oriental settings. Mesrop Kesdekian, dramatics instructor, is serving as technical advisor.

State History Shown In Stamp Collection

Students of Pennsylvania history should be more than casually interested in the Pattee Library's present exhibit, sponsored annually by the Mount Nittany Philatelic Society. Stamps of people and events intimately connected with Pennsylvania historical events are featured.

One Pennsylvania collection consists of stampless letters, all dated before 1848. At that time the U.S. Post Office ended the practice of simply marking envelopes and began to make greater use of stamps in the state. Foreign covers and envelopes with stamps attached, which have been selected for color and design, represent every country in the world. Stamp enthusiasts primarily interested in beautiful engraving work can find it in the collection of British colonial stamps. The English are noted for more careful engraving than many other nations, according to Dr. Benjamin F. Howell, associate professor of geophysics, in charge of the exhibit.

Dr. Howell's contribution has been a "number" collection arranged in sequence. He explained that the numbers are to be found both in the cancellation and the design of the stamp.

Some examples of pre-cancels are included. These stamps were canceled before, instead of after, mailing. One modern instance of this practice is illustrated by Sears & Roebuck, which arranges to have its catalogues canceled before mailing, with the inscription SRC followed by the date.

Spectators who became interested in stamp collecting may make practical use of another part of the collection, which illustrates how to collect stamps.

Prof Named Chairman

Dr. Fred G. Merkle, professor of soil technology, has been selected to serve as chairman of the Technical Committee on Soil Structure Research by the agronomists of Northeastern United States.

Dance Tickets To Go on Sale

Tickets for the semi-formal Forestry Ball will be on sale at the corner of the Mall and Pollock road at noon Monday, Clark Sell, chairman, announced yesterday.

An eight-foot statue, "Smokey Bear," the mascot of the Forest Service, will be displayed at that time, Sell said. The statue will be part of the decorations at the dance.

The dance, sponsored annually by the Forestry Society, will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight Friday in Recreation Hall. Jim Erb and his Penn State Blue Notes will provide the music.

Tickets, which are \$2 a couple, may also be purchased at the Student Union desk in Old Main or from members of the Forestry Society.

Creamery Open Sunday

The College Creamery salesroom will be open Sundays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. beginning tomorrow.

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