

Combined Arts Display Opens

The Combined Arts Exhibit, part of the Combined Arts festival planned by student representatives from the various arts departments, opened yesterday on the second floor lounge of Old Main.

The display, planned and set up by a student committee, features a wide variety of art and design in water colors, sculpture, ceramics, textiles, etchings, engravings, architecture, landscaping, and oils.

Open Houses Planned

Displays illustrate the combined efforts of art students, showing the relation of one type art with other arts.

Program for the coming week includes open houses by the Art Education and Architecture departments. The Art Education department will open its program at 2 p.m. today with a coffee hour sponsored by the Art Education Forum.

Exhibits will continue May 9 with paintings, sculpture, graphics, ceramics, and a puppet show on display at the Art Education department in the Temporary Classroom Building. Architecture Open House will be held today through May 9.

Five O'Clock Theater

Cooperating with the Department of Architecture in setting up exhibits are Fine Arts, Landscape Architecture, Drama, and Dance.

General exhibit director is Charles Hall, tenth semester architecture major. This is the first year students have been in charge of the festival. Previously a committee of faculty members planned the exhibits.

An original script-in-hand production will be given by the Five O'Clock Theater at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Little Theater, basement of Old Main, and a modern dance recital will be given at 8 p.m. Wednesday in White Hall.

AF Inaugurates Officer Program

Two programs inaugurated by the Air Force for direct commissions and a Marine Corps officer candidate course are currently open to graduating seniors.

Male seniors majoring in chemistry, physics, engineering, or mathematics may apply for direct commission in the Air Force. Minimum active duty requirement for the program is two years.

Graduating students who have completed mathematics through integral calculus and one year of college physics may qualify for commission under the Air Force meteorology training program. Under this program applicants will go into active service and be assigned to one of seven colleges and universities affiliated with the Air Force.

Applications for the two programs may be obtained from the Commanding General, First Air Force, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York, attention of the director of Military Personnel Procurement.

The Marine Corps officer candidate course will convene July 9 for a ten-week training course leading to second lieutenant's commissions.

Young GOPs Picnic

The Penn State chapter of the Young Republican Club will hold a picnic at noon tomorrow at Whipple Dam, according to Benjamin Sinclair, president.

Miss Penn State Fee Deadline Today

The deadline for organizations to submit \$1 checks for entries in the Miss Penn State contest is noon today, according to Nancy D. White, Spring Week coronation chairman.

Parade applications will be accepted until noon Monday, George Richards, parade director, has announced.

Both checks and applications may be handed in at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Ugly Man Parade Set For Tuesday

Costumed Caravan To Include Band

A parade of Ugly Man contestants will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday to start off campaigns for the three-day contest.

Each contestant, outfitted in a costume similar to the one his picture was taken in, will ride along the parade route in a decorated car.

A band composed of members of Phi Mu Alpha, music honorary, will lead the parade.

Starting at the corner of E. Prospect and Locust Lane, the parade will proceed down Locust Lane to E. College avenue. From there the group will turn right on Shortlidge road and then left on Pollock road. From Pollock road the group will move to Burrows road. From there they will turn right to the parking lot in front of Recreation Hall, where the group will disband.

Eight additional Ugly Man contestants entered the contest Thursday night.

The names of the contestants and their sponsoring organizations are Norman Albert, Tri Xi; James Bloxham, Phi Kappa Tau; Richard Brugger, Alpha Sigma Phi; Robert Frame, first floor Thompson; David Pellnitz, Kappa Delta; Bruce Schroeder, Phi Delta Theta; Robert Sherman, Beta Sigma Rho; and Ronald Thorpe, Delta Upsilon.

Students may enter the Ugly Man identification contest until Tuesday. Pictures of contestants are now on display down town in the Western Union office window.

Comp Prof Doubles As Ballad Collector

By HELEN LOUISE LUYBEN

In the spring some men's fancies turn to thoughts of love but other men, like Samuel Bayard, associate professor of English composition, go off into the mountains in search of folk ballads.

Bayard, one of the foremost collectors of American folk music in the United States, has in the past 25 years deserted civilization

often enough to gather a book full of fine tunes and drawers full of other unpublished folk ballads. Equipped with a 10-cent music tablet on which he records the words and music sung to him by mountaineers, the professor sets out to visit the families living in the hills of Green County in western Pennsylvania. He goes by bus and mail hack, and when the grass gets too high, he walks.

Native West Virginian

What kind of people does he visit? "They're just the people who remember the folk songs," said Mr. Bayard. "Some are decorous and some are rude; some are good solid citizens, and others social outcasts."

Bayard told of one old native West Virginian he visited—a grim little man whose talk was dismal. It seems the man's wife was crippled with rheumatism and his neighbors were trying to steal his money and property from him.

"All the fellow would sing was a string of comic songs. He said he could have remembered more songs for me if I'd only brought along a little snort," Bayard said. "Those were prohibition days, you remember."

Natives Hesitant to Sing

Bayard, who teaches a course in American folk song in English, has made recordings of some of the natives singing the folk tunes.

Natives are sometimes hesitant about singing for him, but Bayard said, "I just go in and explain what I want to do. I ask them to sing, and soon as they see I like the songs as well as they do, everything's fine."

Folk tunes he has heard in western Pennsylvania are representative of all Anglo-American folk music, Bayard said. The ballad is traditionally reserved, staid, sober and plain; the music is austere and undemonstrative.

The origin of the American folk song lies in the religious revival which occurred in the United States in the period between 1800

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Push-Up Skill Is Requirement For He-Man

Mastery of the art of doing push-ups, as well as an Atlas-like build and sheer strength, is desirable in men competing for the title of All-College He-Man, according to Joseph Barnett, chairman of the contest.

Approximately 30 entries in the He-Man preliminaries will remain after the first event, Barnett said. The preliminaries will touch off Spring Week activities at 5 p.m. May 11 on the large field east of Nittany Dormitories.

A standing broadjump, 100-yard dash, shot put, and soccer kick judged on a point basis will determine the eight finalists.

In the finals, following the carnival parade May 12, contestants will be entered under special titles of their choosing, with costumes to match. The All-College He-Man will be chosen for appropriate dress, weight lifting, a specialty skill test, and physical build in the bathing suit he must wear beneath his costume.

He-Man entries are due at 5 p.m. Thursday at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

WD to Elect New President Monday Night

West Dorm Council will hold its spring presidential election at 7 p.m. Monday in the main lounge of McKee Hall. Independent men who intend to live in the West Dorm area next year are eligible for nomination.

This is the first year that nominations and the election have been held in the spring. The revision is the result of a recent amendment to the council constitution. The new amendment states: "West Dorm Council shall elect a president for the following year within the week following the Association of Independent Men's spring elections."

The amendment was officially approved in living units by the necessary two-thirds majority required for a constitutional amendment.

Nominations will be considered and seconded by the council. Nominees will be permitted to give a brief review of their qualifications before the president is elected by the 18-member council.

Cutler to Head Physics Group

Members of Sigma Pi Sigma, national physics honor society, recently elected Warren Cutler, graduate student in physics, president for 1953-54.

Other officers are Ernest Yost, vice president; Jean Bennett, secretary; and Robert Read, treasurer. Dr. F. Raymond Smith, associate professor of physics, was elected adviser.

The chapter initiated Robert Newnham, Arthur Pavlovic, Edward Scicchitano, Howard Shields, Charles Rockman and Howard Weisberger Tuesday in Osmond Laboratory.

A chapter banquet was held in the Cadillac Room at the Autoport following the ceremony. Dr. Henry L. Yeagley, associate professor of physics, spoke on the "Physical Basis of Bird Navigation."

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4 Students to Lead Senior Ball Band

Four students will have a chance to lead Sammy Kaye's band when he brings his famous radio-television feature, "So You Want to Lead a Band," to the Senior Ball, May 15.

All students are eligible to submit letters to the Student Union desk saying (in 25 words or less) why they like to dance to Sammy Kaye.

The Senior Ball committee, headed by William O'Malley, will choose a number of the best letters and submit them to judges for final selection. Judges will be announced later.

Four winning contestants, two men and two women, will be announced at the dance. They will be offered the "swing and sway" baton for one dance number and will be awarded prizes from local merchants. Arrangements are being made to award an autographed baton to the best band-leader, O'Malley said.

Now in its ninth year, "So You

Want to Lead a Band" has been presented on three television channels and numerous radio networks. It was recently spotlighted on the "Sammy Kaye Show" over CBS-TV.

Over 10,000 amateur conductors have already tried their prowess with Kaye's baton. After individual interviews, contestants will be given the baton. Musicians will follow every motion by the leader, and the winner will be judged by audience reaction.

Assisting O'Malley on the Senior Ball committee are Lucy Barr, Howard Wright, Lester Hallman, Edna Grabiak and Boyd Wolfe.

Speech Contest Entrants to Vie In Semi-finals

Semi-finals for the John Henry Frizzell extempore speaking contest, sponsored annually by the Department of Speech, will begin at 8 p.m. Monday in 312 Sparks.

Entrants in the semi-final rounds will speak for five minutes, without notes, on topics chosen by themselves. Six winners will compete in the final round, set for 7 p.m. Thursday in 121 Sparks.

Finalists will speak from eight to ten minutes, without notes, on a topic other than the one used in the semi-finals. First and second prizes will be awarded.

First prize will consist of the John Henry Frizzell award of merit in extempore speaking and the Pennsylvania State College prize of \$50. The Forensic Council prize of \$25 and the Frizzell award is the second prize.

The contest is named in honor of John Henry Frizzell, first head of the Department of Speech. Frizzell now holds the rank of professor of speech emeritus and College chaplain emeritus.

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