

Egyptian Attitudes Described by Silva

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Egyptians have two passwords by which they face life—"malish" or "nevermind," and "handalala" or "thanks be to God," Dr. Ruth Silva, assistant professor of political science, said in describing her impressions of the Egyptian people during her year of teaching in Cairo.

The worst is always expected, she said of the Egyptians. If it happens, the former word is used. If it doesn't happen, the latter is in order.

Seniors to Air Holiday Plan

Seniors may sign for Spring Week committees at a class meeting at 7 tonight in 119 Osmond, Richard Crafton, president, announced yesterday.

The recommendation to All-College Cabinet concerning the one-day Spring Carnival holiday will be the principal topic of discussion, Crafton said. The recommendation provides for a one-day holiday for Spring Carnival. If the recommendation is passed, Easter vacation will be shortened by one day.

Elimination of final examinations for eighth semester students will also be discussed. A proposal to eliminate examinations was called unfeasible by the College Senate this summer.

Suggestions for the senior gift and the orchestra for Senior Ball May 14 will also be considered.

Cabinet --

(Continued from page one) been rejected by Interfraternity Council, student councils of the Schools of Agriculture, Mineral Industries, and Home Economics, and other groups.

Cabinet will vote on an amendment to the All-College constitution giving Tribunal authority to hear appeals from the all-college elections committee. The constitution now provides for such appeals to be handled by the subcommittee on organization of the Senate committee on student affairs. The amendment was presented previously by Thomas Farrell as part of the encampment recommendations of the second judicial reorganization committee which he headed.

The acquisition of the National Students' Association subcommittee on student leadership will be explained to cabinet by Robert Smoot, campus NSA coordinator.

A student counselor's report on Orientation Week will be presented by Michael Jordan. The report will explain work of the counseling program, as established in conjunction with the Dean of Men's office.

Cabinet will also hear the encampment resolutions on resident counselor relations.

Chest --

(Continued from page one) dent Union desk in Old Main, Enelow said. The contributions will not be considered for the awards.

Less than half of the contributors designated organizations to which they wish their money given, Enelow said.

Dr. Silva spoke to the Faculty Luncheon Club Monday on "Modern Egypt."

During her stay in Egypt, she saw Egyptian history made: the establishment of land reform, the abolition of the old parties in favor of one party, and the proclamation of a new republic.

Egyptians are an easy-going, friendly, and generous people, she said, and the country is a "society of contrast."

Egyptian Likes Gadgets
"Most upper class people want you to like Egypt very much," Dr. Silva said. However, the Egyptian, despite his loyalty to his country, takes a greater interest in American and European gadgets, she added.

"Never admire anything an Egyptian has," she said, "because he will give it to you. If it is too big to carry he will have his servant deliver it to you the next day."

No matter how lowly an Egyptian may be, he will always find something more lowly. As an illustration she pointed to her servant, who refused to carry groceries. He felt that this was below him, so hired someone else to carry them.

Speak 3 Languages
A group of university students went on strike not long ago demanding that they have servants to shine their shoes and to perform other minor tasks which they felt were below them, she said. As a result, the students no longer have to shine their shoes, Dr. Silva said.

Many of the people speak three languages in one sentence, she said. They may combine French verbs, English nouns, and Arabic adjectives in one sentence.

In discussing the "society of contrast" Dr. Silva recalled that some Egyptian women dressed in clothes reminiscent of Biblical times, while others wear clothes that would "put Parisian women to shame." She pointed out that a man may be seen riding a donkey, while another man is driving a Cadillac.

Keep Population Down
A survey by the Rockefeller Foundation showed that 90 per cent of the population suffered from vilharsia, a disease which comes from unclean water. Cairo has one of the finest medical set-ups in the world, and doctors can cure, and even prevent the disease.

However, they would rather let it continue, Dr. Silva explained, because they say they have to keep the population down because of a lack of food.

Dr. Silva said she had been told that doctors felt it is better if people died of vilharsia than to let them die by starvation.

West Dorm Men To Guard Shrine Against Vandals

Freshman men from the West Dorm area will guard the Lion Shrine in three shifts from 7 p.m. tomorrow to 7 a.m. Saturday, against possible painting and disfiguration by West Virginia University students.

According to Ross Clark, West Dorm Council president, students from rival schools have painted the shrine before football games in previous years.

The projects committee of Panhellenic Council will serve cider and donuts to the guards.

Red Cross Unit Praises Turnout

The State College Red Cross unit yesterday announced its appreciation of the "excellent" student turnout in the blood drive held Oct. 13 to 15 at the College.

Four hundred and seven pints of blood were collected by the Johnstown Bloodmobile during the three-day drive. Although the 600 pint quota was not reached, the response was better than most places, according to Charles W. Stoddart, blood program chairman.

Poll --

(Continued from page one) still in orders for material that have been deferred for defense orders. This includes the translators which convert FM signals of the station to AM, a new antennae, and electronic equipment for the control board.

Coaxial cable has been received, he said, and is being installed. The station is now working with the College physical plant to construct a mounting for the antennae on the roof of Sparks Building.

Textile Exhibition

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Stanley High, one of the senior editors of Readers' Digest, will be among the professional men initiated.

Students tapped by the fraternity are Joseph Cooper Jr., Glen Reed, John Reid, Diehl McKalip, Lavier Procopio, Alvin Goodman, George Bairey, Philip Austin, Richard McDowell and William Snyder.

Hellenic Group to Hear Political Science Prof

Dr. Harold F. Alderfer, professor of political science, will address the Penn State Hellenic Association at 7:30 tonight in 304 Old Main.

Alderfer, who holds the highest Greek civilian award, will discuss Greece and show slides.

WSGA House to Meet

The House of Representatives of Women's Student Government Association will meet at 6:30 tonight in 111 White Hall, Maud Strawn, speaker, has announced.

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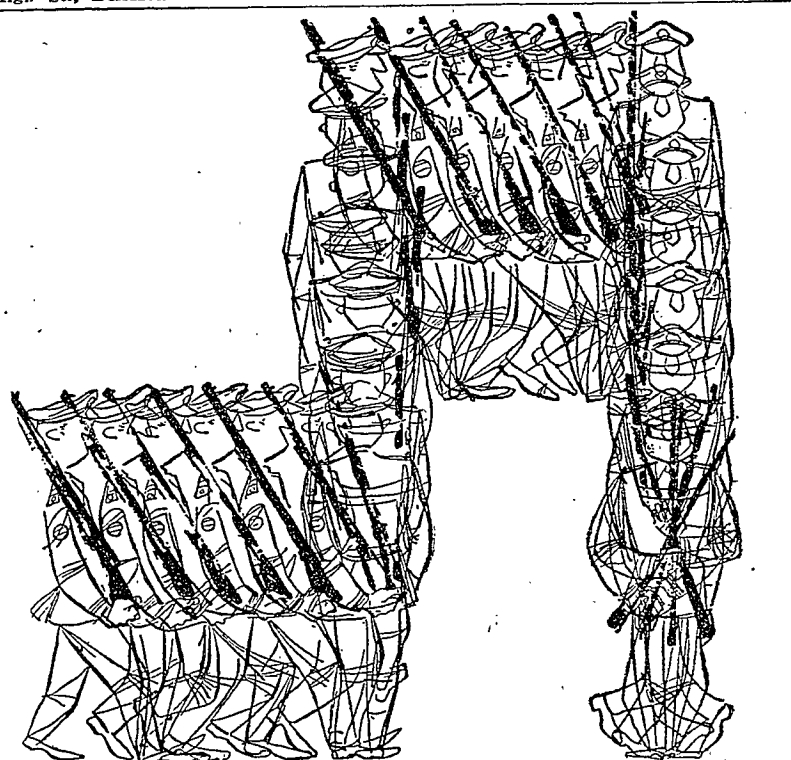
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