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Are Players Stepping Out of Line?

Players will be venturing into a new and different field, as far as their past repertoire is concerned, when they present "The Mikado," by Gilbert and Sullivan, this weekend.

That Players will present a commendable performance of this well-known work is almost certain, in view of two factors.

One is the collaboration of the Department of Music; the other, the aid of faculty members well-versed in all aspects of such work.

However, the presence of these very factors raises a question of principle. The University already maintains a musical comedy group of long and highly regarded standing: Thespians.

The question brought to mind is whether or not Players are, in principle, invading the territory of their companion dramatic group.

Thespians, in presenting two musical productions each season, employ only student direction and management. One of the shows is even written by Thespian personnel.

Players, in presenting "The Mikado," which, in effect, will be competing with Thespians in their own field in that comparisons will no

doubt be ventured, they will employ professional assistance in the persons of the faculty members who will direct the production, and they will have the advantage of presenting the best of the University's students of voice and instrument, by virtue of the participation of the Department of Music.

Thespians can audition only those students who voluntarily present themselves for vocal and instrumental roles. Players will be presenting in such roles students who were requested to audition for them.

Players are obviously undertaking a commendable enterprise in their presentation of "The Mikado." If they are highly successful in this venture, basically outside their field, they are to be complimented.

However, the fact that they are stepping into the field of another similar campus organization and employing advantages not available to that organization should be kept in mind in passing judgment on the desirability of continuing such productions, and in comparing them with the productions of the other organizations.

—Don Shoemaker

Just the Beginning

Before voting time tonight Cabinet members should know pretty well how they feel about the University's continuance in the National Student Association. And since this is the second week they have been thinking about how they want to vote, the decision should be sensible and for the University's best interest.

If the majority of members decide to stay in NSA it will be a victory for the most enthusiastic of the NSA supporters, namely those who attended the convention last summer. But such a decision will carry with it much more than the idea of victory for these spirited four.

It will mean that Cabinet will have to develop a realistic attitude toward NSA—realize its objectives as well as its limitations. Any Cabinet member who casts his vote for what he believes to be the panacea for student government ills might just as well not vote.

An affirmative vote will delegate to Cabinet members the responsibility of seeing to it that the average student takes some kind of interest in NSA affairs. For students in the past have been unaware of NSA except when its membership was brought up, voted upon, and passed.

Cabinet members will also be obligated to attend meetings, be on committees, make reports, and submit ideas to NSA. This is a big University and big things will be expected from us.

The affirmative vote, like a wedding ring means the beginning of a long struggle, not the end.

—Jackie Hudgins

Safety Valve...

Outing Club Set for Ice Show

TO THE EDITOR: The Penn State Outing Club appreciates the interest expressed by students for an ice carnival. However, this is not a new idea, as the winter sports division of the Outing Club has already advocated this to Dean Earnest B. McCoy of the College of Physical Education and Athletics. Also, this division has already contributed much to the promotion of this activity as the record will indicate.

For example, last year the division offered these services to the rink management: First, to arrange a series of figure skating exhibitions, to be produced by near-by skating clubs such as those from Hershey, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and Washington, D.C. Because the rink did not open until Jan. 1, conflicting schedules of skating clubs prevented the carrying out of this project.

Second, student figure skaters provided informal figure skating instructions to students, faculty, and children who skated at the rink Saturday morning.

Third, a student ice carnival was scheduled for March 5, 1955, under the chairmanship of Miss Joan Means and Vince Minnich. Due to exceedingly warm weather and the mounting operating costs of the rink under such weather conditions, the facility was closed a few days prior to the production date.

Finally, Dean McCoy called upon the winter sports division to arrange an informal show for the official opening of the rink. A half hour figure skating exhibition was arranged for the

Gazette...

Today

- BISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN T.V. PROGRAM, 8 p.m., Catholic Youth Center
- CABIN AND TRAILS DIVISION OF PENN STATE OUTING CLUB DIVISIONAL MEETING, 7:30 p.m., 317 Willard
- CATHOLIC YOUTH WEEK NEWMAN CLUB DAILY ROMARY, 4:15 p.m., 209 Hetzel Union
- CHIMES, 4 p.m., Simmons Walnut Lounge
- COURSE IN BASIC CONCEPTS OF JUDAISM, 7 p.m., Hillel Foundation
- COURSE IN INTERPRETATION OF BIBLE TEXT, 8 p.m., Hillel Foundation
- DAILY COLLEGIAN BUSINESS STAFF SENIOR BOARD, 8:45 p.m., 111 Carnegie
- DAIRY SCIENCE CLUB, 7 p.m., 117 Dairy
- NEWS AND VIEWS CANDIDATES AND STAFF, 6:30 p.m., 14 Home Economics
- PI MU EPSILON, 3 p.m., 228 Sparks
- PRE-VET CLUB, 7 p.m., 112 Buckhout
- PHILOSOPHY CLUB, 7:30 p.m., 218 Hetzel Union
- PSYCHOLOGY CLUB, 8 p.m., 212, 218 Hetzel Union
- SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF MANAGEMENT, 7 p.m., Lambda Chi Alpha
- SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS, 7 p.m., Mineral Science Auditorium
- UNIVERSITY PARK PROMENADERS WORK SHOP, 7 p.m., 100 Weaver
- UNIVERSITY PARK PROMENADERS DANCE, 7:30 p.m., 100 Weaver

Tomorrow

- CATHOLIC YOUTH WEEK NEWMAN CLUB DAILY MASS AND COMMUNION, 6:30 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Church
- NEWMAN CLUB COMMUNION SNACK AFTER MASS, 7 a.m., Catholic Student Center

University Hospital

Mariana Arnew, Joanne Bedenk, Louise Chaplinsky, Edgar Cooper, Dorothy DeMay, Barbara Donnelly, Delbert Ellis, John Johnson, Gary Kreisman, Rodney Morgan, John Munton, Paul North, Retta Smith, Richard Stillman, Dennis Straiter, Alvin Yoffee.

Criticizes Editorials

TO THE EDITOR: Almost every day that I pick up The Daily Collegian, I find an editorial, full of fire and fury, written by Jackie Hudgins. That young lady, although writing with an enormous and impressive vocabulary, consistently says little of value.

She is a martyr without a cause, a "man without a star." Take for example Miss Hudgins' statement in the Friday, Oct. 28, Collegian: "Busloads of such people (Penn State students) should not be taken to the United Nations."

Her reasoning is missing, but her usual blind stabs at what she glibly calls "conformity" are present. It seems to me that Miss Hudgins is guilty of conforming to the fad of attacking the plague of the day—conformity.

—Jon Plaut

University president and invited guests...

The winter sports division has already offered their services this year to the rink management to arrange exhibitions, student instruction, and an annual ice carnival at no expense to the University. We feel that the final decision as to the organization that may have the privilege of sponsoring a student ice carnival rests with Dean McCoy, but it would seem that the winter sports division of the Penn State Outing Club should have the privilege.

Letter Cut

- Joseph L. Phillips, Winter Sports Division president
- Gordon McCartney, Outing Club president

SAME to Meet Tonight

The Society of American Military Engineers will meet at 7 tonight in the Mineral Science Auditorium.

Col. Warren H. Underwood will speak on landmine warfare.

Guthrie Will Address Psychology Club Tonight

The Psychology Club will meet at 8 tonight in 212 Hetzel Union. Dr. George M. Guthrie, associate professor of psychology, will speak on "Subception and Repression."

'News and Views' Staff

Staff members and candidates for "News and Views," home economics publication, will meet at 6:30 tonight in 14 Home Economics for a general meeting. Staff heads will meet following individual staff meetings.

Little Man on-Campus

By Bibler



"I'm teaching four different courses in education, but confidentially, I give the same lecture in all of them."

Russian Aid to Continue

U.S. May Send Arms to Israel

By J. M. ROBERTS JR. Associated Press News Analyst

It begins to appear that Israel will get arms if she really needs them to insure her security, and thereby lessen the chances of war in the Middle East which could spread to war in the world.

The hope that Russia could be persuaded to call off shipment of Czech arms to Egypt is fizzling. Russian statements

in Geneva Tuesday made it clear that shipments will continue. The Russian statement that the arms will not be used to hurt Israel is just another Russian statement.

The Russians have finally brought into the open, however, an important factor in the whole Middle East situation. Arming of Egypt represents counteraction against the "Northern Tier" pact between Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan and Britain, say the Russians. And this is partly true. Britain has stepped up her arms shipments to Iraq, especially.

Russia, choosing to accept this as a threat, made it a race by trying to work with Cairo and trying to work herself in with the Arab countries which fought the pact, Syria and Egypt, or which align themselves with Egypt, as Saudi Arabia and Lebanon.

This is a double dose of Communist disruptiveness, heightening the trouble between Israel and Egypt at the same time it emphasizes the differences within the Arab world itself.

The American announcement that Israel's appeals for arms will be "considered," however, opens the door on an idea which has been avoided in previous consideration of the problem.

One thing that the United States and Britain have kept in mind since the crisis developed is that Israel had the edge when Czech sales to Egypt were announced, and they have been waiting to see whether Egypt is actually going to develop the power necessary before any attack.

Also, they don't want to give Israel the power to implement her talk of preventive war. Such a policy in South Korea prior to June, 1950, eventually proved very expensive, but it is one with which the democracies are inherently stuck.

A controlled feeding of arms to Israel might maintain the balance while Egypt is still receiving Communist material. But it would also intensify the danger to the rest of the world if a new war developed anyway.

Before this thing simmers down, the Western powers may yet have to say what the United States once said in an effort to put a

damper on Red Chinese ambitions in the Far East—that an aggressor will have to expect powerful retaliation. It just isn't in the cards for the big powers to let these small countries set off fuses which lead to explosive situations in many directions.

Relations Club Plans Panel

The International Relations Club will hold a panel discussion at 7:30 tonight in the Hetzel Union Building auditorium.

The topic will be the problem of German unification.

The panel will consist of Dr. Dagobert deLevie, assistant professor of German; Dr. Alfred G. Pundt, professor of European history; Dr. Vernon Aspatarian, assistant professor of political science; and Eugene Mares, associate professor of economics.

Following the discussion there will be a question and answer period.

Fraternity Photographs Scheduled For Tonight

Eight fraternities will have group pictures taken tonight at the Penn State Photo Shop.

The fraternities and the times they report are: Delta Tau Delta, 6:45; Phi Delta Theta, 7; Phi Epsilon Pi, 7:15; Phi Gamma Delta, 7:30; Phi Kappa, 7:45; Phi Kappa Psi, 8; Delta Theta Sigma, 8:15; Phi Kappa Tau, 8:30.

Housemothers will be included in the pictures.

Dairy Science Club Meeting

The Dairy Science Club will meet at 7 tonight in 117 Dairy.

Tonight on WDFM

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7:15	Sign On
7:20	News
7:30	Starlight Review
8:00	Jazz Club
8:30	Just Out
9:00	Call Card
9:15	News
9:30	Scenario
10:30	Sign Off