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Players' Good Record Is Sparked by "Picnic"

When Players presented "Picnic" last Saturday night it closed what might be called its most successful run since the group has been working in the Old Temporary Union Building.

The William Inge show was given Friday and Saturday nights for five weeks, and nine of these performances were played for full houses after a good many people had been turned away. The seating capacity for "Picnic" was 140 so almost 1400 people saw the show.

The type of play probably accounted for heightened student appeal, and the "sex" coupled with Players' clear interpretation and good crew work drew more people than any of the six regular-run shows performed at the new location.

Being on campus has caused a ratio change in the type of audience, according to research done by some dramatics graduate students. When the playhouse was located on Hamilton avenue, people living in town slightly outnumbered students. But since the fall of 1954, when the move was made, the ratio of students to townspeople has been almost even.

Plays are given in the arena style theater

to achieve intimacy, and it is because Players has not wanted to upset this feeling of closeness that it has not expanded its seating capacity. The type of set determines the exact number of chairs, but seldom are there more than 160 or less than 120.

Penn State Players began in 1920 when a small group of students and faculty members realized a need for an organization to sponsor legitimate plays. Before that the only drama was that found in the musical comedies, fantasies, and farces of the Thespians.

The group was founded to give students an opportunity to appear in dramatics and to furnish entertainment in the community. With a crew of some 20 students, Players gave its first performance on Feb. 6, 1920—a production of three one-act plays in Schwab Auditorium.

A lot of things combined to make the group's last show such a success, but Picnic is by no means an isolated example of what it can do. And if their past record is at all indicative of the future, we will always be justly proud of the Penn State Players.

—Jackie Hudgins

How to Fill New Sorority Suites

A plan has not yet been devised by which to choose the sororities to occupy the eight suites in the four proposed new women's dormitories, but if the method suggested on Monday by the Dean of Women's office is followed we can guarantee a lot of dissatisfaction among the Greeks.

Miss Weston said a priority rating with the eight oldest chapters on the campus having first choice was suggested.

This would be one of the most ridiculous ways to choose the sororities because the length of time a group has been on the campus is no indication that it deserves special privileges, housing or otherwise.

Regardless of the date the sorority was founded nationally or established on campus, they are all entitled to equal treatment by Panhellenic Council and by the University in all respects.

If any specific group should be 'selected' to occupy the new suites, consideration might be given to the two sororities that the University has been unable to furnish suites. Due to no

fault of their own they must now meet in initiation rooms or in lounges.

Since all the rest of the sororities seem not to deserve any special attention because of past inconvenience the remaining six suites should be assigned arbitrarily.

The specific system to be used is unimportant, just so impartiality is shown. Of course a group that did not care to move into one of the new buildings should be allowed to remain in its present location.

To satisfy the Greeks should be the object of any method selected by the Dean of Women's office. We hope they are satisfied.

—Jackie Hudgins

Gazette...

University Hospital
Mary Broody, Nancy Crouse, Regeania Debo, John Defulgentis, Joyce Faust, George Fish, Judith Haag, William Harrison, Philip Harry, Terry Hutton, Albert Kinzinger, Samuel Showers, Anne Sterner, Costas Thomas, Joan Yoder, Ross Nickerson, James Burke, Jeanne Maxwell, John Arnat, and James Patterson.

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Aw-w-w college ain't so tough—I'da got a strait "A" if it hadn't been for that stupid shop course."

Mr. Dulles' Statement

It's Hard to Explain U.S. Foreign Policy

By J. M. ROBERTS JR.

Associated Press News Analyst

Secretary of State Dulles' formal reply to the furore created by expressions attributed to him in a Life Magazine article emphasizes that American policy has been following a steady course laid down years ago, regardless of the difficulty of putting it into words.

The policy has been developing, of course, as the nature of the conflict with Russia has developed.

At first the Truman administration relied heavily on America's exclusive possession of the atomic bomb to deter any aggression which would cause the United States to fight.

Then, as Russia shifted back and forth between a military and a political or economic infiltration policy; the Marshall plan and the North American Treaty Organization were devised. Containment of Communist expansion in any form became the first objective, followed by creation of a position of strength from which it was hoped East-West settlements could be negotiated eventually.

The Korean War was fought to convince the Communists that aggression could not be made to pay.

Dulles extended the policy to include advance warning of points at which the United States would react to aggressive pressure. Such pressure was being brought, or was feared, at the points which he mentioned in the Life article as having three times brought the nation to the verge of war. He now emphasizes the "brought," as against some interpretations of the statement as meaning the United States had "advanced" to the brink of war in some voluntary fashion.

There can be only two broad meanings for the vast rearmament program followed by the United States the last seven years. The strength, accompanied by the known determination to use it if pushed too far, is either a deterrent, or it is useless. The determination must always be kept clearly before all possible aggressors.

The idea that rearmament represents an acceptance of the inevitability of war, or of an intent to enforce American ideas of world organization by war, is not even believed by the Communists who express it.

The furore has been created not by real attitudes, but by words, at a time when the United States is engaged in tense domestic political activities, and by fear abroad that the critical interpretation might be the right one. Words about American foreign policy in these days can be dangerous if not very carefully put.

Chess Club Cancels Meeting

The Chess Club has canceled its regular weekly meeting scheduled for tonight.

The next meeting of the club will be held Feb. 8.

Marbut Plans Trip to Europe

Dr. Frederick B. Marbut, professor of journalism, will leave this month for Rome, London, and Paris to do research on the relation of the press and the government.

Dr. Marbut is conducting research on the aspects of regulations of the federal government on entrance to press galleries in Washington, D.C. He intends to further his research by comparing conditions here to those in England, Italy, and France.

He plans to leave with his wife right after exams end. After spending about five weeks in each of the three cities, they will fly back, arriving here sometime in May.

Dairy Club Elects Moore President

William Moore, junior in dairy science from Chatham, was elected president of the Dairy Science club at a meeting held Monday night.

Other officers elected were Howard Keiser, junior in agricultural and biological chemistry from Philadelphia, vice president; David Walter, sophomore in dairy science from Oxford, secretary; Terrence Alwine, sophomore in dairy science from Johnstown, treasurer; and Edward Wickersham, junior in dairy science from West Grove, publicity chairman.

The new officers will assume their duties at the next club meeting, which will be held Feb. 16.

Collegian Circulation Staffs

All boards of the circulation staff of The Daily Collegian will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, in the Collegian office.

Staff members must bring copies of their schedules.

Tonight on WDFM

7:15	Sign On
7:20	News and Sports
7:30	Marquee Memories
8:00	Behind the Lectern
8:30	Music of the People
9:00	BBC Weekly
9:15	News
9:30	Vituous
10:35	Sign Off

Traffic Rules To Continue

Capt. Philip A. Mark of the Campus Patrol yesterday asked students to remember that all traffic and parking regulations will continue through the final examinations period even though classes end today.

At past graduation periods, Capt. Mark said, many students thought that regulations ceased with the end of classes instead of continuing to the end of the semester. The semester ends at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 27.

Any students caught with violations will be subject to fine. Those refusing to pay their fines will appear before Traffic Court, which resumes hearings on Feb. 13, according to Capt. Mark.

Graduating seniors holding unpaid fines will be subject to action by the dean of men's office.

Cold Weather, Clouds Predicted for Today

Partly cloudy and cold weather has been forecast for today, with light snow tonight and clearing tomorrow.

The maximum temperature will be 27 degrees, and the low 19 degrees, according to students in the department of meteorology.

Yesterday's high was 30 degrees, with a low of 24.

Scrolls to Sell Cookies

Cookies will be sold in the women's dormitories by members of Scrolls, senior women's hat society, from 10 to 11 p.m. starting tomorrow.

The cookies will sell for 39 and 49 cents a box. The money will be used for the Scrolls scholarship fund.

Engagements

Jordan-Turner

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Turner of Kenmore, N.Y., announce the engagement of their daughter Beverly Ann to Mr. Steven Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Jordan of San Bernardino, Calif.

Miss Turner is a sophomore in arts and letters and a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority at Ohio Wesleyan University. She plans to transfer to the University at the beginning of next semester.

Mr. Jordan is a junior in arts and letters and is corresponding secretary and pledgemaster of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He is also president of Androcles, junior men's hat society.

Jenkins-Monroe

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Monroe of Sharon announce the engagement of their daughter Eleanor to Mr. Robert Jenkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jenkins of Sharon.

Miss Monroe was graduated from the University in June and is now doing her internship as a dietician at the Shadyside Hospital in Pittsburgh. She is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Mr. Jenkins is a senior in industrial art.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Shaw-Vought

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin E. Vought of Lansdowne announce the engagement of their daughter Donna to 2nd Lt. William Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Shaw of Uniontown.

Miss Vought is a senior in elementary education and a member of Delta Gamma.

2nd Lt. Shaw was graduated from the University in June, 1954, and is now stationed at Palm Beach Air Force Base. He is a member of Delta Tau Delta.

A summer wedding is planned.

Injured Men Reported Good

The condition of two men who were injured while working on the water tower in Hort Woods Monday was reported good yesterday.

The workers, Charles Chaney, 24, and Donald Peltz, 29, employees of the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co. were injured when a crane boom broke and fell.

Chaney was underneath the boom when it fell. He received nine fractured ribs among other injuries. Peltz, who was on top of the boom when it started to fall, leaped to the ground and suffered two broken heels.

Authorities at the Centre County Hospital, where the two men are confined, said that they "are getting along as well as can be expected."

Spring Week Committee Applications Available

Applications for students interested in serving on All-University Cabinet Spring Week Committee are now available at the Hetzel Union desk.

People who have previously written for membership on the committee need not fill out an application, All-University President Earl Seely said.

Tribunal for Saar Disputes

LONDON, Jan. 17 (AP)—The council of the Western European Union intends to set up a tribunal in the Saar to settle disputes there between French and German interests.

Engineer Available at HUB

The Penn State Engineer is still available at the Hetzel Union desk. Price is 25 cents.