

# Risler to Play Pheadra Ike Is 'Nominated' In Thesis Production By ICG Conclave

Jeannie Risler, graduate in theater arts from Wallingford, will enact the role of Pheadra when she presents the first acting thesis ever granted at the University at 8 tonight in the Little Theater in the basement of Old Main.

Miss Risler will play the part of Pheadra in Jean Racine's French neo-classic play by that name. She will be graded for her masters degree on her ability to create the character of Pheadra.

Walter Vail, graduate in theater arts from Upper Darby, will direct the play.

"Pheadra" will run tonight, tomorrow night, and Thursday night. No admission will be charged. Tickets will be available in the balcony of Schwab Auditorium and at the door.

Racine wrote his book from the Greek legend "Hippolytus" by Euripides. He wrote his version of the legend for the court of Louis XIV. Racine's adaptation is more formal, less violent, and more introspective.

### Crew Heads Listed

Directors for the crews are Carl Held, construction; John Henderson, sound; Gerald Denisof, make-up; Sally Miller, costumes; Caryl Newitt, lights; and Jean Kyler, stage manager.

Members of the cast are Bruce Taylor, Hippolytus; David Thompson, Theremenes; Virginia Witte, Oenone; Miss Risler, Pheadra; Joyce Andruzak, Aricia; Elaine Lethbridge, Panope; Patricia Paladino, Ismene; and Clyde Gore, Theseus.

The main plot of the play centers around Pheadra's love for Hippolytus, her husband's son by a former marriage. Pheadra is a great deal older than Hippolytus, and when he learns of her love he is completely revolted.

### Brought by Husband

Pheadra, originally from Crete and the daughter of the Sun God, was brought to Troezen by her husband, Theseus, who is king of that area.

The side plot centers around Hippolytus who is in love with Aricia. He feels he must leave because it is not in keeping with his nature to be in love and it offends him.

Pheadra attempts to banish Hippolytus from her kingdom, and he turns to hate her. It is at this time that she tells him of her love.

Hippolytus confesses the story to the king, and Pheadra kills herself.

Aricia finds Hippolytus later after he has also killed himself.

### German Club to Meet Tonight

The German Club will meet at 7:30 tonight in 105 Willard.

## Stage Over-run By Kids During 'Thirteen Clocks'

Actors in "The Thirteen Clocks" took a backseat Saturday afternoon as an audience of children over-ran the stage.

Approximately 400 children attended the production. Robert D. Reifsnider, associate professor of theater arts, explained that near the end of the first act several jewels were scattered over the stage, not all of which were collected by the actors.

After the curtain closed several youngsters in the front row ran up on the stage to pick up jewels.

During the next scene quite a few children went up to lean on the stage and sit on the steps leading up to the stage. When the Duke in the play asked where the rest of the jewels that the prince had given him were, several children ran up to give him the jewels they had taken.

Children continued to wander around on the stage until the Campus Patrol came and also walked onto the stage to get the children off.

## Eng Council Elects Head

Donald Patterson, junior in aeronautics from New Castle, has been elected president of the Engineering Student Council.

William Shelly, senior in engineering science from Avondale, has been appointed to head a committee of seniors to investigate the grounds for senior exemption from finals.

The council felt that the reasons which have been given for exempting seniors are not strong enough to warrant any action.

Self-nomination ballots for council positions will be available on the department bulletin board in Main Engineering until tomorrow.

## First Elections For May Day, WSGA, to Start

Preliminary elections for Woman's Student Government Association officers, senators, and May Day Queen and attendants will be conducted from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today in individual women's dormitories.

Women in Women's Building, Grange, and town women will vote in McAllister.

Officers to be elected include WSGA president, vice president, treasurer, senior senator, junior senator, sophomore senator, and a town senator.

The runner-up for president automatically becomes secretary and the runner-up for vice president becomes a junior senator.

Two candidates for each position will be selected at the primaries.

Voting for May Queen and attendants is being held in conjunction with the WSGA elections.

Voters will select three finalists for May Day Queen, and three finalists for Maid of Honor. The two runner-ups for May Queen will become senior attendants and the two runner-ups for Maid of Honor will be freshman attendants. These positions will be decided Thursday.

The two sophomores and juniors polling the highest number of votes tomorrow will become sophomore and junior attendants.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower was "nominated" presidential candidate on the first ballot in a model convention held by the Central Region Intercollegiate Conference on Government Saturday.

President Eisenhower received 63 out of 114 votes cast by ICG delegates from nine colleges and universities in Central Pennsylvania.

Only two other candidates had been proposed—Adlai Stevenson, governor of Illinois, 49 votes; and Darlington Hoopes, chairman of the Socialist party, 2 votes.

The colleges and universities represented at the convention with a breakdown of their delegates' votes are as follows:

**Breakdown of Voting**  
Bucknell: Stevenson 2; Dickinson: Stevenson 12; Elizabethtown: Eisenhower 12, Stevenson 4; Gettysburg: Stevenson 2; Hershey: Eisenhower 12; Lebanon Valley: Eisenhower 14, Stevenson 7; Millersville: Eisenhower 8, Stevenson 10; Hoopes 2; the University: Eisenhower 14, Stevenson 10; Wilson: Eisenhower 3, Stevenson 2.

One of the civil rights planks advocated that the Federal government take whatever action was necessary to enforce the Supreme Court decision especially pertaining to integration in the public school system.

### Motion to Delete Carried

A motion by a University delegate to delete this was carried by a 60-44 vote. Favoring a more moderate course, he said that such an issue could not be changed overnight.

Another delegate favoring deletion alluded to the areas outside the South where segregation is in fact practiced, but within the limitations of law. "We don't worry about ourselves," he said, "but we want to send troops down there."

Under the platform on foreign

## Student Employment

Representatives from the following companies will interview June and August graduates and undergraduates for summer work when mentioned. Applicants for interviews may sign up in 112 Old Main within the next two weeks. This list will be carried only once by The Daily Collegian. Interviews will be held on dates mentioned.

Federal Tel Lab. March 27—EE, MS and Ph.D. candidates in the same field. Also Juniors, MS and Ph.D. candidates for summer.  
Bailey Meter Co. March 27—EE, ME, IE.  
American Nat'l Red Cross March 27—Anyone interested in Red Cross work.  
The Trane Company March 27—ME, EE, Ch.E., IE, for sales, engr., design, development, and production.

policy and defense, a University delegate moved to introduce a plank under world trade that would recognize the Peoples Republic of China and the Republic of Formosa. The motion was defeated by a 44-40 vote. As adopted by the convention, the world trade plank merely favors the extension of the world trade policy on a reciprocal basis.

The Penn State Chapter of ICG is sponsored by the political science department. Lee E. Corter, assistant professor of political science, is adviser to the group. Alan Maloney, senior in arts and letters from Teaneck, N.J., is chairman. Mr. Maloney was also in charge of the convention program and arrangements.

## Debaters' Congress Names 'Gavel Girls'

Barbara Kimble, junior in home economics from Haver-town, and Doris Schmitt from Mt. Mercy College for Women, tied for the title of "Gavel Girl" at the banquet held for the 21st Annual Pennsylvania Inter-State Debaters' Congress Friday night.

The "Gavel Girl" contestants were required to make five minute speeches at the banquet and the winners were chosen by judges representing the schools attending the Congress.

"A Model Student Legislature" was the theme of the Congress which was held Thursday through Saturday at the University.

The topic of the Assembly session held Friday night was "What is the best program for giving the non-agricultural worker in the United States more security in his job?"

Edward Fegert, Carl Saperstein, Robert Nurock, Adelaide Winnick, Mary Maum, and Joanne Montgomery were the University representatives for this topic.

The concluding Assembly session on Saturday morning discussed "What is the best program

for combatting juvenile delinquency in the United States?"

Representing this committee from the University were David Scott, Thomas Muller, Robert Neff, Barbara Kimble, Janet Klinghoffer, and Elizabeth Tolan.

An hour of prepared speeches by committee heads on bills previously drawn up began the formal sessions of the Congress followed by a general debate and the drawing up of amendments to the bills.

Ted Lane of Temple, John Funkhauser of Navy, John Maybee of the University of Delaware, and Robert Coalson of Slippery Rock received Outstanding Speaker Awards.

Carl Saperstein, senior in arts and letters from Washington, D.C., received honorable mention.

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