

Oldest Building on Campus Survives Amid Shrubbery

Half hidden by shrubbery and a giant wisteria vine, Oak cottage, the oldest building on the campus, lies almost forgotten in the hustle and bustle of present day campus life.

Although Old Main takes the honors for being the oldest building on campus, Oak cottage was actually constructed in 1857, two years before Old Main was completed.

Oak cottage was originally located on the site of Woman's building. It was built at a cost of \$1500 to house the construction crews working on Old Main. The cottage was

turned over to John R. Herman, the first farm foreman at the University, in the spring of 1857.

Superintendent's Quarters

Next to occupy the cottage was William G. Waring, superintendent in charge of construction of the classroom buildings. The Waring occupied the dwelling for seven months, vacating after the death of their youngest son.

"Botany Jake," a professor of horticulture, lived in Oak cottage from 1859 to 1866. During his residence, professor Whitman added a greenhouse and rare flower beds to the property.

Five Children Born in Cottage

James Y. McKee, vice president of the University, occupied the structure for the next few years. All five McKee children, who later were to graduate from the University, were born in Oak cottage.

After McKee left the University in 1880, Whitman H. Jordan, professor of agriculture chemistry, moved in the cottage. During his five year stay, Jordan established the fertility plots on the campus which today bear his name.

Cottage Moved to Woods

In 1891, during the residence of one "Quaker Josiah Jackson," professor of mathematics, the cottage was moved up in the woods to its present location in order to make room for Womans building.

The dwelling was remodeled into a home management house in 1919, and renamed Edgewood cottage. Future home-makers occupied the cottage until 1929, when the University leased it to the Chi Omega sorority.

Among the souvenirs of the happier days of the cottage is a water color painting of the cottage which hangs on a wall of the Chi Omega suite in Grange Hall. The scene was painted by Oliver Smith, a graduate of the University, and now a prominent Broadway scenic designer and producer.

The cottage was used as a dormitory for freshman girls during the rush years after the second world war. At this time, the cottage was re-named Oak cottage.

The last coed moved from the cottage in 1953 when new dormitories were completed. The cottage was turned over to the Home Economics department for use as an experimental laboratory in 1954.

Student, Town Resident Involved in Accident

Cars operated by Glenn Moyer, junior in physical education from Fredericksburg, and Ray Rewbridge of State College, collided at South Pugh St. and Foster Ave. yesterday morning.

Damage totaled \$300. Other details were unavailable.

Co-Edits

Recently pledged to Alpha Sigma Phi were Robert Brandl, Robert Johnson, James Ferraro, John A. Jones, Dean Seltzer, and Vincent Stenel.

Alpha Epsilon Pi has pledged the following men: Rodney Abraham, Arthur Cooper, David Fine, Morris Finkel, Morton Halper, Herbert Markowitz, Harold Mitterman, Harry Reibold, and Solomon Vinokur.

Alpha Epsilon Pi has initiated Melvin Getzoff, Samuel Glick, Ellen Jaffe, Stanley Levin, Marvin Neerenberg, Richard Pokras, Malcolm Pritzker, Joel Rosen, Arthur Stark.

Theta Delta Chi has initiated Thomas H. Brown, James Cramer, John L. Eaton, Robert W. Fish, David McCullough, and Jack Riden.

Delta Zeta has recently initiated Barbara Heltman, Sylvia Horgan, Jean Dundie, Eleanor Oscilowski, and Sally Thomas.

Newly elected officers of Alpha Gamma Delta are Adela Moldovan, president; Susan Kunkel,

first vice president; Barbara Nichols, second vice president; Marjorie Boyd, recording secretary; Florence Ford, treasurer; Dianne Schreckengast, rushing chairman; and Sandra Mayes, social chairman.

Phi Gamma Delta recently elected the following officers: Frank McFaden, president; Donald Ferguson, treasurer; William Clark, Jr., recording secretary; Douglas Henderson, corresponding secretary; Hugh Moore, historian; Robert Bookman, house manager; and Richard Johnston, caterer.

Recently pledged to Alpha Gamma Rho are Richard Erway, Richard Havens, Charles Hess, Jack Knight, Joseph McCahon, Robert Neff, Emil Peters, Larry Ridenour, and Edward Schopf.

Alpha Gamma Rho recently initiated Russell Beatty, Girdon Buck, Karl Davidson, Paul Felton, Robert Heilman, George Mansell, Richard Olmstead, John Streeter, William Thomas, David Walter, Frank Ward, James Weiler, and John Williams.

Approved Fraternities

Fifty-two fraternities have been approved by the dean of men's office to entertain women tonight and tomorrow night.

The approved fraternities are Acacia, Alpha Chi Rho, Alpha Chi Sigma, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Phi Delta, Alpha Rho Chi, Alpha Sigma Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Alpha Zeta, Beaver House, Beta Sigma Rho, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi.

Delta Chi, Delta Sigma Lambda, Delta Sigma Phi, Delta Tau Delta, Delta Theta Sigma, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Delta Rho, Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Omega Psi Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Epsilon Pi.

Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Mu Delta, Phi Sigma Delta, Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Phi, Pi Lambda Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Alpha Mu, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi Alpha, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Sigma Pi.

Tau Kappa Epsilon, Tau Phi Delta, Theta Chi, Theta Delta Chi, Theta Kappa Phi, Theta Xi, Triangle, Zeta Beta Tau. Pi Sigma Upsilon has been approved for tomorrow night only.

Josephson to Speak At Two Conferences

Dr. Donald V. Josephson, head of the dairy science department, is serving as guest speaker this week for two western organizational meetings in Washington and Utah.

Before returning to the University he plans to inspect dairy operations at the University of California.

Indies Submit Contest Entries

Independent women may now submit entries in the contest for the Independent Sweetheart.

Applicants should submit a 5 by 7 inch photograph at the Hetzel Union desk before March 28. Individuals, dorm units, or town houses may sponsor a candidate.

The bridge club, sponsored by Leonides, will meet April 6, 13, and 20 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the card room of the Hetzel Union building.

Students interested in learning how to play bridge will have the chance to learn from an expert. They should sign up at the Hetzel Union desk. Due to limited facilities, only the first 80 persons who register will be admitted.

Wednesday Deadline For Lantern Material

Wednesday is the deadline for submitting stories and poems for the Lantern, student literary publication.

Manuscripts turned in to the Hetzel Union desk will be considered for publication in the April issue.

Short stories are preferred but profiles, sketches, and plays will be accepted.

University Tunnel Serves as MI Lab

Laboratory courses are an integral part of education at the University, and as a result are quite elaborate and complex. Located beneath the Mineral Industries building is one that tops them off, for location if for nothing else.

Under the basement of the building lies a simulated mine, complete with timbers, a ventilating system, and numerous gauges and devices required for efficient operation.

The tunnels are a laboratory for three mining courses: MI 481—Mine Ventilation; MI 400—Mine Safety Engineering; and MI 53—Systems of Mining. About a dozen students work in the mine at a time.

Through the mine Mineral Industries students are able to experience disaster situations. They are given tear gas, hydrogen sulfide, and methane in small amounts.

Gas masks and an alarm system are used as precautionary devices should a mishap occur, such as the amount of air in the mine falling below the desired amount.

The mine consists of two joined tunnels, the larger of the two about 170 feet in length. The two tunnels wind an elliptical path, one inside the other. Each tunnel is four feet in width and six feet high in most places. They are supported by side walls made of concrete and timbers located in various places.

Entrance to the mine is gained by means of a manhole and a foot ladder in the mining laboratory.

A system of gauges, including water gauges, flow recorders, pilot tubes, anemometers and altimeters, and a power analyzer, checks the mine ventilation.

The ventilation system is composed of three powerful fans, capable of moving 13,000 cubic feet of air per minute through the tunnels. Two of these fans operate in an intake capacity, and one is exhaust. A series of doors in the mine enables the air to travel through the two tunnels either in series or in parallel movement.

Blasting caps are often set off in the tunnels, as part of a freshman mining course. A former dean of the college, often forgetful of this feature, would sometimes appear at the mine, the story goes, demanding to know who was trying to blow up the building.

Marriages

Price-Wiggens

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wiggens of East Stroudsburg have announced the marriage of their daughter, Louise Ann, to Mr. John Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Price of Stroudsburg.

Miss Wiggens is an employee of East Stroudsburg General Hospital. Mr. Price is a sophomore in business administration and a member of Pi Sigma Upsilon.

The marriage took place on February 25.

Eight Initiated By Lackonides

Lackonides, women's physical education honorary society, has initiated eight students. The requirements for membership are a 2.5 All-University average and three Women's Recreation Association activities.

The initiates are: Mary Neel, Joanne Bedenk, and Audrey Savano, sophomores; Dorothy Kellet, Gail Lundgren, and Rosetta Kearney, juniors; Merion Lafferty and Jean McLaren, seniors.

Lackonides members have challenged women faculty members in the College of Physical Education to a volleyball match tomorrow night.

Activities of the society include the sponsorship of a big and little sister program in the college to help orientate freshmen, ushering for the Swiss and Swedish gym meets, and the maintenance of bulletin boards in the locker rooms of White Hall.

Tickets Go on Sale Monday at HUB For 'South Pacific'

Tickets for "South Pacific," Thespians' second and final show of the year, will go on sale at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Hetzel Union desk.

The show will open at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Schwab Auditorium and will play Friday and Saturday. A matinee will be run at 2 p.m. next Saturday.

James Michener won the Pulitzer prize for his "Tales of the South Pacific," from which the musical was taken. When the show first appeared on Broadway in 1948 it was called the best show of the year by the New York drama critics.

Mary Martin and Ezio Pinza played the two lead parts in the Broadway production as Ensign Nellie Forbush and Emile de Becque.

Music for the production was written by Richard Rodgers, and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, and the book by Hammerstein and Joshua Logan.

Songs include "Some Enchanted Evening," "Younger Than Springtime," "Bali Hai," and "There's Nothing Like a Dame."

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