

Review

Players Present Fry Comedy, 'The Lady's Not for Burning'

By TED SERRILL

The imagination of Christopher Fry in all his color and humor dropped in on Penn State Saturday night.

And Players, in bringing it to Centre Stage, staged his blank verse comedy, "The Lady's Not for Burning," with almost as much finesse as it did its first Elizabethan-style comedy of the semester, "The Alchemist."

Written in the poetic and flowery style of Shakespeare and his contemporaries, this tale by a present-day playwright of the all-too normal folk of the little 15th century English town of CoolClary, provides many a laugh and quick smile.

Director Walter S. Smith of the theatre arts department managed to bring much of this comedy to the audience, an audience perhaps more accustomed to broad laughs, of which there were a few, than a more subtle and poetic humor depending on the turn of a phrase, of which there was much.

The actors may have played a bit too much to the audience than seemed suitable but, except for one actress, this made no difference. As they should have, they appeared more the characters themselves than actors portraying people.

Supporting Cast Lauded

We must commend the supporting or, more exactly, the character actors than the leads. But for the excellent performances of John Stroud, Clyde Gore, Walter Vail, John Thomas, and Lowell Salmon, the show may have stumbled into a void of dullness. It didn't.

Entering into a discussion of the actors themselves, we'll first say that one of the leads fully lived up to his role while the other lead didn't live up to her part.

Stephen Malin as the disillusioned soldier returned home from the wars, lounged, yawned and declaimed convincingly as he sought to defend the only thing he seemed to have found worthy of defending, a misconstrued girl sought after as a witch. But she was "not for burning."

As the girl, Jennet, Shirley Stern projected a feeling of uneasiness. Here was a girl, vivacious and young and beautiful, full of life and hope. A creature of emotions. Miss Stern seemed no wild rose; she was, instead, a morning glory—in full glory.

Played to Audience

In the tenderest scene of the play—a scene of slowly mounting love—she played not to Mendip but to the audience, extolling in full voice like a queen instead of a princess. While speaking, she nearly destroyed all the rich life and beauty of the play as inter-

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Lang Named Head Of IFC Committee Backing Culture

Norman Lang, Beta Theta Pi has been named new chairman of the Interfraternity Council Cultural Committee by IFC President Daniel Land.

Lang, replaces Thurman Loric, Alpha Phi Alpha, who was appointed vice chairman. Other new officers elected at last week's meeting are recording secretary, Paul Fisher, Delta Sigma Lambda; corresponding secretary, Nelson Van Fleet, Phi Kappa Tau; fraternity coordinator, Edward Grossman, Sigma Alpha Mu; publicity co-chairmen, Samuel Schonely, Pi Kappa Alpha; and James Harter, Tau Kappa Epsilon.

The committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Hetzel Union Building to discuss plans for a contemporary lecture series to be sponsored by IFC.

Speakers have been suggested and they are now being contacted, according to Harper. He added that the committee, in an effort to give a broad definition to culture, is trying not to restrict its efforts to lectures.

Froth Circulation Staff

The Froth circulation staff will meet at 6:30 tonight in the Hetzel Union auditorium.

Promotions and awards will be discussed as well as sales procedures for the coming issue.

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letin Board, and so far, he hasn't let us down.

In fact, last week we noticed he had brought a portable chair there, and instead of standing up among the people clad in Alligator raincoats, crew-neck sweaters, and beat-up tennis shoes, Art was taking it easy, sitting down and watching the crowd go by.

We saw Art at the 'Skeller the other day (he had his collapsible chair with him) and asked him if he was putting on a stunt for Ugly Man or something.

"No, not at all," he told us, "I just got tired of having to stand there every day. And you'd be surprised how my little seat comes in handy in class and in the HUB snack bar. Drop around to the Bulletin Board any morning between classes and I'll have you meet some of the others who also have chairs."

We politely declined his invitation, mainly because we owe our allegiance as a hang-out spot to other places in town besides the Mall Bulletin Board.

'Wave' Will Interview

Lr. J.G. Phyllis Shultz, USNR, will be available between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. today and tomorrow in the Hetzel Union Building to talk to women interested in information concerning positions in the Navy after graduation.

A summer program open to junior women is also open.

APhiO Pledge Class Largest in History

The Alpha Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national service honor society at the University, has the distinction of having the largest pledge class in APhiO's history.

The pledge class, which numbers 80, is dedicated to President Milton S. Eisenhower.

Every semester when a new class is pledged, it is dedicated to a particular personality. The fall class is usually dedicated to President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

30th Anniversary

This year, the 282 active chapters of Alpha Phi Omega is celebrating the 30th anniversary of its founding. The purpose of the organization is to set forth the four fields of service which are service to the student body and faculty, to the youth and community, to the nation, and to the members of the fraternity.

One of the projects recently completed by the University's Alpha Beta chapter was to start Gamma Sigma Sigma, a female counterpart to APhiO. APhiO recently worked with Gamma Sigma Sigma on an Easter egg hunt in the Home Economics building.

Ugly Man Contest

An annual project of Alpha Phi Omega is the Ugly Man contest, which will start today. Another annual spring project of the or-

ganization is the "Keep Off the Grass" campaign waged with eye catching posters. Also, as a part of APhiO's increased scouting activity, a group of pledges and brothers worked at the Seven Mountains Boy Scout Camp on April 7.

To sum up a long list of projects, APhiO will hold a car wash today to raise money to send a delegation to the national convention to be held at Long Beach, Calif., Aug. 28, 29 and 30.

Kistiakowsky to Present Priestly Lecture Tonight

The Priestly Lecture Series will continue at 8 tonight in 119 Osmond.

Dr. George Kistiakowsky, professor of physical chemistry at Harvard University, will speak on "The Mechanism of Nitrogen Afterglow."

The lecture is open to the public.

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