

University Movie Studio Films Quantity, Quality

Although the University's Motion Picture and Recording Studio may never reach the heights of Hollywood, it has, in the last 16 years, produced 146,000 feet of finished 16 mm. motion picture film.

This film has been produced on campus for teaching purposes, for the publicizing of the University, for recording research projects and for a tool of research.

The headquarters of the miniature film capital occupies 4200 square feet in the basement of the Cathaum Theatre building.

The studio was originally opened in 1942 to make war training films for use in colleges and universities. The facilities, although under the University's control, were subsidized by the federal government.

Studio Changes in 1944

In 1944, with the end of the war in sight, the University began using the studio for the present purposes.

A typical example of the type of films being produced is "Behind the Type," a picture now being made under the sponsorship of the School of Journalism. It will portray the "exciting" life of a reporter as most people think of it and then will show the long hours of research and footwork that are actually involved in writing a story.

The film will also show that all advertising executives do not live "The Life of Riley," with beautiful secretaries on their laps and time to practice golf swings in the office.

Film to Be Shown

When completed, the film will be shown throughout the state in an effort to interest high school students in a career in journalism and in their matriculation at a college that has a journalism department, not necessarily the University.

The picture stars a University student, Jon Barry Wilder, sophomore in arts and letters from Scranton, as both the reporter and the executive. Sally Miller, junior in home economics from Conneautville, is serving as a production assistant.

Films are also made for certain outside organizations including both state and federal agencies, educational groups and other non-profit public service organizations.

Facilities Include

Facilities of the studio include a large-sized shooting or sound stage, an editing room fully equipped to handle all editing, splicing and synchronization of sound track and picture frames and a viewing room in which rushes (portions of film that have just been shot) are viewed and evaluated.

There is sound equipment for recording on quarter-inch magnetic tape, 16 mm. magnetic film, 16 mm. optical film and standard discs.

A narration studio is used to produce post-narration on films. A film without narration is projected on a screen and the narrator reads off his description or explanation of the film and it is recorded on tape. This sound is then synchronized with the film.

The studio, a division of general extension, is under the direction of Frank S. Neusbaum, administrative head. Neusbaum has been the head and also the producer since the studio's inception.

Professor Teaches

As professor of theatre arts he is now teaching a course in motion picture techniques. This is the beginning of an emphasis on motion picture arts by the Department of Theatre Arts using the facilities of the Motion Picture and Recording Studio.

Under Neusbaum, University films have been selected by the Library of Congress for the National Film Archives. Awards seconds for traffic safety films.



JON BARRY WILDER and two studio personnel at work on "Behind the Type," a picture being made by the Department of Journalism.

Generalizations on Russia Warned Against by Prof

William Harkins, alumnus of the University and assistant professor of Slavic languages at Columbia University, warned last night against generalizations about Russia, and against attributing to Russian political control what may be cultural influence.

Harkins spoke before the Russian Area Study Club and the Slavic Club. His talk concerned his experiences on a trip to Russia last summer.

It is easy for foreigners to say that every bad thing about Russia is due to the strict regimentation imposed by the Soviet government, he said, but this is many times not true.

Dislike Modern Art

Harkins cited the Russian attitude toward modern art. Russians, especially the young people, denounce modern art, he said. This follows the party line, but the party line is not directly responsible for it.

Harkins explained that there is little in Marxist teaching about art, and the Russians have had to establish a policy on their own.

Without a strict policy to go on, the attitude toward art tends to be very conservative. They are conservative, he said, because they are not sure what is good.

Russians Very Friendly

Harkins said that the Russians were very friendly. Foreigners are very popular especially in Leningrad, he added. Here students would approach him on the streets to practice their English, or just to talk to an American. They could always identify him by his clothes, he explained.

"There is a mania for American jazz among the young people behind the Iron Curtain. This mania seems to represent a fantastic land beyond the sea," he added.

Shows Color Slides

Harkins showed numerous color slides he had taken on the Russian trip. There was very little resistance to taking pictures, he said, and the only restriction imposed was that he was not allowed to take pictures from an airplane.

He was told by his guide that he could not take photographs of bridges, but he added that no one seemed very concerned about this and he could have taken the photos if he had wanted to.

ChemEng Student Wins Undergrad Scholarship

Henry Bieber, junior in chemical engineering from Fleetwood, has been awarded the Monsanto Chemical Co. undergraduate scholarship of \$500 for 1957-58.

Bieber is a member of Phi Lambda Upsilon, chemical recognition society; Sigma Tau, engineering society; and the student chapter of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

Engagements Moyle--

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Brenner-Snyder

Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. Brenner of Ellwood City have announced the engagement of their daughter Janice Lucille to Roger Frederick Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Snyder of Norristown.

Miss Brenner is a senior in special education and a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

Mr. Snyder attended the University and is currently employed by the Continental Diamond Fiber Co. in Bridgeport. He will enter the Army in May.

A December wedding has been planned.

Allison-Bostock

Dr. and Mrs. James Allison of Highland Park, N.J., have announced the engagement of their daughter Dorothy Jean to D. Jeffrey Bostock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bostock of Bethesda, Md.

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

Mr. Bostock is a senior in industrial engineering and a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. An August wedding is planned.

Menza-Black

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Menza of Altoona have announced the engagement of their daughter Danice to William H. Black Jr., of Altoona.

Miss Menza is a senior in home economics and a member of Kappa Delta sorority.

Mr. Black is a sophomore in business administration.

just don't appreciate sound thinking and fluent writing. They wouldn't know a good editorial if it walked right up to them."—Sue Conklin.

"It looks as if students can look forward to a great year of student government. The newly-elected Cabinet members look like the best crop to come up in a good many years, and I can believe that a great many good things will be done in student government this coming year."—Bob Steele.

"In my opinion The Daily Collegian is one of the greatest college papers in the country and it exemplifies everything a newspaper should be."—Ed Dubbs. Our apologies to Steve Allen.

Ed Program--

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gree of competence in the humanities, the arts, the social sciences, the physical sciences, the biological sciences, mathematics and oral and written communication.

Plans within the University's existing academic framework.

To Develop Man's Knowledge The University's overall objective in a program of general education, as stated by the University Senate, is to develop a man's knowledge and capacities rather than to train him for a particular purpose such as an occupation.

Whether the new programs will be required or optional has not been determined yet. This will be left up to the faculty, Dr. Cutler said.

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IFC Will Effect Rush Changes Starting June 5

An amendment to the Interfraternity Council rushing and pledging code requiring a 2.2 All-University average for freshmen pledging will go into effect June 5, when the semester officially ends.

The June 5 date was announced by president James Hart at last night's IFC meeting.

The amendment, which was passed this semester, will require upperclassmen to make a 2.2 average this semester or have a 2.0 All-University average to pledge a fraternity.

Hart announced the appointment of Christopher Kuebler, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, as IFC executive vice president and Ronald Ross, Omega Psi Phi, as parliamentarian.

Fraternity men interested in becoming chairmen or members of IFC committees or the Board of Control should submit applications to the Fraternity Affairs Office, 203 Hetzel Union. Men desiring appointments to the Board of Control or to chairmanships of committees should also contact Hart personally.

Fraternities were asked to provide housing the night of May 3 for 75 members of Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps drill teams who will be entered in a competition at the University May 4.

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