

**Sputnik Sparks Interest**

# Russian Studies Rise

By LOLLI NEUBARTH  
Vy govornite po-Russki? seems about to become, like parlezvous francals and Sprichin - sel Deutsh, a phrase "everyone" knows, even if he's never seen the inside of a foreign grammar book.

Since the race of Sputniks began, American educators have noticed a growing awareness in this country of Russian culture — including language, literature and music.

This curiosity has shown up on campus in a more than doubled enrollment in beginning Russian since last term.

According to Dr. Edgar H. Lehman, secretary of the Russian Area Committee, there are now 13 sections compared to eight last spring. Overall enrollment in Russian is more than 50 per cent higher than

last term which was 10 per cent higher than the preceding term, he said.

Students in any major field in the College of the Liberal Arts may combine Russian studies with their regular program and graduate with a Letter of Certification in Russian Area Studies in addition to their degree. But students in every curriculum, from engineering to the division of counseling, are enrolled in the courses.

Why does a science major study Russian?

"Just look around the mineral industries library and you'll see why Russian is an important language to know," David Blewett, graduate student in geology and mineralogy, answered. Since much of the work in soil geology today is being done in the U.S.S.R., he said, recent information is written up in Russian technical papers and books.

"Sometimes I like to be a

little different," said Robert Kadis, junior in aeronautical engineering from Trenton, N.J. I was interested in Russian before all the excitement about Sputniks began, he said. Kadis thinks that his knowledge may be of use as U.S.-Russian involvements become more serious.

Natalie Lucenko, freshman in arts and letters, is just brushing upon the language. Miss Lucenko who is of Russian descent and attended high school in Yugoslavia, hopes to enter diplomatic service for the United States. "I can't go to Russia, though," she said, "because they wouldn't let me out again."

Miss Lucenko finds that beginners have most trouble with the new alphabet and strange pronunciations, however one instructor said his students are a very serious group and find Russian a lot easier than they generally expect.

# IFC Workshop Program Given 'Success' Rating

The Interfraternity Council Workshop programs held last week were rated a success by both the group's adviser and general chairman.

O. Edward Pollock, assistant to the dean of men in charge of fraternity affairs, said the workshops seemed to be very well run and attended by the fraternity members. "All the comments I received were favorable," Pollock said.

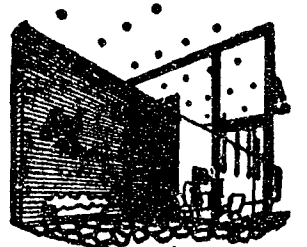
"It was one of the most successful programs in the six years I have been here," he said. Pollock visited six individual sessions, and attended the panel discussion and the closing banquet.

Leonard Julius, workshops chairman, rated the programs successful and said he heard many favorable comments about the banquet speaker—Glen T. Nygreen, dean of men at Kent State University and educational adviser to the National Interfraternity Conference.

The individual workshop reports will be given by Julius at the IFC meetings. Two reports will be given orally at each meeting.

Julius said the 10 individual workshops were attended by an average of 40 fraternity members

but noted the poor participation in the panel discussion program. Only 46 fraternity members and advisers attended the program which discussed two major national fraternity problems.



## Through the Looking Glass

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# Dispensary Advises Influenza Protection

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women's halls, box lunches consisting of soups, juices and tea were delivered to ill coeds. One-hundred-twenty students filled the infirmary whose normal capacity is 60. All reservations for weekend guests in the residence halls were cancelled.

By the next morning, 2000 students had been stricken by flu, grippe or other respiratory illnesses. Of these, 1400 had been treated at the Health Center. Others, including whole fraternity houses, received attention from town physicians. One fraternity had 80% of its residents bedridden. At the end of the day, 800 ill students requested treatment at the Center.

With the number of cases increased to 3000, the illness had reached epidemic proportions. Local doctors, at the expense of the University, visited the women's dormitories twice daily. ROTC cancelled its common hour. Intramural grid action was marred by flu. Teams had only a minimum number of players and many of these were in a weakened condition. Men and women's swimming classes were discontinued. The Lion's Den offered hot lemonade with honey. Hot tea sales increased rapidly.

On Oct. 19, the hospital released 49 patients dropping the total to 67. Over 600 box lunches were still being sent to residence hall bedrooms. Dr. Glenn advised

students to "stay out of public places, eat sensibly and get as much sleep as possible."

After a warm, dry weekend the epidemic began to decline. However, between 500 and 600 students were still being treated daily. Only 72 remained in the infirmary and physicians' visits to residence halls were limited to once a day. Finally, at the end of the month, the illnesses subsided.

During the course of the epidemic, one sophomore had been critically stricken and died of pneumonia complicated by toxic anemia.

## Election Results--

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Charles Gaston; Civil Engineering, John McSparron; freshmen, Eugene Costel, James Dixon, Howard Glick, Barry Kesselman, Kerry Kissinger, John Lauer, Richard Pigossi and Robert Vierck.

Home Economics—Carolyn Ellwood, Susan F. Brown, Gretchen Keener and Judith Geary. Alternates are Dorothy Frank, Diana Snyder, Mary Fleming, Beverly Robison and Joan Thiel.

Liberal Arts—Robert Marino, Linda Wiley, Peter Carpenter, Barbara Hackman, Genevra Peck, Patricia Dyer and Howard Schimmel. Alternates are Carl Moses and David Grubbs.

Physical Education—Margaret Minnich and James Senopole.

## Lion Forecasts Sunny, Cool Day



The Lion sees sunny and cool weather for today with a high of 55 and a low tonight of 32. Tomorrow's high will be 56 and the skies continued fair.

Saturday is expected to be mostly cloudy with rain beginning in the late afternoon.

## Escapees--

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phia County for 3 to 6 years for larceny, receiving stolen goods, assault and battery, aggravated assault and battery, assault and battery with intent to ravish, rape, and sodomy.

Kenneth J. Wagner, 27, sentenced from 2 to 6 years for armed robbery and receiving stolen goods, from Allegheny County.

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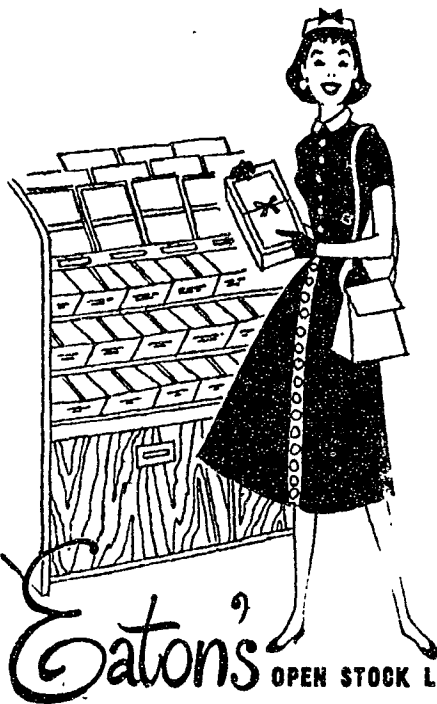
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