

# Library Displays Collection Of History's 'Banned' Books

Books banned to readers through the centuries by organizations and rulers are the subject of a current display on the first floor of the Pattee Library.

Wendell S. MacRae, assistant to the curator, has assembled the display from the rare book collection and from those books now in circulation.

The books are displayed in nine divisions. Each division contains books banned by one particular organization.

## La Vie to Appear Early Next Week For Class of 1961

Distribution of the 1961 La Vie will begin Monday. Seniors may pick up their copies of the book between 8 and 11:45 a.m. and 1 and 4:45 p.m. in the Hetzel Union Card Room.

Yearbooks will be distributed according to college enrollment as follows: Monday, May 22 — Engineering, Architecture, Education, and Physical Education and Athletics; Tuesday, May 23 — Agriculture, Business Administration, and Mineral Industries; Wednesday, May 24 — Chemistry and Physics, Home Economics and the Liberal Arts.

This year's issue of La Vie will be sporting a predominantly blue cover trimmed in white and silver. It is an advancement from the first issue of La Vie published in 1889 by the Class of 1890. The first volume of La Vie consisted of 130 pages with an additional 20 pages of advertising. Also the 1890 La Vie used no class portraits but listed the 25 members of the class on one page. Portraits of class members were not introduced until 1894.

The early volumes of La Vie carried few pictures, but as photography techniques improved the number of pictures increased, replacing jokes, cartoons, humor and lengthy histories. Advertising, which had been included in La Vie from 1889 to 1928, was discontinued when the Class of 1929 was unable to solicit sufficient accounts.

Beginning with the Class of 1931, La Vie became the project of the senior class. Previously it was published during the junior year and a supplementary volume was issued in the senior year. This change was prompted by the desire to have a class annual that included a record of all four years for each class, thus ending the necessity for each student to buy two books.

With the 1944 La Vie, publication was suspended because of shortage of materials, production difficulties, and a rapid turnover of students. However, records were kept, and in 1946 an abbreviated book to bridge the gap between 1944 and 1946 was published. The staff of this edition included the first three of the four women editors to serve on La Vie.

The first group of books are a collection of those banned by the Roman Catholic church. MacRae said that the church has banned over 4100 books during its existence. Books displayed in this category include some by Martin Luther, John Hess, Galileo and William Tyndale.

The Catholic church banned its largest number of books between 1650 and 1699, he said. MacRae said that this was the time of the Reformation when Martin Luther and others were writing books against established church practices.

MacRae said that the Church has banned the works of only four American authors.

The second category of banned books on display are those banned by the Protestant churches. MacRae said these bans were ineffective because the churches could not enforce the ban.

"A Catholic who reads a banned book can be excommunicated," MacRae said, "but the Protestant churches have no such weapon."

The works of Erasmus are an example of books banned by the early Protestant churches, MacRae said.

Another group of books with the title "Books Fatal to Their Authors" show a series of books whose authors were burned or died in prison as a result of their writings.

Also, works of Jewish authors, and a few American authors were banned by the Nazis during the Second World War, MacRae said. A book by Hemmingway was also banned by the Nazis during this time, he added. The Germans burned these books in huge bonfires, he said.

In another display case are books banned by Jews and Christian Scientists.

"The Odyssey" by Homer is one of the books in the group banned by ancient peoples. Displays of those restricted in the United States, Russia, and England are in other cases.

Discussing book bans in the U.S. MacRae said that a surprising number of books banned in this country are first banned in Boston.

## Exec Re-elected to Post

Bernard P. Taylor, executive director of the Penn State Foundation, has been re-elected to a three-year term on the Council of Financial Support for Higher Education of the American College Public Relations Association.

## Liberal Party Will Choose Ward Officers

Liberal party ward officers for living areas will be elected at a party meeting at 7 p.m. Sunday in 121 Sparks. Al Sharp, party vice-chairman, said yesterday.

Since SGA reorganization plans call for representatives from constituencies in the living areas, the party plans to have one officer in each living area to help select candidates for Assembly and increase party membership, Sharp said.

Plans to oppose compulsory ROTC will also be presented as well as a party proposal against the section of the proposed SGA constitution which prohibits speaking from the gallery at Assembly meetings, he said.

A report on the "Back the Budget" campaign and the effort to reach students' parents last weekend will also be presented at the meeting, Sharp said.

Sharp said that some of the party proposals have come from the party's suggestion box on the Hetzel Union desk.

## 'Queen' Voting To End Today

Today is the last day students may vote for the freshman class queen, according to Dave Namerow, class advisory board chairman.

A voting place will be located in front of Osmond laboratory. In case of rain, the voting will take place inside the Hetzel Union Building, Namerow said. Freshmen must present matriculation cards in order to vote, he added.

The five finalists in the contest are: Suzanne Andressen, liberal arts major from West Englewood, N.J.; Sally Bumstead, education major from Dunmore; Carol Kelvin, liberal arts major from Great Neck, N.Y.; Suzanne Magness, home economics major from Claymont, Del.; Margaret Thompson, education major from Pittsburgh.

Classes at Penn State in 1859 started at 6 a.m., immediately after devotions and breakfast.

## Campus Beat

# Sun Bathing Aided By Outdoor Classes

What is the most talked about topic in the area? Why the weather, of course. It seems like it is freezing one day, raining the next and hot the next. Most agree, however, that there wasn't any spring this year, just winter, and summer.

The warm weather has already brought about a change in schedules for most students. They are trying to find time to sun bathe and go to Stone Valley or Whipples. Some of the professors are helping in the sun bathing time by holding classes outside.

The boys in West Halls thought they had the heat beat on Sunday. Some of them opened their windows and screens and sat on the sills with their feet dangling outside. This idea did not go over too well with the counselors.

If any of the journalism faculty seems to be limping around campus this week, it is probably the result of a softball game against their students at the Journ Club picnic. The students won the game as Bonnie "Yogi" Yunk put down a faculty rally in the last inning.

Although it is not on the official list in Washington, there is a depressed area on campus. Ac-

## Pearson to Give Lecture

Dr. Ralph G. Pearson, of Northwestern University, will speak on "Crystal Field Theory" at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Room 119, Osmond.

According to a sign on its front door, the Psychology Lab has been placed in this category.

The Delta Zeta sorority suite had an eyecatcher which stopped many Mother's Day guests in their tracks. Somebody put a clock on the wall which runs counter-clockwise. Nobody knows where it came from.

Recommendation for next year: Catch the mouse that runs around in Rec Hall. A mouse has been observed at the last two major functions in that building. In fact, it took a bite of a man's hat during one performance.

For many sorority pledges this is a week of trial and tribulations. During the week they will be carrying paddles or other objects and will be answering the suite phone with little jingles about the sorority.

Well, I am afraid this warm weather has gotten to me. So until next year, this is THIRTY. If you really must see me, you might find me at Whipples or Stone Valley.

—Prof Wayne

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