

TODAY ON CAMPUS

Applications

Applications for the Undergraduate Student Government Supreme Court are available at the Hetzel Union desk.

No student judicial experience is necessary, but the applicant must have a good understanding of campus affairs, USG President Dennis Foianini said.

Applications for Freshman Customs Board are now available at the HUB desk. All second and third-term freshmen are eligible. Applications must be returned to the HUB desk by Tuesday.

Miss Penn State Contest applications are available at the HUB desk. Applications, plus a 5 by 7 inch picture of the applicants, must be returned to the HUB desk by tomorrow.

AWS Questionnaire

The AWS rules revision questionnaire is now available at the HUB desk for all interested women students who have not received one in the mail.

5 O'Clock Theater

"Love on a Park Bench," written by Dianne Lamb, junior in journalism from Arlington, Va.,

will be presented by the 5 O'Clock Theatre at 5:15 today in the basement of Old Main.

The play is directed by David Griffiths, freshman in business administration from Ridgewood, N.J.

Attitude Survey

Students wishing to express their opinions on the University, its faculty, courses and other issues may participate in the Student Attitude Survey at 7 p.m. in 119 Osmond. Students who cannot attend either session may call UN 5-8350, extension 28, to be scheduled for another time to complete the survey.

Meetings

- Ag Hill Party Committee, 6:30 p.m., 217 HUB
- Chemistry Colloquium, 12:40 p.m., 302 Whitmore
- Faculty Bridge, 7:30 p.m., 212 HUB
- Gamma Sigma Sigma executive committee, 6:30 p.m., 216 HUB
- Gamma Sigma Sigma pledges, 8 p.m., 108 Armsby
- International Films, 8, 7 and 9 p.m., HUB assembly room
- Marketing Club, Pi Kappa Phi
- Mechanical Engineering Seminar, 8:55 p.m., 105 Mechanical Engineering
- Office of Student Aid, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., 217 HUB
- TIM dancing lessons, 6:30 p.m., HUB ballroom

Passover Honors Exodus

Jewish people the world over are currently celebrating the Passover, which is held annually to commemorate the Israelites' exodus into the wilderness from slavery in Egypt.

PASSOVER BEGAN last night at sundown and will continue until Wednesday at sundown. During these seven days, the Jewish people will fast by not eating leavened bread. Their fasting reminds them that their ancestors ate unleavened bread during the exodus.

The Seders, the evening meals of the first two days of Passover, are symbolic of the flight from the bonds of slavery. The father is seated at the head of the table and his family is gathered around him. He leads the traditional ceremonies at the meals.

Before each person is placed a plate with three flat cakes of unleavened bread. Nearby is a dish which holds a portion of the shoulder of the shank bone of a lamb with only a small amount of meat on it. Also on the dish is peeled egg.

On a third plate are bitter herbs and on the fourth is Charoseth, a paste made of nuts, apples, raisins and spices of various kinds.

Each dish has a particular significance of some part of the exodus. The number of cakes—three—represents the three na-

tional divisions: priest, Levites and Israelites.

The shank bone represents the lamb which was slain by the Israelites on the 14th of Nisan (the first month of the Hebrew year).

THE HEBREW PEOPLE put the slain lamb's blood on their doors so the angel that God sent to kill the firstborn in every Egyptian home could differentiate between the homes. The angel would "pass over" the Israelite dwellings.

The bitter herbs are a reminder of the bitter days of slavery in Egypt.



CRAM COURSE NO. 2: BIOLOGY

The grisly shadow of final exams looms over us, so today in this column instead of merry quips and homely saws, you will find hard facts—quick cram courses to help you through the ordeal ahead.

Last week I gave you a rapid survey of Modern European History. Now let us turn to Biology.

Biology is divided into several phyla, or classes. First is the protozoa, or one-celled animal. All life stems from the one-celled animal. Over a space of millions of years, life slowly evolved until today we have animals with as many as 12 cells. Some larger mammals claim they have 14 to 16 cells, but you know how larger mammals lie.

The second class of animals is the periphera—a shadowy category that borders often on the vegetable. Take, for example, the sponge. The sponge is definitely an animal. The washcloth, on the other hand, is definitely not.

Next we come to the arthropoda, or insects. Most people, of course, find insects fairly repulsive—and yet, if one will but look, there is exquisite beauty in the insect world. Who does not remember the lovely insect poems of William Cullen Sigafon—such enchanting lyrics as *Tumbling Along with the Tumbling Tumblebug*, *Fly Gently, Sweet Aphid*, and *Grass My Mother Taught Me*. Mr. Sigafon has been inactive since the invention of DDT.

Our next category is the mollusca—lobsters, shrimp, and the like. Lobsters are generally found under rocky projections on the ocean bottom. Shrimp are generally found in a circle around a small bowl containing cocktail sauce. Marlboro Cigarettes are generally found at any tobacco counter or vending machine.

What have Marlboro Cigarettes got to do with biology? Well, actually, not very much. It must be remembered, however, that the makers of Marlboro pay me for writing this column, and they are inclined to get surly if I fail to mention their product.

Mind you, I enjoy singing the praises of Marlboro—and so will you once you try that flavorful tobacco, that fine filter which lets the flavor come through undiminished. It is a great pleasure to smoke Marlboros and a great pleasure to write about them, but sometimes, I must confess, I find it a bit difficult to work the commercial into the column. Some years ago, for example, I did a piece about Alexander the Great, and, believe you me, it took a heap of stretching to drop in a plug for Marlboro. The way I finally managed it was to have Alexander go to the Oracle at Delphi and say, "Oracle, I have conquered the world and tasted all its pleasures, but somehow I am not content. I know that somewhere there must be a joy I have not yet experienced." To which the Oracle replied,



There is no great difficulty distinguishing the two.

"Yes, Alexander, there is such a joy, but, alas, the time is not yet. I refer to Marlboro Cigarettes which will not be invented for another 2500 years." Whereupon Alexander fell into a sulk from which he never recovered. . . . Well sir, there is no question I sold a lot of cigarettes with this ingenious commercial, but the gang down at the American Academy of Arts and Letters gave me a mighty good razzing, you may be sure.

But I digress. Back to biology, and the most advanced phylum of all—the chordata, or vertebrates. There are two kinds of vertebrates—those whose backbones run horizontally and those whose backbones run vertically. Generally, there is no great difficulty in distinguishing the two varieties. A fish, for instance, has a horizontal backbone, and a man has a vertical backbone. Occasionally, however, you run into a problem—like a fish who swims upright and a man who spends most of his time in the sack. How, in such a case, do you tell one from another? Science struggled with this sticky question for centuries, but finally Sigafons of M.I.T. came up with a brilliantly simple answer. Offer the creature a Marlboro. If it is a fish, it will refuse. If it is Homo sapiens, it will accept. In fact, the more sapient, the quicker the acceptance.

The makers of Marlboro, upright vertebrates all, remind you that their fine cigarettes are available in pack or box wherever cigarettes are sold in any of the 50 states.

BusAd Professors To Advise Sophs

A convocation to help sophomores in business administration choose their majors, will be held this afternoon in Boucke. Although the convocation is sponsored by the college's Student Council, students in the division of counseling who plan to transfer into business administration are also invited, Philip Steinhauer, chairman said yesterday.

Accounting, economics, commerce and management department heads will speak to the convocation from 2:30 to 3 p.m. in 214 Boucke, he said.

Talks on each major field will be given at 3 p.m. in the following rooms in Boucke: accounting, 214; economics, 217; finance, 208; insurance and real estate, 209; management, 207; marketing, 202; and trade and transportation, 303.

Cold Weather Predicted

Today should be mostly cloudy and cool with a few showers likely during the afternoon and evening. A high of 50 is expected. Snow flurries, showers, windy and colder weather are indicated for tonight. The low will be near 32 degrees.

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