Sailors and lasses are the real stars

By ANNE CLIFFORD Daily Collegian Staff Writer

According to Helen Manfull. director of University Theatre's "H.M.S. Pinafore," the chorus is the star of that operetta. At last night's production, she was right. The chorus was the star, and the most enjoyable ingredient of a lively, rousing

This Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, which tells about the love of a lowly seaman for a high-born captain's daughter, satirizes Victorian class conventions and the patriotism of being an Englishman. Set on a man-owar ship at anchor in Portsmouth, the work gaily frames the chorus in nearly every number and provides the lead individuals with memorable

play review

'The most effective chorus numbers involved both sailors and the band of "sisters, cousins and aunts" which follow a visiting admiral wherever he goes. "Now Give Three Cheers," "Can I survive This Overbearing," and "Carefully on Tiptoe Stealing" were all especially marked by powerful, spirited singing, directed by musical director Bruce Trinkley, and Betsy Hamilton's clever choreography.

Velma Belle Anstadt (10th- audiences as it has been.

theatre), as the bumboat woman, Little Buttercup, and David Craig-Hudson (graduate-music), as the lovesick sailor, Ralph Rackstraw, share second place for making the show a richly musical production.

Anstadt's humble but irresistable charm combined with her smooth, strong contralto to make "I'm Called Little Buttercup," singable by theatre goers after the performance.

Craig-Hudson's performing beauty lies in his voice, a soothing but powerful tenor. His delivery of "The Nightingale" and his solo in "Can I Survive This Overbearing?" were especially moving.

Suzanne Murphy (graduate-music) as the captain's daughter Josephine, flittered and fluttered with the impossible innocence that only the sarcastic W. S. Gilbert could con-

The production could have been improved by eliminating the unnecessary, distracting freeze postures of the chorus and the tendency of some of the characters to constantly address the audience when speaking to another character on stage.

However, these points are only minor flaws in this energetic production. One can easily see why 'Pinafore," when performed by a fun-loving, well-directed cast, has been as successful with American

Three union officials are scheduled to meet today with three board representatives to demand the

Union leaders level charge of tampering

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Union leaders have charged Centre Area Transportation Authority officials with "illegally" tampering with union functions.

A mechanic, Bob Colton, was appointed in January by the authority's board to a group which will interview

prospective candidates for manager of the authority. The authority does not have the right to appoint a union member to such a group without the consent of the union members, said Jeff Zinser, president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees local that represents the bus company

Zinser said the members should have had at least a chance to vote on ratification of Colton's appointment.

Zinser said the public would be affected if the demand is not met by Monday. "Very serious action" would have to occur to put pressure on the officials, he said.

Other measures that would be taken would be the dissolution of the Labor Management Committee because of its ineffectiveness in dealing with the problem, he said.

The union would also continue proceedings to file a complaint against the authority charging unfair labor practices, he said.

Because of recent good relations with management the union had considered dropping some charges and beginning negotiations for a new contract, Zinser said, but the Colton incident changed all of that. The contract expires Dec. 31, 1979.

Zinser said he has "no idea why he (Colton) was appointed."

Colton, although a union member, is not trusted by the other members, who represent 95 percent of the

authority's personnel, Zinser said. He said authority officials are aware of how they feel about him because of complaints about him to the Labor Management Committee and to Paul Rigby, the?

former chairman of the authority. Colton has "no seniority, he's not president of the union and not a member of the executive board" and has a history of being hostile to the union, John Strandi union shop steward said.

Thomas J. Collins, chairman of the authority, said that despite what the union leaders say, Colton does have seniority over the company's other two mechanics. He said he was chosen to speak to the candidates so the new manager could learn about al aspects of the company: finances, maintainance management and union matters.

Will propose amendment Monday

Cunningham wants ethics law to start now

State Rep. Gregg Cunningham, R-Centre, said last night he will propose an amendment calling for immediate implementation of the new ethics law,

Cunningham's amendment will require that reports of candidates' financial interests first be filed with the county board of elections and then forwarded to the Ethics Commission.

.Cunningham said the Ethics Commission has not printed the appropriate forms for filing, and therefore will not be ready to process them. Cunningham said there is no need for forms; the candidates could file their financial interests on any type of paper.

Cunningham said his amendment

would eliminate the delay which could defeat the amendment entirely. "The delay could create an unfavorable appearance to the public," he said. Certain officials want the bill delayed because they do not want their "business entanglements revealed, which could put them in an uncomfortable position. The legislature has retreated from ethical reform. The amendment I'm putting in will correct this," he said.

Act 170 requires all public officials and candidates to make a statement revealing their financial interest, which will be a matter of public record.

Chuck Mong, assistant to Sen. J. Doyle Corman, R-Centre, said "Act 170 is not a law to keep good people out of elected office. In my opinion, Act 170 allows all of us the opportunity to match what the public wants. It gives the opportunity for the public to view more of the candidates they vote for before they vote.

"I'm not sure this is a bad deal," Cunningham said. "Anyone who feels that their business nature, for whatever reason, would be be an uncomfortable disclosure, should not be in the position to deal with ethical conflicts," he said.

Cunningham said that Pennsylvania is in a sorry state of affairs and he is concerned about "the low regard of public officials and the non-participation of voters."

Cunningham's proposal came at a Republican Caucus meeting in State College. The caucus also last night revealed some potential candidates for county offices.

Jeff Bower and Hubert Haugh and nounced their candidacy for county commissioner. There are no new can didates so far for three school board directors, four council members, ond constable, and one assessor.

"It's important to fill all vacancies on the tickets," State College Republican Vice Chairman Paul Bender said! "There has never been a better opportunity for victory."

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-by Linda Howley

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