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Oracle Honor Society Initiates Seven Members

Seven new members will be initiated into Oracle, senior honorary society, tomorrow night. Ceremonies will begin with the initiation ritual at Dr. Job's home at 4:30.

Pledges to be initiated are Katherine Drachler, Marjorie Hubbard, Violet Kissel, Jean Lemka, Joy Pisano, Joseph Racina, and Verna Thompson. Several former Oracle members will be present to assist the active members, Barbara Rumsey, Eleanor Segal, and Dorothy Schroeter, with the ritual. They are: Joan Day, Betty Mitchell, Joseph Short, Sally Osborne, and Mary Campfield.

This service will be followed by a formal banquet in the college dining hall at 6:00. At this time Dr. W. W. Mendenhall of Cornell will be guest speaker. Mr. and Mrs. George Hoerner have been invited as faculty guests for the affair.

Interfraternity Council Announces New Officers

Ithaca College Interfraternity Council has reorganized and is functioning again under the sponsorship of Dean Allen. At a recent meeting officers for this year were elected. They are President, Lee Resnick; Vice President, Dorothy Terzian; and Secretary, Dorothy Schroeter.

In discussing the organization President Resnick said, "Our purpose is to strive for unity among the fraternities and sororities on the campus. Our membership is made up of the presidents of all the Greek letter organizations of the school. At present we are working on plans for several events to take place during this school year. We are prepared to discuss and participate in functions that may be of interest to the student body."

Other members of the Council are Mary DiSarro, Joseph Racina, and Eleanor Segal.

Extension Course Planned

Ithaca College is considering forming the first extension course in its history. A group of graduate students in Rochester have requested that they be allowed to take work that will lead to the Masters Degree in Physical Education.

The tentative plan calls for classes conducted each Saturday by Dr. William Grimshaw in the city of Rochester.

If this plan is carried through, it will open a whole new field of endeavor for Ithaca College.

FIRST STUDENT MUSIC RECITAL

The Music Department will present the first student recital of the year on Tuesday, November 7 at 8:15. Dr. Victor L. F. Rebmann announced. The recital will be held in the Little Theatre, and voice, violin and piano students will participate.

Responsibilities of Leadership

Material differences in the status of man are inevitable. Although society may do its best to level the varied incomes of man, there will always be those who will achieve, either through endeavor or favor, greater than average wealth. In a college community such as ours the differences in financial standing are not as important perhaps as at a large university, where fraternities and sororities boasting financially competent members are the ruling bodies of the school.

There is, however, a standard of achievement which, when reached by the student, often gives to him a feeling of superiority over his fellows. Those students who hold offices of honor, responsibility, and trust have a duty to their fellows which cannot be overlooked. To abuse the privilege of leadership is a catastrophe. A good education is becoming more and more imperative as the world moves on. The need for well-informed, responsible citizens, who will aid in reshaping a chaotic world, is tremendous.

In college politics, the foundation is laid for competency in national and world affairs. The obligations of school leaders correspond to those of our country's statesmen. The leader must give his wholehearted attention to his job. He must keep his house in order, settle arguments, and above all retain his own integrity. He is an example to his contemporaries. On him rests the burden of carrying on certain good traditions, as well as the blotting out of practices which do not help the student body.

There should be a dividing line drawn between college students. Not one based upon financial differences, but one which contrasts experience, responsibility, duty, consideration with false justice, laziness, boastfulness, incompetency. Then the job of the leader will be to erase the line putting all on the credit side of the school ledger.

College To Inaugurate Faculty Annuity Plan

Ithaca College is to have a faculty annuity plan, it was announced by Dr. Leonard B. Job. "No item of College policy in the past ten years will have added more to the prestige and efficiency of the school," stated one faculty member in discussing the plan. "It will enable us to offer faculty members annuity advantages equal to those of any other college or university, and hence will enable us to secure the services of many highly trained men and women who wish to teach only in those institutions which offer such security."

A definite plan has not yet been adopted, but several are under consideration by the administration. Any plan that is chosen, however, will have the following features:

Any faculty or office staff member may set aside each month any amount which he decides upon to be used as a premium for the annuity. The College will add an equal amount, making possible the purchase of an annuity twice the size of what the individual alone would be able to purchase. At some definite retirement age, previously set by the College, each faculty member will be able to retire, confident that as long as he lives he will receive monthly payments large enough to take care of his ordinary needs.

Eighteen Students Try Out For Ithacan Staff

In response to the call published in the last issue of the *Ithacan* and announced to the student body at the assembly last week, eighteen people have come out for the competition. These include two Music students, six Physical Education students, and ten Drama students.

At a meeting for the competitors held last week their assignments were outlined to them by Eleanor Segal and Adrienne Larsen, co-editors of the *Ithacan*.

The competitors are required to make a sample copy of the *Ithacan* for this week and to write actual stories for the issue of November 17. Their efforts will be judged upon appearance, accuracy, completeness, news content, originality, and style. Results will be announced in the *Ithacan* of December 1.

Lyon Burns Roosevelt

"Does anyone want to buy a car cheap?" These were the words with which staunch Republican George Lyon faced his car that had been turned into a Democratic Band Wagon.

It seems that a group of George's Democratic "friends" decided that decorating the Lyon car with numerous signs, pictures, pamphlets,

A. A. Milne's 'Ivory Door' Next Major Production

"The Ivory Door" by A. A. Milne will be the next production of the Drama Department. The show will be directed by Dr. R. A. Tallcott and is expected to be presented December 14, 15 and 16.

A. A. Milne is famous for his children's books, "When We Were Very Young", "Now We Are Six", and "Winnie the Pooh". He is also considered one of the more important contemporary dramatists of England.

In discussing the play at a meeting of the Drama Department, Mr. Finch said, "The Ivory Door," while it contains much of the Milne fancy and humor, is not a child's play. It has a deep allegorical meaning that is most apropos at the present time. It takes place in a medieval castle. The "Ivory Door" represents blind tradition. Those who deny it go unheeded, and frequently are destroyed, for the unbelieving mass will not accept them even though they obviously speak the truth. The play ends with the hopeful note of another generation seeking the truth, showing that there will always be someone willing to try."

The play was chosen not only because it is timely, but because this type of show has not been produced in Ithaca College for a number of years and also because it has a great many good parts affording more students an opportunity to gain acting experience.

House Openings Next Week

Ithaca College, among other traditions, has the tradition of hospitality. This tradition is once more practiced in the annual "House Opening Week" which starts next Monday. All dorms and fraternities and sororities will be open to the students and faculty on specific evenings. Refreshments will be served at one house from each group. Dates for the openings are as follows:

Monday, November 6th:

Griffis
S.A.I.
Phi Mu Alpha

Wednesday, November 8th:

Westminster
Chadwick
Phi Delta Pi

Thursday, November 9th:

Banks
Newman

Friday, November 10th:

Hilliard
Delta Phi Zeta

banners, etc. was a sure method of converting Republicans.

The idea rather fell through for the last that was seen of George and his comrade in political views, Otto Miller, they were standing solemnly over a bonfire in which Mr. Roosevelt lay smoldering.

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New Curricula Combines Music, Radio Courses

Two new curricula, both combining music and radio work, will be offered shortly at Ithaca College, it was announced recently by Dr. Leonard B. Job.

One of the new curricula will emphasize music, but will offer also a course in radio and acting. It will be designed primarily for those students interested in careers in radio and musical drama. The second curriculum is devoted to a specialized course in radio performing, giving a major in speech and drama and devoting very little time to a study of the mechanical and business end of radio. Both curricula will require a substantial amount of background work, including English, history, and science.

This type of curriculum has been under consideration for some time, and it was due to the fact that several students requested this change that quick action was taken.

Along with these new courses will continue the established ones of music, drama, and technical radio work, since Dr. Job realized that there are people in the school interested in all phases of the work.

Ithaca College Plans To Lease Campsite

College executives are making plans to lease from the government a summer camp for the use of all Ithaca College students, Dr. Job has announced.

As yet the plans are still tentative, but include not only the summer camp, but a possible outdoor theatre for the use of Drama students.

The camp is situated about fifteen miles outside of Ithaca, near Danby, and covers six hundred acres.

The probable plans also include a course in Camp Councilorship Training, during the month of June, for all students interested. There is a large demand for trained camp personnel to work in childrens camps.

When the camp is not in use by students the college will open it to various young people's organizations, such as the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. The students in the councilorship course will have a chance to work with the children and obtain actual experience.

"Guest In The House"
Nov. 3, 4, 8:15 P. M.
Little Theatre

Organization Notes

Phi Delta Pi

All Physical Education girls met at the Phi Delta house for professional night on Thursday night, November 2. Lieut. Maddalone, an Ithaca College graduate, now teaching physical training in the Navy program at Cornell, spoke to the girls.

On Friday night, November 3 the Physical Education girls belonging to Phi Delta Pi will take an overnight hike to Buttermilk Falls. The group will remain at Buttermilk Friday night and Saturday. Mrs. Grimshaw will accompany the group.

Delta Phi Zeta

A dance to be held in conjunction with Kappa Gamma will be given at the house for all Ithaca College boys on Friday evening, November 17.

Sigma Alpha Iota

Bids were sent to the following girls:

Monette Martin, Ruth Knight, Alice Terzian and Margery DuBois.

Kappa Gamma Psi

The boys at Kappa Gamma are working on the formation of a mimeographed news letter, issues of which are to be sent to all members in uniform and multi at regular intervals. The number of issues per term will be disclosed soon.

Brother Vinnie Setticasa is producing a musical show at the Canastota war plant where he works. Members of Kappa Gamma are submitting music to be used in the show.

Brother Bing Safford, of the U. S. Navy, has been sent to the quartermaster training corps at Bainbridge, Maryland. He was formerly stationed at Williamstown, Mass.

Newman Club

The officers of the Newman Club this year are:

President, Mary Alice Hilgenberg
Vice-president, Jean McCabe
Secretary, Ruth Fredericks
Treasurer, Carrie Fischette

The Newman Club meets every other Wednesday evening in Room 12 with Father Walch, college pastor. The organization at Ithaca College co-operates with the Newman Club at Cornell in holding combined parties and dances. A communion breakfast is held by the Newman Club once a month.

Phi Mu Alpha

On the seventh of November the national election occurs. On the eleventh, the Phi Mu boys are having a Tom Dewey Dance to honor their brother. The dance will be held at the chapter house and will be open to all men in the college.

Whether you be Republican or Democrat, you are cordially invited.

MAIL CALL

Dear Johnnie,

This will all be news to you though not to the student body they heard this issue being made up in an open Ithacan meeting last week. The meeting was actually an assembly to encourage the students to come out for the staff of "ye old Ithacan." The kid came through beautifully, fourteen in all trying out. One of the interesting features of the program was the announcement of the returns of the straw vote—Roosevelt 98 votes; Dewey 115 votes.

Now on to all that news we've been saving for you . . . Tv I. C. kids hit the big time Johnnie—Bette Buehler is all set to go overseas with the U.S.O. in "Over Twenty One"—Dottie Conger may soon be seen at the Temple. She has a few lines in "Down Arkansas Way" with Slim Summerville.

Ex Phy-Ed prof. Ben Light announces a little blinker, David Gerald, born around July.

Word comes to us that Johnnie Hotchkiss is flying as a turret gunner on a torpedo plane somewhere over seas.

Bob Dierks and George Burgess are in Italy together. Bob bumped into "Umpy" Harriet Olmstead when she was over there. "Umpy" is now in Atlantic City trying to get into physio-therapy.

We've had lots of welcome company lately, Mike McKillop and wife Dottie Mevis were in town. They both look swell. Don Snyder was back bringing a pretty new wife with him. Don married Gladys Merriam on August 9th. They are now on their way to Tampa, Florida, where Don is stationed.

Had a long talk with Vinnie Setticasa and Bruce Flaherty. They blew into town for the weekend and it sure was fun reminiscing. By the way Vinnie's found his mate. She's beautiful—the wedding will take place in about a month.

Gee, we're a little sleepy and foggy today—we were up late last night at rehearsal, however a couple of cups of good old Ideal coffee will fix us up.

News has come that Lieutenant John Natale took part in the Normandy invasion. He was in command of an L.S.T. boat, which overturned a few miles off shore. John had a very narrow escape but is back in action now.

More marriage notes: Sylvia Glassman, former member of the Drama Department to Capt. Julius S. Sachs of the Army Medical Corps.

The school is very much alive this evening, the play is on its way, prospective Scampers music is being tried out, the Ithacan staff is dashing around in search of news and the general cozy hubub that makes school what it is.

Well Johnnie, we have loads of homework to do, so we'd better say so long for now.

Always . . .

Scampers Needs Student Cooperation

The committee asks you to watch the Scampers bulletin board for notices of tryouts.

To submit any ideas you may have for any part of the show.

Don't forget to watch the Board.