

# MEAD HALL HISTORY UNCOVERED

by Bill Hodsdon

The *Ladies Home Journal* interested in Drew? Possibly the fashion editor wants to write a teen interest article on Bermuda shorts? Not exactly. You see, it's this way. A short time ago Mr. Morgan received a letter from a Mr. Richard Pratt, Architect Editor of *The Ladies Home Journal* stating that the Curtis Publishing Company was considering publishing *A Guide To Early American Homes*. Noting in a similar source reference to "the Gibbons Mansion" located on the campus of Drew University, Mr. Pratt wrote wishing to know if this fine specimen of early American architecture was still in good repair and if so, what were the outstanding features of the building?

Mr. Morgan, in his usual cooperative manner, dug into the Drew Archives and uncovered these interesting facts which come from a book entitled *Drew Theological Seminary* edited by Ezra Squire Tipple (inventor of The Pond) and published in 1917 before Brother's College came into existence. The book is available at the Drew Library.

What we now call Mead Hall was built during the three years from 1833 to 1836 by William Gibbons of Savannah, Georgia, a wealthy owner of a steamboat and overland stage line from New York to Philadelphia. His wife liked the "Drew Forest" the first time she saw it, and subsequently, Gibbons bought 250 acres (at \$170 per acre) and began construction of a mansion which would take three years in construction and cost approximately 100 thousand dollars. When it was finished, the "Gibbons Mansion" was the most elegant show-place on the Eastern seaboard. It was "a noble structure, more than a monument to the wealth of its builder... a memento to his taste and culture... an embodiment to the fine tradition of the South... It is a true colonial mansion... 150 by 100 feet... each story 18 feet high... six stately Corinthian columns reaching the roof...



The Gibbons Mansion

a grand porch ninety feet long and fifteen feet wide having a marble floor... and (inside in the entrance hall), two large mirrors are hung opposite each other with mathematical exactness so that they furnish an endless number of reflections... The floor is polished marble in black and white squares... Editor Tipple adds this

romantic reflection... "before the war (in the drawing room to the right of the entrance) bright shone the lights on fair women and brave men."

## Heritage

After the interview I walked down the long stairway with less than the usual speed peering intently at features of the old building with new interest and perspective and before I reached the front door, a truly impressive thing in itself, I could well understand why Mr. Pratt is interested in our administration building. He has two advantages over us. He would more readily see in Mead Hall what he describes as "... a living reminder of our heritage... a vivid picture of society in which independence of mind and honesty of workmanship were regarded as the highest qualities." Finally, Mr. Pratt has the advantage of being able to see "The Forest" and to appreciate the true beauty of Mr. Gibbons' Mansion" which we at Drew may not see due to its proximity and our familiarity. Look again when you have time.

## The Drew Acorn



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## Panel Discussion To Highlight New Jersey Guidance Meeting

Drew will be host to the New Jersey Guidance Meeting for High School and College Deans and Counsellors on Saturday, March 19. Approximately twenty-five deans and counsellors are expected to attend the meeting in Mead Hall. They will be guests at the college refectory for lunch.

In the afternoon there will be a panel discussion by four college students, moderated by Mr. William Wilson, the Supervisor of Instruction in Teaneck, New Jersey. Dick Smyth will represent Drew on the panel and there will be one member each from Princeton University, Douglass College (formerly New Jersey College for Women), and New Jersey College for Teachers at Newark.

The discussion will be a continuation of the *Saturday Evening Post* article, "How to Stay in College." It is felt that this is a very important problem facing college students today. Each member of the panel will be called upon to tell what his high

school did to help him prepare for adjustment in college. Panel members will also discuss ways in which they think this preparation could be improved in the high schools.

## Faculty Club Party

The annual Faculty Club Party is to be held on April 1, at 6:30 p.m. in Mead Hall. Mrs. Edward Fortney is chairman of the party. Working with her as co-chairman is Mrs. Carl Michelson.

As a special feature of the party, the wives are making Easter hats which will be judged according to the most original, the most humorous, and the prettiest. The entertainment, which will be a take-off of several TV shows, will be provided by the faculty members.

The faculty members will also provide the food, cover-dish style. Approximately one hundred members of faculty and administration families will attend.

## Fellowship, Retreat Speakers Announced

At the Drew Fellowship meeting this Sunday, Will Herberg will speak on the Passover and Easter, emphasizing the meaning of both for the Hebrew and the Christian. Kurt Garrett, program chairman, says, "His competence in this field should give all of us the opportunity to receive new insights into these religious holidays through the eyes of one of the most able exponents of the Jewish faith."

On March 27, Jane Karlin, member of the Seminary Faculty, will speak on "The Crucifixion in Art."

The list of speakers for the Student-Faculty Spring Retreat on April 22-24 has been completed. The Reverend Mr. Charles Smyth will be the main speaker. The speakers for the seminars will be Dr. Howard C. Kee, Dr. Lawrence E. Toombs, Mr. James H. Palm, and Dr. William R. Farmer.

These men will speak about the Bible, the Church, and individual experiences as they develop the theme "Gateways to Faith." In the Sunday seminar Mr. Farmer will take Mr. Kee's place.

## Sigma Phi Electees Announced Recently

Five seniors were recently elected to Sigma Phi, honor society of faculty members, students, and alumni. This term's electees are Wilfred Dommermuth, Bernard Feldman, Marjorie Lamphier, Richard Semeraro, and Donald Sparks. These candidates are majoring in economics, chemistry, religion, and two in government, respectively. Louis Bullock, Hilma Vesterdal, and Floyd Wolff were elected to the society during the first semester; David Callender was elected last spring.

These honor students will be inducted into Sigma Phi at a public ceremony in College Hall Chapel on Thursday, March 24, at 9:50 a. m. All university students are invited to attend.

## First Drew Girl At American U.

Ruth Smith is the fourth student this year to temporarily leave Brother's College in order to participate in the "Washington Semester" program at American University in Washington, D. C. Ruth is the first girl to enter the program from this college during the two years we have participated in the program.

Joining with students from selected colleges all over the country, Ruth will be required to take two courses set up especially for the "Washington Semester" students and in addition will take three government courses at American University. One of the special courses is a seminar which meets once a week to visit and study the various government agencies. Meetings with the White House staff and Treasury Department officials are typical of the opportunities this course offers.

The other special course consists of an individual project assigned to each student by an advisor from his own school. The students are to make studies and write papers concerning particular phases of government. Ruth has been assigned the topic of "The Role of Women in the Federal Civil Service." To carry out her project she will work with the Federal Civil Service Commission. She will observe how the Civil Service works in a particular agency, and she will make a case study of Mrs. William Murtha, a graduate of Drew, who holds a high position in the federal government today.

The "Washington Semester" program is set up by the various advisors from the participating schools, but it is actually run by American University. The program, winner of a Foundation award, is gaining nation-wide recognition, and there is now a long list of schools waiting for admittance into the program.

Dr. E. G. Stanley Baker, president of Sigma Phi, will conduct the induction ceremony. It is customary for each electee to have a sponsor. Serving as sponsors will be Drs. E. Gilmore Ford, James A. McClintock, Joy B. Phillips, Robert Schultz, Robert G. Smith, and Dean Raymond A. Withey.

Requirements for election to Sigma Phi are a cumulative average of 2.50 for 90 to 104 credit hours and one of 2.35 for 105 hours or more.

The new members of the society will be entertained at the annual Sigma Phi dinner which is to be held at the William Pitt Inn in Chatham on March 31. The program will be arranged by Dr. Dika Newlin, vice-president of the society.

Officers of Sigma Phi for 1955-56 are Dr. Newlin, president; Dr. Brunhouse, vice-president; and Mr. Richard C. Morgan, secretary. Mr. Morgan was re-elected to this office.

## Dormitory House Parties Provide Contributions To Social Life

The coeds of Brother's College opened their dormitories for the *Women's House Parties* last Saturday night. Tomorrow night at 8:15 p.m. the men will do likewise.

"Rogers Goes Pogo" read the sign on the door of Rogers House. Pogo and his friends were placed on walls, mirrors, and doors throughout the dorm, while mobiles hung from the ceiling. At the foot of the stairs was a tree with an elevator for all to enter the tree house. The entertainment consisted of a puppet show, taken from a Pogo story but given a new twist. Refreshments consisted of "Pogle" sandwiches and tea. Favors were Pogo figures for the men and women.

The theme of Asbury was "It's

a Woman's World." The words to the song were written up the bannisters, and cartoons concerning women put on doors and walls. Women's articles such as eyebrow pencils, curlers, and lipstick were put in picture frames and hung on walls. Favors were make-believe perfume bottles. Entertainment consisted of a number of acts which fitted into a story.

"Mad Goes Modern." Indirect lighting, abstract sculpture, and mobiles were decorations for the Madison House Party. There was no furniture, but cushions were provided for those who wanted to sit. There was dancing, but no entertainment. Refreshments were served buffet style, with sandwiches, punch, and soft drinks.

Tomorrow night will see the fruition of work spent by the men of Drew University in preparing for their house parties.

At the New Dorm Harold Burris, social chairman, has made plans for the dorms usual "spectacular" house party. The theme will be carried out in the decorations by John Everett and Larry Slacum. The favors are being designed and executed by Dave Rein. Llew Pritchard is in charge of the refreshments. An "intellectual" evening of entertainment is being planned by Jack Moore.

Faulkner House has made plans for their house party. Bob Linares, social chairman, is being aided by Jack McCluskey, decorations; and Howard Applegate, refreshments.

## Debate Squad Defeats Rutgers

The Drew Debating Squad won its first debate of the year against Rutgers University on March 2 in Newark. The topic for the debate was: "Resolved: The U. S. should extend diplomatic recognition to Communist China."

Bob Janes and Art Hosmer spoke for the negative and won their debate. The affirmative, supported by Mel Williams and Ron Arena, was judged to be a draw.

A return match with Rutgers is expected to be held sometime this month. Drew will also sponsor a debate tournament to be held on campus on March 23 and 26.

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## Elections

Once again the students of Brothers College face that annual event which is such an integral part of their participation in the affairs of the campus community, the election of Student Council officers. It is incumbent upon us as mature and intelligent people to give careful consideration to all facets of this great institution of democratic elections as it exists on our campus.

Yesterday the names of certain candidates were placed in nomination. The Acorn sincerely trusts that those individuals who were nominated have given or at least will give thoughtful consideration to the relationship of their personal qualifications to the demands of the offices for which they were nominated. No candidate has the right to continue as such unless he has exercised thought about such a relationship and his willingness to serve in the affairs of student government.

Although members of the student body will no doubt be now making decisions regarding their choices, the best choices can be made or finally decided upon only after hearing campaign speeches given at the March 23 election rally. Students who neglect attending this rally are in reality neglecting a responsibility of great magnitude. To vote solely on the basis of one's opinion of others without allowing the candidates to "defend themselves" is a sign of intellectual weakness.

The listing again of desirable qualifications in an office holder would in a sense be an insult to the intelligence of members of the student body. We are confident that the students of Brothers College are aware of these requirements. We only urge that as electors the members of the student body will cast aside personal prejudices, facing the qualifications of the nominees with open minds.

The constitution which is being constructed this semester will have absolutely no value unless it is placed in the hands of competent officers. Next year more than ever the success of student government at Brothers College will rest on the shoulders of Student Council officers. Let us, therefore, as college students incorporate a desire to vote intelligently with an awareness of the importance of our right and duty as electors into our votes as we cast them on March 24, 1955.

## Field Trips

Last fall a program of compulsory field trips was re-established in Brothers College. From all appearances this seemed a very good idea, and many of the upper-classmen are only sorry that the program had not been established earlier. However, many students feel that with the re-establishment of this program fewer opportunities are available to upperclassmen. Perhaps an evaluation of the existing field trip program would be productive of more diversified field trip opportunities for students.

## CAMPUS PERSONALITY

RICHARD SEMERARO

by Ed Newman

When Richard Semeraro went to Central High School in Paterson he played baseball and warmed the bench. He thought he could pitch, but no one else did, especially the coach. One day no other pitcher was ready to go and the coach turned to Semeraro, from desperation rather than from choice. Dick allowed but five hits and won handily.

Illustrated above is a pattern which was to persist throughout his college career at Drew. Semeraro and persistence are as subject and predicate. Dick's accomplishments are always concealed behind a firm set expression which indicates an inner confidence. Yet he never fails to realize his limitations.

Recently elected into Sigma Phi, Dick's academic record is enviable. He approaches his work with a constant eye to the future which he hopes will be either in government service or preferably trade union work.

Dick was one of the government majors chosen to attend the Washington Semester at American University last year. For his major project he selected a study of the C. I. O. during its formative period in the present administration. This past summer Semmy worked in a factory in Paterson producing jet-engines and became a member of a C. I. O. shop in his plant. During his stay he became aware of dissension among the workers concerning the integrity of their union representatives. There was talk of corruption, of exploitation of the welfare funds. Dick remained close-mouthed amidst this stirring until the "show-down" meeting. The chairman asked if anyone wished to speak for the candidates. Semeraro went forward and began, "I've only been here a few months, but someone in the crowd said, 'You'd think this kid went to col-

lege." In the voting later, the old regime was soundly defeated.

On the baseball diamond at Drew Dick has shown a relentless drive. During the 1952 and 1953 seasons he was over-shadowed by such Drew greats as Dick Haynes and George Wilson. Last year Doc Young chose Dick to share the pitching chores with Jim Blomberg and although having his share of "hard luck," did well. This year, Semmy, under the guidance of Coach Watts, should come into his own.

Semmy's frankness and sin-



Richard Semeraro

cerity hardly place him in the category of an "everybody's friend." He is extremely well liked by his close friends, and if some don't understand him it is because they don't make the effort.

Dick is currently senior class president. His ability and accomplishments indicate that his classmates' confidence in him will be continued by those with whom he associates in the future. His chosen field will be rewarded by an able administrator and fair judge of men.

## YEAR IN MUNICH

by Beth Hatch

On September 16, 1953 the Queen Elizabeth sailed from New York carrying among its passengers nine students who were soon to join different ideas, backgrounds, and educations to form the pioneer "Junior Year in Munich" group.

The five day boat trip proved to be a chance to become acquainted with one another. After a three day stop in Paris we arrived one cold and cloudy morning in Munich. We soon learned how little German we actually knew and that everyone does not speak English. Many humorous events followed as we located our new homes and non-English speaking families. For example, I was to live in a student dormitory and since I had no idea how to tell them I was member of this group I simply said, "My name is Elizabeth Hatch." The owner promptly replied, "So what?" Finally someone came who could speak German and English, and we located my room. My only consolation was that I was not the only one who had trouble making himself understood.

Work began the following Monday as Dr. Ebelke, the director, undertook the "impossible" task of dividing the group, which had now increased to twelve, into two sections based on relative knowledge of German. Intensive courses in grammar, composition, and general orientation followed. Since the major field of study is not important in becoming a member of the group, when the University classes started in November, we found each of us taking different courses in varying departments. Soon (at least by February) we were actually beginning to understand our lectures.

We spoke, read, heard, and even dreamed German. However, outside the classroom time was filled with new and interesting events. We worked hard, but we also played hard. Since Munich offers at least one operetta, concert, and opera every night as well as two or three theaters and cabarets, there was no difficulty in finding something to do. Movies also proved very interesting—picture *Gone With the Wind* in German!

The International Student Club was very active, sponsoring trips to nearby places of interest and meetings every week. One night the "Junior Year" group found itself in charge of an "American Evening." One of the main events was a square dance, and as a participant, I feel qualified to say that it is fortunate that the others didn't know what a square dance was supposed to look like.

We had a three week Christmas vacation and nine weeks at midterms which gave us ample time to explore by train, boat, bus, and even by "thumb" the various corners which Europe offers. The second semester was climaxed by a Farewell Banquet (anti-climaxed by final exams), and on August 1, 1954 the pioneer group left Munich in different directions with different goals. We took a part of Munich with us, but we left behind not only the basis for a permanent program in Munich but much more, we left behind a part of us.

We learned more than a language, we learned to live with and as another nation. It was an opportunity to broaden ourselves culturally and intellectually, to create a favorable impression of us got something different out of the program, but we returned with at least one thing in common—A love for the German people and a desire to return to Germany and, of course, to Munich again.

## Worse Than Usual

FORMERLY

"Practically Nothing"

by J. B. Moore

In an effort to placate the anthropoid element on campus, this week's rather dubious outpouring will be devoted almost exclusively to jokes, jokes, and more jokes. But before launching into the alleged humor section, I should like to squelch a vicious, nasty rumor which has been circulating. William Holden positively does not die at the conclusion of "The Bridges of Vera Cruz." Holden's tour of duty was over before the picture's and he was replaced by Bela Lugosi, who was the person, not Holden, shot by the Chinese Communist, Garl-Ku-Per.

A man was being examined for Soviet citizenship.

"If you had a thousand acres of land," asked an official, "would you give half of it to the state?"

"Yes," said the applicant.

"And if you had a herd of sheep, would you give half of them to the state?"

"Sure," piped the Slav.

"And if you had two pair of pants, would you share them?"

"No."

"And why not?"

"I've got two pairs of pants."

"Oh Darling, I've missed you," she cried and fired the gun again.

Dear Sir:

I am engaged to a girl and have been informed that you were seen kissing her. Kindly call at my dormitory at eleven Friday and make an explanation.

Hugo Crumpsy.

Dear Hugo:

I have received a copy of your circular letter, and will be present at this meeting.

Red.

Little Billy's pet turtle was the light of his life. Day after day he and Tubby, the turtle, would romp and play happily with each other. Then one day Billy found Tubby lying on his back motionless and still, and he was hysterical with grief.

"Now, Billy," said his father, "don't feel too bad. We'll give Tubby a wonderful funeral and we'll call it a party. You can have all your friends and play games and Mother will serve ice cream and cake."

Billy sniffed and dried his tears, but just then he looked at Tubby. "Daddy, look!" he cried.

The little turtle moved his legs feebly and finally managed to right himself. "Daddy," he said, "let's kill him."

Now all you good chillun read Miss Sikora's column, huh?

## The Job Ahead

by Eleanor C. Sikora '48

What opportunities are open to a draftee with a diploma? What qualifications are needed? How does the draftee "land" the job? Is it possible for the draftee to attend special army schools—either as part of his training or during his free time?

Compared to the opportunities open to an enlistee serving even a minimum three year period, the opportunities open to a draftee serving for only two years are limited.

Officer Candidate School would take 6 months of your time in service, after completion of advanced basic training. Upon finishing O.C.S. you would be required to sign up for two years.

Herman Mertins, '53, suggests that you consider joining a reserve unit while you are still in college. Reserve duty takes no more than one evening a week, pays a beginner in a Class A unit \$2.77 per meeting, and affords opportunity for promotion. Herman Mertins was able to attain the rank of corporal in the Reserve and, just before he would have been drafted, he enlisted for a two year period, thus retaining his rank.

Since there is a considerable need for technicians, those of you who are majoring in the social sciences may find your hobbies of greater interest to the army than your schooling. Don't neglect to mention them whether they include tinkering with cars or raising homing pigeons.

A knowledge of the rules of drill formations and weapons is also important whether you are drafted or enlist. Upon that depends your chance of being chosen as a squad leader during the first week of basic training. Many a quick promotion resulted from this opportunity to stand out from the crowd.

If—as an economics major—you were willing to enlist for a three year period, you could specify, at the time of your enlistment, that you wanted to get into the Adjutant General Corps or the Regular Army, Unassigned, with the understanding that you would later be placed in one of its finance divisions.

A publication of the Capitol Publishing Co., Irvington-on-Hudson, N.Y., PREPARE FOR THE OFFICIAL U.S. ARMY-NAVY-AIR FORCE TESTS (\$2.00), will give you helpful hints on how to present your education, experience and interests.

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## President Holloway Lectures In Texas

President and Mrs. Fred G. Holloway have been spending this past week in Georgetown, Texas where the president is delivering the Willson Lectures at Southwestern University. The series this year, which is the eighth of its kind, is entitled "From Belief to Life." The Willson Lectureship was established at Southwestern University in 1948 by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Willson of Floydada, Texas. The purpose of the lectureship according to the Southwestern University Bulletin is to deal "each year with some problem having to do with the religious and social life of young men and young women." After the presentation the lectures will be printed in manuscript form and published.

## Summer Job Opportunities

Wanted: Men and Women with skills in wrestling, archery, arts, astronomy, boxing, dramatics, arts and crafts, riding, riflery, water skiing, golf, drum and bugle, music, nature, photography, radio, sailing and tennis.

Summer is not far off, and the bulletin board outside Mrs. Tillan's office in Mead Hall has posted on it job opportunities for Drew men and women in summer camps.

Information is available for work in boys' and girls' camps in these seven states: Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Salaries range from \$200 to \$300 for activity directors and from \$100-\$150 for senior counselors for both girls and boys.

There are also positions open at co-ed camps where similar skills are needed. The season usually begins in the middle of June with some camps offering a pre-camp training program. Most camping seasons end during the last week in August.

Unit leaders and those counselors responsible for training campers in a particular skill must be 21 years of age. Unit assistants in some camps may be 18 to 20.

The student interested in obtaining a camp job this summer should: (1) Watch the bulletin board and (2) When he sees a position which he is interested in write directly to the camp or call at Mrs. Tillan's office and see if she has further information on file. (3) Another suggestion would be to request at the Office of University Services an application for registration with the American Camping Association, 342 Madison Ave., New York 17, New York. This agency refers qualified applicants to various private camps which are in need of staff members.

In addition to the more distant camps there are several opportunities available at day camps in or near Madison.

## Dean Morris To Hold Tea

Mrs. Florence H. Morris, Dean of Women, will hold an "at home" tea for all college women Sunday, March 27.

Tea will be served from 3:30 to 5:30 in Dean Morris' home at 89 Madison Avenue. Arrangements for entertainment are not yet complete. Dean Morris considers this an occasion each year to meet and talk with "her Girls" in a more personal way than daily campus life allows. Invitations have been posted in each of the women's houses.

## Frosh Prepare For Class Hop

The Class of '56 is preparing for the Frosh Hop, which will be held Saturday, March 26, at 8:00 p.m. at the Madison Settlement House.

Pat Milne, freshman social chairman, and her committees have been scouring the country side from Madison to Newark for materials. She is being aided by committee chairmen: Demmy Kellerman, entertainment; Helen Garrett, favors; Bob Philicky, publicity; Chick Straut, music; Pinky Alexander, refreshments; and Willie Wave, cleanup.

Re Martucci, chairman of the decorating committee, has transformed the laundry room of the New Dorm into her workshop. She is being assisted by Llew Pritchard, props; Dick Edel, construction; Barbara Shaw, wall decorations; and Walt Adms, setting.

The Colonial Little Symphony is again rehearsing on campus in Mead Hall on Wednesday evenings.

work there are openings for bus boys, bell hops, kitchen workers, waitresses, desk clerks, typists, and office secretaries, with a salary range of \$25 to \$150 per month. These salaries do not include gratuities.

If you are interested in securing summer employment in a camp or at a resort it is necessary to act immediately by writing a letter of application to the camp or resort of your choice stating your qualifications and previous experience.

## Music Notes

by Georgia Bewley  
Brothers College Choir is rehearsing for its program at New Hyde Park on March 27. The program will include religious music from the Medieval period, a group of Negro spirituals and excerpts from Works by Wagner and Mendelssohn. A section of Easter anthems and Schubert's *Miriam's Song of Triumph* will complete the program. The New Hyde Park Methodist Church, where the group will sing, has arranged a supper and social period for the group.

The choir is also preparing a half hour program for the annual "Day at Drew" and for the Spring Concert on Mother's Day.

On March 20 at 4:00 p.m. in the Pilling Room of the library a Sunday Concert will be given by Annaelean Brown and Dika Newlin. Miss Brown, a mezzo-soprano, has studied in American music schools and in Vienna. The concert will include songs by Mahler, Handel, Schoenberg and the first American performance of Dr. Newlin's *Last Love*.

Tonight at 8:30 in the Carl Fischer Hall, West 54th Street, New York City, Donche Dikova, Bulgarian pianist, and Regina Resnick, Metropolitan soprano, will perform. The concert is a benefit for Sigma Alpha Iota, national women's professional music fraternity. Tickets may be obtained from Dr. Newlin for \$2.50.

For the opera lovers here is a list of highlights the New York City Company will present during the next two weeks, Sat., March 19, Mat.—*Fledermous and Eve—La Traviata*; Sun, March 20, Mat.—*Faust and Eve—Cinderella*; Sat., March 26, Mat.—*Madame Butterfly and Eve—Carmen* and Sun, March 27, Mat.—*La Boheme and Eve—Faust*.

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# Fencers Place Third In Tournament

## New Records Set By Courtsters in Victories

The Drew University basketball team finished its season with a 6-8 record. One could assume that this statement sums up the total accomplishments of the squad. But how wrong this would be.

The last two victories of the season against Jersey City Teachers and Trenton Teachers helped to magnify an intangible substance that makes this aggregation unique in the recent annals of Drew basketball—team effort.

While Ray Strelecki rewrote the scoring record at Jersey City with a 40 point effort, the most encouraging factor was the accumulation of 102 points by the team. Each man enjoys a bit of credit for the victory. Sid Zwierling hit for 28 markers, but most thrilling of all was Wally Sadoff's basket, which accounted for the 100th point. Likewise exciting were Warner Johnson's two foul shots which ended the scoring.

But these scorers aren't the only ones who should feel a certain pride in this victory. Besides Joe Holzinger and Joe Sobota, who both played superlative games, and Chick Straut, who is undoubtedly the best basketball prospect to come out of the freshman class, the other players who should be mentioned for their part in the tilt are Jerry Nicholas, Greg Mantel, Doug Wilson, Dewey Lonnstrom, and Roger Ferguson.

The Trenton game was a fitting finale to the season. Playing on the mammoth Trenton court, the Green and Gold looked woefully outclassed and tired at the end of the first half. Having played Jersey City the previous night, there was no reason not to believe that Trenton would wipe them off the floor in the second frame. But instead, Trenton was whipped. How, no one knows. Drew came on to the court for the start of the second half and wouldn't be beaten by La Salle. Trenton was held to 17 points in that half, and Drew came off the court with a 68-52 win.

### IN THE SPORTSLITE

HILMA VESTERDAL  
by Georgie Branin

W.A.A. president; varsity basketball; high school deck-tennis champion; Lake Lackawanna's women's golf champion; these titles help to describe Hilma Vesterdal, the first girl to receive the honor of being "In the Sportslite."

When Hilma was a little tike, her lifetime ambition was to climb a tree. At nine or ten, in grammar school, this ambition was fulfilled, and Hilma launched her "sports career." Her first outstanding achievement was "hopscotch champ" in sixth grade, but Hilma was yet to do greater things.

During her high school years her experience proved helpful to make Hilma an outstanding volleyball player and a participant in softball.

At Drew, Hilma decided to broaden her sports ability and became a candidate for varsity basketball. Miss Kuehl saw promise and gave Hilma a guard's position on the team. This year she has the distinction of being the only senior who has played on varsity for four years. Continuing with her volleyball prowess, Hilma played intramural volleyball and this year helped Rogers House capture first place and a trophy.

Her interest in W.A.A. continued and was manifested by positions on the board each year: frosh—representative from Gilbert House; soph and junior—vice-president; senior—president.

Hilma's summers have been spent at Lake Lackawanna in Sussex County. Having the lake "in her back yard" proved a grand opportunity, and Hilma began to swim via rope and tube at the age of six. Her ability improved each year and in high school Hilma received her Senior Life Saving award and Advanced Swimming badge.



At age eleven Hilma's interest was aroused in golf and, conveniently there is a golf course "in her front yard." Hilma became quite proficient in this area and last summer won the Lake Lackawanna women's championship. (We will not mention that there were only seven other contestants!)

As in high school Hilma has coupled her sports ability with a brilliant academic record. Being elected to Sigma Phi last fall was the culmination of four years of constant work and activity both in and outside of the classroom. Her activities include the Psychology Club (Hilma is a psychology major); Kappa Pi; and The Acorn.

In June, Hilma is looking forward to receiving two degrees: the B.A. from Drew on June 6, and the degree of Mrs. Joseph Jenus, Jr. on June 25.

### Intramural Basketball

by Steve Tuzenue

The freshman team took the intramural basketball diadem with but one loss this season. With a season of fine playing drawing to a close, let's join in congratulating the outstanding players. The five top scorers include: Mort Miller with 270 points, Ron Vander Schaaf with 229, John Baba with 182, Dick Lee with 177, and Joe Marbach with 160. Thanks for the success of the season is also due to all who officiated, watched, and played.

### Girls Varsity Lose Four Close Games

The women's varsity basketball team has recently played against a number of colleges in this area, including St. Elizabeth's College for Women, Centenary Junior College, Queens College, and Rider College. Although the team has yet to win, the girls have proved to be a great threat to everyone they play.

The Queens game was held here on March 2. Drew started slowly at first with many of their shots missing the goal. Playing with a 19-7 deficit at the half, the Drew forwards began to score, while the guards continued to play a tight game. The rally started a bit too late though, as the final score was 33-32 with Drew on the lower end. Barbara Barton was high scorer for Drew with 15 points.

The game with St. Elizabeth's on March 9, was also a close one, this time the final score being 31-29 in favor of the opposition. Drew held a 7 point margin at the half but could not equal the opponents' scoring during the rest of the game. Barbara Barton and Mimi Brewster tied for Drew's high scores with 10 points each.

The game with Rider, on March 1, was lost 47-36. Juanita Fenby was high scorer with 12 points. On March 7, Centenary also defeated Drew, the score being 25-16. Barbara Peschal led Drew's scoring with 6 markers.

The girls' lone remaining game is against Fairleigh-Dickinson College on March 22. Let's get out and support them.

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### Drew Bookstore

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By Dick James

Between the seasons, so to speak, we find almost all of Drew's varsity teams in action, although not in inter-collegiate competition. The basketball players have tucked away their uniforms, with some exchanging them for gloves and spikes. This year's 6 and 8 record was the best since 1948, and consequently, we can look with optimism toward next year.

The fencing squad and girls' basketball team are the only varsity sports engaged presently in inter-collegiate games. While the girls have been on the short end of some very close scores lately, the fencers have spread the name of Drew throughout the northeastern part of the U. S. with participation in the North Atlantic Tournament at Buffalo. The tennis and baseball teams have taken advantage of the warm weather and are carrying on intra-squad competition to determine the starting positions. The interest shown in these two teams is very good this year as can be witnessed by the increase in players over last year. This is a good sign since it takes quantitative spirit as well as quality to make a winning team.

Seen about campus lately has been a rather good looking gentleman with whom many are not acquainted. You may remember him from the alumni-varsity basketball game, but if not, you're sure to remember him as the new baseball coach, Lew Watts.

Lew, as he puts it, "was born at an early age" in Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, from where he departed for Lafayette College after completing his public school education. After two years he bid adieu to Lafayette and arrived at Drew Forest in 1941 where he remained until 1943. He then spent three years in the United States Navy. Upon receiving his discharge with the rank of Lieutenant J. G., Lew needed two credits to receive his degree so returned to Drew for another full year. The motive for the extended time was to enable Lew to play another season of baseball, which next to economics, was his major field. During his three years on Doc Young's teams, 1942, 1943, and 1947, Lew pitched the team to 12 wins while losing none. Then, he states, it was his "misfortune" to sign a contract with the St. Louis Browns and was passed around in their system for two years before leaving them. He continued to play professional ball for two more years before leaving them. He continued to play professional ball for two more years with minor league clubs from class A to class C. Lew is currently in the Wholesale Butter and Egg Business and makes his residence in New York City with his wife, Barbara, who he married just a month ago. With Lew's background and personality, we can look forward to a well trained baseball club; and we wish Lew the best of luck in his return to Drew as baseball coach.