



FIVE PROFESSORS HONORED

Shakespeare Play Receives Huge Ovation

There can be no question in the minds of Margaret Webster's players as to what the audience thought of "The Taming of the Shrew." Even the MacDowell Auditorium was surprised to hear its walls vibrate with the spontaneous applause. True, there were some skeptics who weren't too willing to attend an evening of Shakespeare, but not ten seconds after the curtain had parted they were smiling—at least soon after Christopher Sly had emitted his first healthy "Bur-r-rp!"

There were many things about the production to marvel at and appreciate. The music was appropriate, even if the music lovers did wonder for a moment about the combination of Shakespeare and Shostakovich; the costumes were colorful, though some of the ladies worried because Katherine had so few costume changes; the scenery was interesting, versatile, and a time-saver; and, what added greatly to the evening, both the cast and the audience had a very good time and did their best to show their appreciation.

What more could be asked? Well, some might want to turn to the scholar and wonder what that "creature" thought. Have no fears. The Bard himself probably attended just such a performance and joined in the laughter and heckling, too. Perhaps if he had attended the performance December 1, 1949, he might have thought Sly detracted a little at times from the main action and referred him to Act III, Scene II of Hamlet, but he wouldn't have objected to the closing scene.

Louisa Horton as Katrina was an excellent shrew, and Kendall Clark, as Petruchio, did a very good job of taming her.

"The Taming of the Shrew" should assure the success and popularity of the Margaret Webster Shakespeare Company and the requests "Return again next year!" will be ringing throughout the country, as they are in Ashland.

Dec. 13-14 X-Day On A.C. Campus

December 13-14, will be X-Day on Ashland College's campus. During these two days, the state mobile X-ray unit will appear to take pictures as a safeguard against tuberculosis.

The x-rays are compulsory for students, faculty, and employees of this institution.

The x-rays are free. Ashland's full cooperation in the Christmas seal drive and the efforts of County Health Commissioner, Dr. C. B. Meuser, and Mrs. Amy Lou McKinley, member of the Health Board, accounts for the unit's visit to Ashland College.

A schedule, denoting the time for the pictures to be taken, will be placed on the bulletin board.

Meet The Characters



The recent "Sadie Hawkins Day" party, sponsored by the Student Council, could be termed a complete success. In the upper photo is a mock marriage performed by "Marry'in Sam." (L To R) Louie Smith, Joanne Selby, Jean Lindower, Phil Lersch, and Rod Strelau. In the lower photo "Mammy" catches her man. Eileen Stoll and Joseph Brubaker.

N. S. A. To Meet At Wooster

All student governments in Ohio colleges and universities have been invited to attend the Fall Regional Assembly of the United States National Students Association to be held at Wooster, Ohio, on December 10.

An intensive program is planned for the one day meeting to give delegates and visitors ideas, aids, and suggestions for solving many of their problems of student government, student welfare, international travel activities, cultural inter-change and human relations.

Plans for an inter-college variety show and art tours will be discussed.

There will also be a chance for student government officers to get together and discuss setting up a student government clinic.

Ashland College will be represented at the assembly by six of the members of the local N. S. A.: Sam Davis, Bob Davis, Charles Dilgard, Nancy Halliwell, James Harper, and Eloise House.

An open road doesn't mean open up.

Activity Calendar

- December 9: Faculty Party
- December 10: Musicaglia Party (Smith Club)
- December 12: French Club Party
- December 13: YM-YW—7:00
Footlighters, 8:00
Basketball game
- December 14: Student Recital, 8:30
Jay-Collegian, Armory
- December 15: Booster Club, 4:30
F. T. A., 6:00
Scribes, 7:00
Basketball Game, 7:30

Open House Planned For December 10

Saturday, December 10, the students of Ashland College will again be welcomed to the Music Home for an Open House. Games will be furnished by the student council. Bring your own refreshments, your favorite boy or girl friend and have a good time.

Wise Saying: Open house kills a dull evening.

Kettering Comps Used At Hiram

Sunday, December 11, Hiram College will present a musical program in honor of Vachel Lindsay. Included in this program will be eight compositions by Eunice Lea Kettering, composer in residence at Ashland College. Miss Kettering has set many of the poems of Lindsay to music and they have been widely used by musical associations in Ashland. Several have attained national recognition.

Vachel Lindsay, who died in 1931, was a student at Hiram at the turn of the century. He studied art for many years at some of the best schools in the nation. However, he finally turned to writing in the attempt to preach the Gospel of Beauty.

Hiram is conducting this program as part of its Centennial year, 1950. Ashland participated in another phase of this celebration when the Eagles opened the centennial at Hiram's homecoming football game.

Compositions of Miss Kettering which will be sung include: The Mysterious Cat, Factory Windows Are Always Broken, The Moon's the North Wind's Cooky, A Dirge for the Righteous Kitten, Two Old Crows, The Sun Says Its Prayers, What the Clown Said, and Abraham Lincoln Walks at Midnight. The last two were specially written for the centennial choir.

As a special feature closing the concert, the Centennial Choir will sing the Oratorio, In Praise of Johnny Appleseed, which Miss Kettering composed some time ago. This composition has been sung by the Schools Cantorium over a national radio network.

Concert Claimed Large Success

The Ashland College a cappella choir under the direction of Dr. Louis E. Pete was featured in a concert presented by the Ashland Musical Club at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Sunday afternoon, December 4.

The choir first showed its undeniable ability in "Ballad For Americans" with baritone soloist, William Ray, a Junior at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music.

After several selections by soloist, Jean Lash, the choir again brought the audience several seasonable and beautiful selections. Included in these were "Fanfare for Christmas Day," by Shaw, "The Shepherd's Story," by Dickenson, "The Christ of The Snow," a Hungarian Carol, "The Carol of the Angels," by Niles and "O What a Lovely Magic Hath Been Here," by Bantock.

Soloists for the choir were Dorman Ronk, tenor; David Campbell, baritone; and Doris Guenther, soprano, who were heard in the Dickenson number. Violet Chokreff, soprano for "The Carol of The Angels" and Miss Patti Mosher, mezzo soprano, who sang the Hungarian Carol.

Publication Lists College Profs

Five members of the faculty of Ashland College are listed in the current edition of a Chicago publication "Who's Who in the Midwest." A short biographical sketch accompanies each name.

All college and university presidents are automatically listed but, since the book was compiled before President Clayton assumed his present position, his name is not included. The five honored and their birthplaces are: Ex-President Edward Mason, Professor of History, Ashland, Ohio; Ex-President Raymond Walter Bixler, Professor of History, Louisville, Ohio; Lulu Wood, Instructor of Children's Literature, Eaton, Indiana; Clara Worst Miller, Professor of Latin, Ashland, Ohio; Wilbur H. Miley, Professor of Speech and Radio, Waldo, Ohio.

Committee to Meet To Make Plans

The Prudential Committee, one of A.C.'s least known but more important groups, will meet on A.C.'s campus, December 14, to discuss the building repairs and recent drive to solicit funds for the re-vamping work. Also, an important item on the agenda will be the planning of the financial budget for this fiscal year.

As the need for additional space becomes increasingly pertinent, suggestions are to be formulated on an expansion plan covering the next ten years.

Members of this group consist of Myron S. Kem, president of the board and director of the Dayton Rubber Company, Dayton, Ohio; Bert Hodge, vice-president of the board and High School principal and educational leader of Ossian, Indiana; Harvey Amstutz, secretary. Mr. Amstutz is in the feed and grain business in Smithville and Orrville, Ohio. Other members include G. T. Ronk, owner of a construction company in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Albert Schwab, owner of a heating and plumbing company in Louisville, Ohio; C. L. Anspach, former president of Ashland College, and now a member of the Michigan Central College of Education.

Members from the vicinity of Ashland consist of Philip Lersch, Hess and Clark Company, and R. A. Hazen from the Myers Company.

A.H.S. to Present Christmas Chapel

The A cappella choir of Ashland College in conjunction with the Ashland High School choir, will sing in the annual Christmas program during the chapel period on Wednesday, December 14.

The high school repertoire will include several of the traditional Christmas carols.

The A.C. choir, as its share of the program, will repeat the numbers given in the Christmas Vesper Service last Sunday.