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Nixon's "Other Half"

THEY say behind every great man there's a woman. In the case of Vice-President Nixon, there's no doubt that his wife, Pat, has been backing him all the while. Her flashing smile was seen as soon as his as they stepped out of the plane. On hand to welcome the Nixons to Milwaukee early in October were many political leaders of Wisconsin, and she greeted such dignitaries as Governor Kohler and Senators Wiley and McCarthy warmly and graciously.

Nor did her charm and poise escape her when a few minutes later she was faced with a dozen or so women reporters barraging her with questions about her family, political views, and her "republican cloth coat." In answer to queries on their family life, Mrs. Nixon replied that she is a homemaker by choice and only hires help when she is traveling. The Nixons try to keep politics out of their family life as much as possible, and provide a normal home atmosphere for their two daughters, "Tricia," 10, and Julie, 8.

She enjoys traveling with the Vice-President for business, campaigning, or pleasure, for she feels meeting such a number and variety of people is an exciting and stimulating experience. She once did all of Mr. Nixon's secretarial work but now is able to handle only a part of the load. When asked whether she and her husband ever had political disagreements, she smiled, "Dick is such a good salesman, he has me completely convinced that his ideas are the best." Later she admitted that she had been a staunch Democrat before

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This is It!

D^O YOU like Ike or is it Adlai you're shooting for? Whether you sport an Eisenhower button, a Stevenson Shoe, or a "I really don't know" expression, this year should spell plenty of excitement for each and every Downer girl — especially as many of our seniors will be marking their "x" on the ballot for the first time.

Come November sixth, Americans will be going to the polls to cast their vote for the President of these United States . . . here at school, S. P. A. will have a mock election . . . even minors are allowed the vote! Jump on the bandwagon and watch those politicians . . . this is election year.

Impressions

WE ARRIVED one hour late only to find that we came two hours early to the "reception" held at Eagle's hall. Until 10:00 p.m. when Mr. Stevenson arrived, approximately half of the crowd stood outside. There was dancing upstairs which consisted of about six girls dancing in couples.

Several of my friends objected to what they called, the misleading terms "reception." I will admit that at most of the receptions I have attended refreshments were served!

Obviously, I was not too impressed with the atmosphere which the Milwaukee party had created. Oddly enough, it was the little things that characterized this "rally." The sailor leaning against the post eyeing each girl from stem to stern. The girl with the large, large spangle earrings and the tight skirt. The conservative Brown Tweed accompanied by the Persian Lamb. The man who would not budge from his seat for fear of losing a good site for viewing the "man of the hour."

One of the main events of the evening was the Fund Raising Hour of the "reception." A man, who really seemed sincere in his efforts directed the soliciting. The old myth about the poor Democrats, the rich Republicans, was perpetuated. This was the first display of good psychology. Some dug deep just to show others what they could do. Having their names called over the microphone seemed to stimulate some people. After everyone had a chance to display his party loyalty, fancily dressed girls went out to collect the silver money.

The unplanned psychology of Stevenson's late arrival, was a stroke of genius. As the evening progressed into night, one could feel the eagerness mount. (Continued on page 4)

SPOTLIGHT ON POLITICS

Whether your political learnings be toward the Democrats or the Republicans, there is one organization on campus which deserves some of your attention. It is known as the Student Political Association, and it is headed by Mary Anne Treutel, president. Other officers are: vice-president, Gertrude Beck; secretary, Marilyn Pautzke; treasurer, Sharon Olson; and member-at-large, Peggie Neese. Some of the future plans of the organization include a mock election to be held on November 1, preceded by a pre-election rally if possible. The group also plans to send delegates to mock United Nations conferences at Madison and the University of Indiana this coming spring.

Any student is eligible to join. Membership is \$1.00 for one year.

IN PERSPECTIVE . . .

Exactly what was gained by this year's Leadership Conference is old stuff by now.

Reports have been reported upon, recommendations recommended, C. G. A. has discussed — the hum is dying down.

It's an old story — hot ideas have a tendency of cooling down, brain storms are often washed out the net result of Leadership Conference 1956 has been tallied by the school population. Although buzz groups are still discussing orientation — Big Sister ideas these are pertinent to Downer.

As for the others—the hot-fire philosophy of N. S. A., the ideas presented on misplaced values, the hope for better relationships between school and community, the swelling desire to leave Downer's Downer and join a community's Downer. . . . Ask yourself if it just isn't old stuff by now. . . .

It's no secret that the last year's conference did bring results — it's an even bet that this year's will, too. But all results are not tangible things. The sign of an education is the sign of the times . . . these are reaching out years.

"The Importance of Being Earnest"

The second week of November will see Greene Lounge transformed into a turn-of-the-century English drawing room for the presentation of a sophisticated Oscar Wilde satire. The exact dates are November ninth through November eleventh and the name of the play is "The Importance of Being Earnest."

Downer girls will share the spotlight honors with male students from the Fred Miller Theatre. The following girls have been selected for the play.

Diana Halaus has been cast as Cecily Cardew, a sweet young maiden. Judy Knopp plays Gwendolen Fairfax, a sophisticated woman of the world. Gretchen Brandt will take the part of Lady Bracknell, a booming British matron; Barbara Kraemer acts as the fluttery English governess, Miss Prism; and Penny Spoor will be the maid-servant, Mary Ann. The male members of the cast are Richard Dennis as John Worthing, J. P., who reveals the importance of being earnest; John Hanley who plays Algernon Moncrieff; George Riddle as Reverend Canon Chasuble, D. D.; and Bill Benson as Lane.

This fall play is especially important because it is the first arena style play to be presented by Mountebanks. Also, it is the first time, in recent years, that the play will have a three night stand.

Tickets may be obtained from members of the Ticket Committee; Marilyn Pautzke, chairman, Kay Sheppard, and Wilma Baldwin.

Corrections

Snapshot apologizes for two errors made in its previous issue. Pertaining to expansion plans, only if the enrollment increases at the approximate present rate, will a New Commons be anticipated in 1958 and additional dormitory space in 1960.

Mr. Kulasiewicz, not Mr. Thrall, as previously stated, is the instructor in ceramics.



Stuffed animals can even occupy the valuable time of a college girl—Judy Shaw, Gertrude Brecklebaum and Treva Novy patiently stuff dolls and animals for Downer's all-important Christmas Bazaar.

Political Survey

A SURVEY of Downer's attitude of present day political problems resulted in the opinions stated below.

Question: Do you think there should be a limit on spending for national political campaigns?

Dr. Shea: Yes. The whole concept of democracy is predicated on equal opportunity for office. However, in this day and age, equal opportunity means equal budgetary. The question is whether it is feasible. There is little likelihood of its accomplishment.

Dr. Peterson: There should be relative equality in the amount of money in the treasuries of the parties. The unequality of the financial backing results in unequality in the presentation of information to the public.

Nona Roesler: Yes. With a set limit, you could find who had the best economical sense; the one who could accomplish the most for the least amount.

Mary Anne Treutel: Yes. Providing it is enforcible. Unenforcible laws are not worth having. More emphasis should be put on the small one and two dollar contributions than the two or three thousand dollar ones, as a person who contributes a dollar to the campaign feels that he has a stake in its outcome and will take a more active interest. Citizenship and politics require more than voting.

Margaret Hady: National campaigns are stupid. Presenting the views of the candidates to the people is a necessary part of our party system, but this business of having each candidate make solemn pronouncements that say nothing or being photographed with everything and everyone from pigs to beauty queens is, as I said before, stupid; and this latter is what campaigns mostly consist of.

Dr. Frances Hadley: Yes. Every year we have a political campaign which tops the one before it as far as expenses are concerned. The question is where the funds have been acquired, and how, legitimately or elsewise. Other countries manage their campaigns without the expenses that we go to.

Sharon Olson: Yes. There has to be a limit on them, or else we will someday get to the point when the only people who are in office are the ones who have enough money for the campaigns.

Chapel Services

A chance for the student body to pause for a moment to think about things above and beyond their daily schedules, will once again be offered during Milwaukee-Downer's nondenominational chapel services, composed of various readings and musical selections provided by members of the college, and conducted by Dr. Johnson.

Chapel will be held every Thursday noon from 12:20-12:40; other meetings are scheduled around this time. The Religious Activities Committee, anxious to see the total Downer population at these services as often as possible, extends a special invitation to all new members of the college.

MILWAUKEE PRESENTS

October 25

Shorewood Auditorium David Lloyd, Tenor North Shore Community Association

October 28

Wauwatosa High School Auditorium Gerard Souzay — Baritone Wauwatosa Community Conference Association

October 29

Milwaukee Auditorium Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra Herbert Von Karajan, Conductor Arion Musical Club

November 2 and 3

Milwaukee Pops Orchestra John Anello, Conductor Teen Age Concert Ethel Smith, Soloist Hall to be announced

November 4

Calvary Presbyterian Church Vesper Musicale

Chorus News

On October ninth, Chorus elected officers for the coming year. Congratulations to Joan Prath, President; Shirley Wilson, Secretary; and Mary Dittmer, Librarian.

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Occupational Therapy Club

O^{PEN} to all occupational therapy students, O. T. Club has planned an agenda this year that will be most rewarding to its members.

As one example, they are planning a trip to Southern Colony, a state mental institution near Racine, for sometime in the spring. During their tour of this institution, club members will see one of the many groups of people with whom they will be working when they start their careers.

Another point on the agenda is the publicity the club is offering through home newspapers. By sending home various articles on O. T. activities here, they plan to interest people, especially prospective students, both in O. T. as a profession and also in Milwaukee-Downer as a college.

Occupational therapy has a year of clinical internship after the four years of college training. Many O. T. internes who left Downer last year will be coming back this spring for about one month's work. During their stay, the O. T. students here will have many opportunities to ask questions about the things they would like to know concerning clinical work. Seniors, especially, are very interested in finding out what they will be doing next year when they begin their clinical internship.

The prospects for a very worthwhile year seem in the making.

Attention All Clubs!

Snapshot deadlines for this year:

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Mrs. Baehr Named State-wide President

Mrs. Loella Baehr, head of Chapman Memorial Library, was recently selected president of the Colleges and Universities Section of the Wisconsin Library Association. As president, she is responsible for co-ordinating all phases of their spring workshop which is being held in Milwaukee this year.

Questioned about the record collection and phonograph now available for student use in the library, Mrs. Baehr stressed that this project is in the experimental stage. Facilities will be expanded if it proves successful. This depends, in part, on the students keeping the volume down if the adjoining tower rooms are in use.

She also asked that the students make their preferences for the Browsing Collection known to her or to Bettye Hedges, chairman of the student library committee. Until they do, there will be no new additions to this collection.

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Waiting became tangible. When Adlai Stevenson arrived, the shout, which started as a low rumble, became deafening. The Democrats deserve credit; they made the most of this psychology of waiting. The Vice-Chairman of something was introduced; then the Vice-Chairman of the Vice-Chairman of something came to the fore. Finally, Mayor Zeidler introduced Mr. Stevenson.

It was Women's Day in Milwaukee for the Democratic Party. In my opinion this made it hard for Stevenson as his ex-wife's book, **The Egghead and I**, will be released for public consumption very soon. He told a few funny jokes. This was very rewarding, because they are unusual in campaign speeches. His speech, also, displayed a remarkable wit and a refreshing sense of humor. His last thundering exclamation was, "Let's take the government out of the hands of General Motors and give it back to Joe Smith."

The real essence of the "rally" was the observation of the mob . . . as in mob psychology. To my surprise, genuine respect was shown Mr. Stevenson. There wasn't so much shouting and stamping of feet that his voice could not be heard. He is a man who commands respect.

It was evident that, even though all of this work had been laboriously done by the party, the crowd came to support The Man.

— by Yvonne Fogg

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her marriage. She says her husband is running again this year, because he wishes "to serve his country in any small way."

Not too long ago Mrs. Nixon accompanied the Vice-President in visiting many countries around the world. She observed that the youth of these nations were not nearly as interested in world affairs and the future of their governments as American youth. The interest our generation has in world affairs and political problems is very encouraging, she remarked to the college students present, "for you will guide the future of our country."

Downer Versatility!

During the summer many of the students at M. D. C. spent the time working at summer jobs. Car hops, babysitters, clerks, and stenographers were some of the most usual jobs, but a few of the girls found very different ones.

For example, Treva Novy was a stenographer for an insurance adjuster; she spent quite a bit of time traveling on the road. Pat Ellingson also traveled. She was a lady truck driver and hauled eggs and butter to Gladstone, Michigan.

One of Peggy Simpson's three jobs was to demonstrate hot fudge in grocery stores; Marilyn Czechorski wiped hot dogs in a meat packing plant; and Margaret Hady cut plastic foam into pieces for a cheese-box manufacturer. This should prove that Downer girls are really versatile.