ASCIT Play Rehearsals Begin Tonite

The cost for this year’s ASCIT play, “Finnegans To Be Seen,” has been announced by Drama Club president Wayne Nelson. It includes John Conover as Goodman, a murdered man; Ken Dinwiddie as Waldo, a young, naive apartment manager; and Stu Goff as Miller, a flatfoot with an appointment with sorrow. Also selected were Tom Jovin as Gonzales; Diane Beveridge, who appeared in last two ASCIT productions, as Valoka Chaval; Wayne Nelson as Doc Gresham; Mike O’Malley as undertaker; Jim Uelman as undertaker Clark; Mike Peters as undersleuth; and Dale Tubott as Detective Watson; Bill McMann as Patrolman Johnson; Larry McCombs as Inspector Delapp; Larry Sloss as Detective Ralp Kipping as Detective Welser.

ASCIT Awaits Applications

Appointments for positions on the Executive Committee, for Editor of the Hg T, and for Department Chairs, in the Hg T and California Tech will remain open until April 7. Applications for the Executive Committee should be submitted to Mike Godfrey (B box in Ricketts); those for the publications positions should be turned in to Dave Spencer (3 box in Pleming).

Candidates for Executive Committee positions, as viewed by the ElComm members, should be selected following nominations. Positions will be interview-ed by a committee consisting of the students who nominated the ASCIT Business Manager, and other candidates.

Final selections will be made at the April 16 BOD meeting. Outstanding applications will be filled by a procedure later this term.

Interview

JPL Chief Looks At Space Program

“The Jet Propulsion Labora-tory will be part of the Army team that will carry out one or two lunar probe experiments,” Dr. William H. Pickering said in an interview with the California Tech student body. Pickering who has rocketed to national promi-nence since the debut of the Explorer program at the California Institute of Technology, Zurich, Switzerland. Under Pickering’s guidance, the Institute became a leading center of research in theoretical physics in the years before World War II. Pickering said in the past twenty he has been in the United States as a visiting professor of theoretical physics at Princeton, Michi-gan, and Purdue Universities and as present he is working at the University of California at Berkeley.

by Howard Weisberg

A rare opportunity to see and hear the foremost modern Indian philosopher is available to Caltech students today and tomorrow as Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, President of India, visits the campus as a part of the YMCA Leaders program.

Tonight he will deliver an ad-dress on a topic which has persisted throughout his long and turbulent life, “Indian Philo-sophy and Religion,” at 8:00 in Culbertson Hall. He gave a preview of his horror and testimony to the students of Caltech last afternoon in the Athenaeum where he spoke on “Science and Religion: presenting a philos-ophy which, rather than being in conflict with science, is actually provoked by it. He emphasized the inner similarity of many different world religions and the minor importance of form. Radhakrishnan, a three day visit to Tech is part of his cur-rent tour of the country, which began March 17th and during which he has stopped at several American centers including the University of Chicago and Har- vard. The students whom he met were highly impressed and open-minded, he stated. He has vis-ited 19 countries and 51 cities.

He has been active in Indian political life, having been ambas-sador to Russia, head of the In-dian delegation to UNESCO, and chairman of UNESCO, prior to being elected vice-president. His political duties as vice-president have been far from solved." Weisberg says, although he admits to being available as an advisor whenever the students need help on any subject.

Besides the three major ad-dress to the students that opportunities have been scheduled for students to meet Radhakrishnan in smaller groups. They are scheduled to meet Radhakrishnan in the four houses, and will also meet tonight in a session with mem-bers of the YMCA. A student
ASCIT’S BIG YEAR

The highly publicized ASCIT organization is about to take its first steps this term. This initial year promises challenges as great as any faced by student government at Caltech. The relative success or failure of the new ASCIT in meeting these challenges will be a matter of great interest to those students who worked to revitalize ASCIT government.

The movement for ASCIT revision came at an opportune time, but the timing was no more than accidental. The surprising thing is that the proposal did not run into the expected wave of conservatism. This fact might either be a measure of student acceptance or student indifference. We are inclined to suspect the latter.

At any rate, the ASCIT government, and particularly the ExComm, must prepare to show an uncommon amount of interest and leadership during the coming year.

For Tech’s student government must begin to worry about public relations between the student body and the outside world, at a time when institutions of education, and especially scientific education, will be enjoying uncustomed public prominence. Our student government must be particularly alive to opportunities for improving relations between the student body and the local community.

The administration will call upon the ExComm for advice on the planning of the new seven-house resident system. The ExComm will have to make a serious attempt to formulate a philosophy of student life; the committee will have to assess carefully the contributions of the present student house system to Tech students’ educational experience.

And during a time when the administration is reevaluating its educational policies, the ExComm must be ready to represent enlightened student opinion on this subject.

Finally, the ExComm should tackle the ever-present and elusive problem suggested by the terms “student morale,” “student apathy,” and “loss of motivation.”

These demands will heap a lot of responsibility on a conscientious ExComm. But the amended ASCIT constitution no longer requires that the ExComm accomplish anything, and we cannot guarantee that the ExComm will be conscientious. The unfortunate thing is that if the present board follows the example set by previous boards, it will fail to recognize its responsibility. And such a failure would be compounded as a precedent for future boards. But characteristically, few students would notice, and few would care.

We hope the new ASCIT meets its demands with complete success. A successful term of office for the present board would be a great benefit to the student body. However, we would greet such a success not only with elation, but also with surprise.

ASCIT Play
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The cast’s first meeting will be this evening at 7:30 in T-shaped Club where director George Stephens will conduct the first of a series of workshops to acquaint the cast with general stage techniques and the special problems of theatre in the round.

The play will be presented in the round on May 22, 23 and 24, in Cailberson Auditorium.

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SIX YEARS OLD: Six years ago, there was no Caltech Glee Club: a previous organization had gradually stagnated and be­ come defunct. Then a group of students got together and, through the humanities depart­ ment, secured Frodsham, a young professor of music at Occidental College, to direct their singing. The first year the singing was so bad that the piano rarely had to be removed from the stage. But the dedication and perseverance of Frodsham and the members showed that they were in for the long haul, and by the third year of the club’s existence it was giving concerts for a num­ ber of groups on and off campus. That spring it entered the Intercollegiate Singing Festival as an unknown and won second place, just behind Occidental, whose glee club has held a position of supremacy in the west for many years.

From that time on the enthusi­asm of the members has kept the Glee Club a dynamic and growing organization. In 1951 it inaugurated the Interhouse Sing, now a popular annual event. As the club continued to grow in quality and reputation, it began to give concerts throughout the Los Angeles area.

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Frodsham’s Untested Ideas: When Frodsham first took over the Caltech Glee Club, many of his ideas were untested and unknown to the music world. Through the Tech organi­ zation he has shown conclusively that better singing can be ob­ tained through training of the muscles of the face, pharynx, and diaphragm; and by his experience with the students here has led him to the best methods of train­ ing these muscles for the differ­ ent kinds of singing.

These ideas have led to the excellent tone quality and blend of the Tech club and have caused several graduate stu­ dents to have his own set for psych­ ological game which better­ than­ their own. Representing near­ ly one-tenth of the undergraduate student body, as well as con­ taining several graduate stu­ dents, the Glee Club may easily make all of Caltech known to the United States for something above and beyond its scientific endeavors.

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Tony Howell dropped a heartbreaker against the San Diego Naval Training Center, going the route in an 11-timing 4:3 decision. But for a moment, Colonel Stettner could easily have revised this one.

After a rain-out game with Cal Western, the Beavers traveled to Morrow Field in San Diego to play the recently-formed San Diego University. The track and swimming championships have been built for little leaguers (310 to left and right, 325 to center) and the score showed 12-9, with a pair of homers each by John Walsh and Herman Hartung; just not enough to balance five by SDU.

As an Arizona resident of eight years, I'm normally very happy to see a little rain fall now and then, but this spring in Southern California, land of eternal sunshine (above the clouds), persistent rainfalls have played havoc with local track and baseball schedules. With the all-conference track meet just one month away, Coach Bert LaBrucher's team has engaged in only one dual meet and the conference relays. Coach Ed Priestler's baseball team also has been rained out of two or three games.

INOPERATEABLE RAISER: The bad part about the rainfall, from the athletes' point of view, is that the skies have been clear during the first part of the week, allowing hearty conditioning workouts, but rain has fallen on the weekend, forcing cancellation of contests and causing the athletes to wonder just what they are working so hard for.

Many athletes, particularly in track and field, find themselves tense with expectancy and anxiety the last two or three days before a contest, and the letdown when they find on the day of the event that it has been cancelled has sometimes very noticeable effects on the person's demeanor and behavior for a day or so.

New Emphasis Given to All-SCC Meets

The track and swimming conference championships will go to the winner of the all-conference meet this year, according to a recent decision of the Conference Faculty Committee. Previously, the result of the combined dual meets was determined by the champion, saving the all-conference meet as just another anti-climax to the season.

Athletic Director Harold Musselman predicts that, following the recommendation of the Conference Coaches and Managers Association, cross country will also be conducted in the revised manner.

At the same meeting the committee revised the eligibility rules concerning students on a two-year plan. They will now be able to play as many years as an athlete is normally eligible in a sport, including participation at both Tech and the other school. This improves the old plan that restricted such students to one year of varsity competition.
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