

# Cast Of KK's Spring Show, 'Girl Crazy,' Begins Final Month Of Daily Rehearsals



WHAT HAPPENED? . . . That seems to be the question during this scene from "Girl Crazy." Kosmet Klub spring show. Taking part in the musical comedy are (l. to r.) Mary Kay Downing, Ned Conger, Mimi DuTeau, Marilyn Lehr, Nick Amos and Hank Gibson. (Daily Nebraskan Photo.)

**By JAN HARRISON**  
Staff Writer  
"Girl Crazy," Kosmet Klub's spring show, is well on the way toward production night. Final dress rehearsal is scheduled for April 21 and although that is a month away, members of the cast are working tirelessly. If you don't believe it, just drop in on the rehearsal of the principals in Room 306, Temple building, any night this week.

Rehearsals start at 7 p.m. week nights and usually last until 10 or 10:30 p.m. The cast gathers and after a few preliminaries by Director Max Whitaker, the rehearsal and the fun begins.

Beginning with general movement of the people on the stage, blocking each individual's part is done by the director. To stress points of action, Whitaker often walks through the parts himself. Later, lines and interpretation are stressed and concentration becomes not only necessary but voluntary. Enjoyment is evident by the way the actors respond to direction.

On the more informal side of the rehearsals, there comes a time when the cast and director break down and have a good laugh, usually brought about by the antics of Hank Gibson, who plays the part of the taxi-cab driver, Gieber. Hank literally goes wild, falling over chairs and mugging constantly. There is always some cast

member who breaks into gales of laughter, no matter how strict the order forbidding the breaking of character. It just cannot be helped. And when Hank is joined by Betty Lester in the uproariously funny scenes between Gieber and Patsy West, the combination is sure to be a show stopper.

Marilyn Lehr, in the role of Kate Fothergill, is another lovely and humorous character. She characterizes the sultry, blonde girl of the west and is supported by her gambler husband, Slick (Herb Jackman). The two of them furnish many an interesting and funny situation when they tangle with the uncomparable Sheriff Gieber.

Mimi DuTeau (Molly) receives a proposal from Nick Amos (Danny) in the last act, which results in the traditional "foiling of the other suitor," Sam. He goes out of the picture with a good-sized lump on his head and a dislike for the lover, Danny.

The light comedy and delightful music of the musical is most enjoyable. The chorus and dancers provide the final atmosphere and polish for the show. To the music of George Gershwin, the cast will dance, sing and laugh their way right smack into the hearts of the audience.

The date of ticket sales has not been announced, but KK club members are expected to launch their initial drive in the near future.

## Book Notes

### 'Devils In Baggy Pants' Fought Their Own War

To the men of the 82nd Airborne division, World War II was their own private war, a battle of hand-to-hand combat, a battle of the death of many buddies. Ross S. Carter's paratroopers in "Those Devils in Baggy Pants" are the most human people to emerge from recent writings. They don't pity themselves; they pity those who are forced to suffer from the injustices and terrors of a war they didn't bring about.



Courtesy Lincoln Journalist Worrall

You joke, swear, weep and calm yourself beside the ragged men who fought in Africa, Anzio, and the Battle of the Bulge. You are there as they toast each other before jumps, they vow revenge for a lost buddy and they write an encouraging letter home from their muddy foxholes.

You see them enter the war with fearful, young eyes, fuzzy cheeks and impatient strides. You see them leave the war with tired, sagging faces, long beards and five years of age for every month of combat. And you see some of the jumpers leave the war to enter fresh graves.

You learn that Ross Carter, who lived and wrote the story, was one of these aged youngsters who faced death bravely and faced life with a grain of salt. He was an ordinary paratrooper, with ordinary buddies, whose every-day achievements lifted them to epic fame.

Everything about the "jokers," as they called each other, was desperate—their love, their grief, their fright, their pride, their dreams of the future. And their desperation hurts you, way down deep.

Not until the epilogue, written by the author's brother, Dr. Boyd G. Carter, University professor, do you really feel the intensity of the story. That is when you discover that, after months of "hell under-fire" in Africa and Europe, the capable, young Ross Carter died of cancer in 1947.

## Stolen Goods

### Six Of 119 Journalists Know 'Commandments'

From the Arizona Kitt-Katt comes this bit of poet's philosophy. It's terrific!

Despite the preachings of the women's dean. This distressing condition survives: A oed will happily date a car— Especially if that's what he drives. Take a note fallas; they're superb in the spring.

**Pious Journalists**  
Only six of 119 freshman journalism students at Syracuse university were able to name all Ten Commandments in a surprise quiz given by a journalism prof. All of the six were girls.

**To Be Sure**  
The Granville Mercury, Glenville State, W. Va., takes nothing for granted on the part of its readers. Last week it declared: "Total full-time student enrollment has increased from 322, the first semester, total, to 332 the second semester total. This represents a net gain of 10 students over the first semester enrollment."



Courtesy Lincoln Star

## Utah Group—AAUSAF

The group's letters stand for the American Association of University Students for Academic Freedom. It's a new national organization set up at the University of Utah.

Says the group, "Our ability to understand and improve the democracy we live in is inseparable from our right to explore unorthodox ideas and divergent opinions." Maybe after all the campaigns are over on this campus, the many political groups can merge and do something similar.

**Try It**  
Though he spent 45 minutes in a pub during a three-hour exam, Princeton university student Irving Foote received one of the three highest marks in his class of 136. Leaving the room is allowed under Princeton's honor system. "As long as you're relaxed, you've got the battle half-won," commented scholar Foote.

**Amen!**  
What the student really needs is a class-free afternoon devoted completely to thinking, a Kansas State Collegian editorial has commented. Thinking—about philosophy, life, college, the army and other things which touch him. After all, the purpose of education is to teach people how to think. At least such a delegated afternoon would get rid of the guilt complexes so many poor students will be suffering if this weather continues.

## J. R. Kleinschmidt Surveys Language Department At NU

John R. Kleinschmidt visited the University language departments last week as part of an informal survey of modern language.

A member of the Grinnell college staff in Iowa, Kleinschmidt is on a grant for advancement of education. He is visiting approximately 30 colleges throughout the country to study the methods of teaching and the nature of the institutions.

"I find that the situation in the departments which I have visited at this University to be a very healthy one," Kleinschmidt said.

William K. Pfeiler, chairman of the Germanic languages and literature department, stated that they appreciate having people investigating their field who are really interested, and can thoroughly investigate the processes are representatives of the field of languages.

Kleinschmidt's grant is sponsored by the Ford foundation.

## WAC Officer Here To Recruit Women

Lieutenant Elsie Metcalf, WAC, U. S. army, will be available Thursday from 12:30 to 5 p.m. for consultation in Room 316, Union, with senior and graduate coeds who are interested in commissions in the woman's army corps.

At 5 p.m. she will show a film and discuss the opportunities offered college women as officers in the WAC's.

To be eligible to apply, women must be at least 21 years of age but less than 27 by Sept. 1, 1952. They must have either a baccalaureate degree or be a prospective graduate with senior standing. Other qualifications include: Be an unmarried citizen of the U. S. with no dependents under 18 years of age; be in excellent physical condition and have unquestionable moral integrity.

## Campus Kefauver Group Lays Plans For Campaign Work, Elects Officers

Young Democrats for Kefauver laid plans Wednesday night for bringing the Kefauver-for-president campaign to the University campus and for coordinating its activities with the Lincoln-Lancaster county organization.

Permanent officers were elected and committee chairman appointed. Officers include Larry Nordin, president; Ken Rystrom, secretary; Barbara Wylie, treasurer; Bob Reichenbach, publicity, and Jack Warwick, membership.

Mrs. Arthur L. Smith, secretary of the Lincoln-Lancaster county organization; Mrs. Robert Sorenson; and Dr. Leroy Laase, chairman of the University department of speech and dramatic art, attended the meeting as representatives of the county Kefauver-for-president organization.

Plans were made for publicizing Kefauver's March 31 University speech and for caravan through southeast Nebraska earlier in the day.

A committee was appointed to distribute campaign placards to Lincoln shopping centers. Committee consists of Hile Goodrich, Bob Reichenbach, Don Winkelman, Jack Warwick, Barbara Wylie, Betty Roessler and Bob Banks.

Kefauver's Lincoln schedule will include: March 30, Sunday Speech at Unitarian Forum, 10 a.m.

## Filings For AUF Post Close Tuesday

Applications for All University Fund booth board position are now being accepted in the AUF office, Room 306, Union.

Booth board position was left open due to the resignation of Mike Lawlor.

In order to qualify for board membership a student must have a 5.5 average and must be carrying at least 12 University hours. He must also have had experience in AUF.

Application blanks are available in the AUF office and should be turned in before Tuesday. Interviews will be scheduled at a later date.

## NU BULLETIN BOARD

**Thursday**  
YW Noon Discussion group, noon, Ellen Smith dining room, leader, Neala O'Dell.  
YW Worship Workshop, Ellen Smith southeast room, 4 p.m. leader, Phyllis Knerl.  
YW Community Tours group, Ellen Smith southeast room, 4 p.m. Jane Jackson, leader.

**Student-Faculty coffee hour**, Union faculty lounge, 4:30 p.m., Barbara Brethauer, leader.  
**YW Office staff**, Ellen Smith dining room, 5 p.m., Barbara Hershberger, leader.  
**YW Christianity and Social Problems commission**, 5 p.m., Ellen Smith northeast room. Leader, Nancy Weir, members.

**Phalanx meeting**, 7:30 p.m., in 206 Armory. All members requested to attend.

## NU Students' Midnight Menus Vary According To Whims, House Facilities

**By MARGIE SCHURMAN**  
Staff Writer  
A small but significant percentage of a student's evening is usually spent eating and just sitting around shooting the breeze with friends. Have you ever wondered about some of the things that your friends in other organized houses are consuming when they begin to feel those pangs of hunger?

A poll on what students like to eat while they are studying late at night reveals some mighty odd concoctions. Some of the more usual things seem to be coffee, cookies, candy bars, apples, oranges, Cokes, crackers, hamburgers, hot dogs and sandwiches.

Food from home also seems to rate high on the list. But after calling a few of the houses and just stating my case to whomever happened to answer the phone I also came up with a few more midnight snack ideas.

You might use some of these the next time you are staying up late at night while cramming (if you will pardon the expression) for that test you are having next day. So here goes.

At the AOPi house I didn't seem to come up with any new ideas as the coed answering the phone insisted that they were all on the DuBarry Success course.

One of the Delt's told me that he usually consumed about six cups of coffee, but that he did have a friend that liked to eat anchovie paste. (That one I would not recommend for a steady diet.)

Love Hall girls occasionally make fudge at night when they feel the need of some brain food.

The Sigma Kappa's are one of the few lucky houses with access to the left overs in their kitchen late at night. It seems as though the cooks give them the privilege of eating whatever has not been eaten at lunch

and dinner. An Alpha Chi told me that day she likes to drink a glass of warm milk. (I wonder if she had been drinking black coffee all evening.)

A Beta staunchly insisted that they did not lunch at night, but that they did feed Rita (their pet dog) some dog food. But after awhile he did tell me that sometimes he like to eat rye bread spread with mayonnaise.

Some ice milk or a hamburger seems to be tops on the list with one of the AGR's after a hard evening of "hitting the books."

## Alpha Zeta To Hold Smoker Today For Potential Members

Alpha Zeta, Ag scholastic honorary for men, will hold a smoker Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Ag Union lounge for prospective new members.

## NU Graduate Named Lincoln Jaycee Officer

Donald A. Stacy, a 1951 graduate of the University, will assume the duties of executive secretary of the Lincoln Junior Chamber of Commerce this week, according to General Manager Archie J. Baley of the Lincoln Chamber.

Stacy, a native of Ohio, was a senior manager for Coach Harry Good's varsity basketball team for three years and a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

The new executive secretary received his Bachelor of Science degree from the College of Business Administration and specialized on preparing for promotional and public relations work.

Stacy was chosen from a number of candidates for the Junior Chamber position. He will replace Richard W. Chapin, who has handled the Jaycee duties for the past 18 months. Chapin will devote his full time to Senior Chamber work, Baley concluded.

He also stated that he did not usually eat this much every evening.

At the Tri Delt house a coed told me that she was trying to diet and that she had been munching on some melba toast, but that her roommate did have some date cake that her mother had sent from home. And in another room some friends had been cooking some spaghetti and meatballs on a hot plate.

Maybe some of your late evening snacks could top these or you could add some more to the list. But every student seems to have his favorite midnight snack.

## Iranian New Year

Iranian students will celebrate the Iranian new year, 1331, not the Mohammedan new year as was stated in Tuesday's Daily Nebraskan. The celebration will be held 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Union.

The list of new members for 1952 will be selected from this group after the smoker. The smoker is to give Alpha Zeta members an opportunity to meet the prospective members and judge them on scholarship, leadership and character, which are the traits upon which Alpha Zeta members are chosen.

M. B. McCright, chairman of the faculty advisors for Alpha Zeta, will give a short talk on the organization.

Lunch will be served afterwards. Officers of Alpha Zeta are: Yeutter, chancellor; Gene Robinson, censor; Fred Hosterman, scribe; Larry Rainns, treasurer; and Art Becker, chronicler.

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