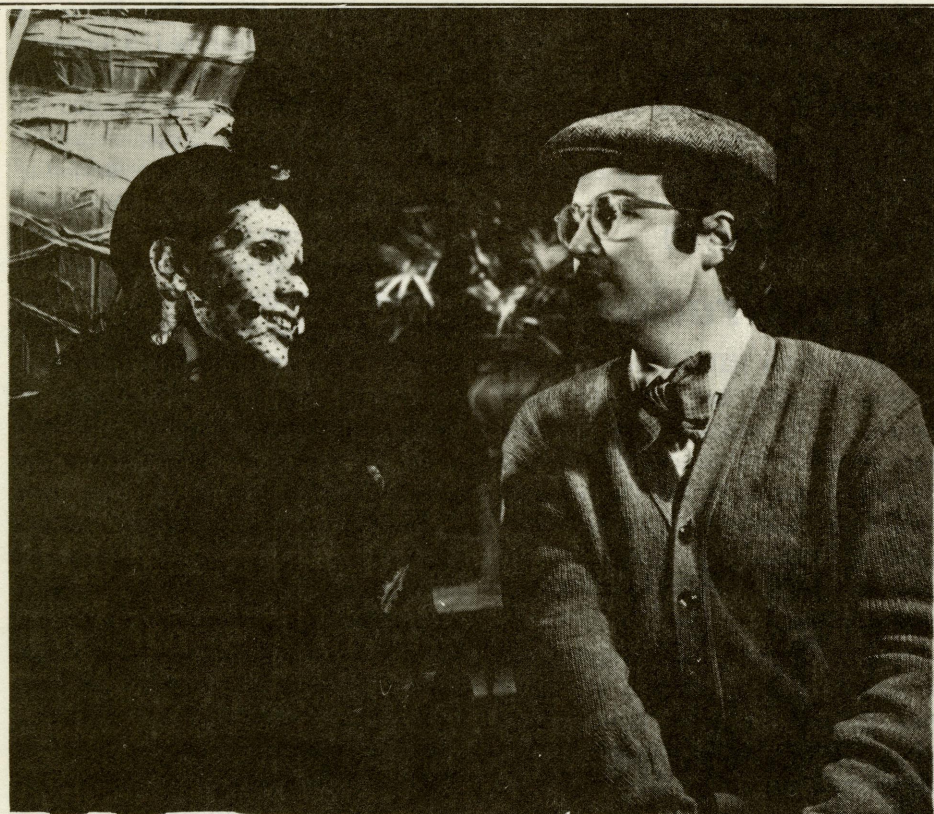


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BARBARA BRANDT, as the Lady with the Hat Box, and Vern Sutton, as Mr. Owen, chat with each other in the waiting station in "Postcard from Morocco", the Lake George Opera Festival presentation tomorrow and Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. in the PAC Main Theater. Tickets are \$2 for students, \$5 for others.

Interdisciplinary Studies Presents New Undergraduate Major Choice

An undergraduate major in interdisciplinary studies leading to a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree will be initiated during the fall semester. The proposal, under consideration for more than two years, has been approved by the College of Arts and Sciences, the Undergraduate Academic Council, the Executive Committee of the University Senate, and State University of New York.

Undergraduates may pursue a course of study which constitutes a major even though the areas of study contributing to the major are found in more than one department. To participate, they must display evidence of intellectual maturity and a capability for independent work. Also, they must be able to defend their proposals in terms of overall academic goals. The major may be composed of up to 25% independent study.

Black Ensemble To Stage Play

"Occupation", a play from the black experience, begins a week's run at the Arbor Hill Community Center on Saturday. It is presented by SUNYA's Black Experience Ensemble, Inc. Performances will be at 8:45 each night through Friday, Aug. 4.

The play is written by Mars Hill and directed by Daniel Barton. Both are students here. Members of the cast from SUNYA include Gail Edmonds, Donnell Underwood, and Victor Collier.

Tickets are priced at \$1.50 each and may be obtained on campus at the EOP Office, ULB 94, or at the Arbor Hill Community Center box office. The center is located at Lark Street and Second Street in Albany. For further information, call IV 2-6683.

Among examples of areas that transcend traditional academic departmental lines are linguistics, urban studies, and environmental studies.

The study of environmental problems is particularly applicable. Paul Bulger, who has chaired the ad hoc committee for environmental studies, notes, "this definitely is interdisciplinary in nature. Environmental problems necessitate a person educated across a broad spectrum, because the problems are not confined to one field of study."

The new interdisciplinary major will allow faculty members, whose training and interest qualify them, to develop a program of studies which cuts across present departmental lines with the opportunity to offer such a major to students. Under the new program the major proposed must be made up of coherent studies of at least 36, but no more than 66, credits involving course work in at least two departments.

Students desiring to initiate a proposal must have completed at least 30 credits of college work. Then follow program development, approval of faculty members, and submission of a signed proposal to the appropriate office and committee.

Under the new offering there may also be faculty-initiated proposals. There are detailed procedures to follow leading to approval. Students electing to major in faculty-initiated interdisciplinary majors will not be required to submit separate proposals. They may be admitted to the major by the dean upon recommendation of the faculty coordinator of the project.

The Interdepartmental Studies Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences will have charge of approving proposals. Currently, copies of the detailed procedures are being processed. More detailed information is available in the Office of the Associate Dean for Humanities.

President Announces Plans For University Open House

Plans for a University Open House have been announced by President Benezet in a letter to all deans, directors, and department chairmen. The event, which is intended to acquaint the community and the people in the surrounding area with the university, has been titled Community-University Day and is scheduled for Oct. 21.

During the spring, a small ad hoc study committee considered the feasibility of the project. The date, which is the same as the annual Homecoming Weekend, was determined with the cooperation of the student and alumni chairmen of that day's events.

A steering committee including members of the faculty, student body, alumni, and administrative officers will serve as a planning - coordinating body for the day. University members who have been invited by the president to serve on the committee are: Anne Agresta, student; Neil Brown, student affairs; John Buckhoff, physical plant; Sorrell Chesin, university affairs, committee chairman; Justine Davidson, academic affairs; Nathan Gottschalk, music department; Harry Hamilton, atmospheric sciences; Florence Hochstader, student; Louis Jordan, student; Victor Looper, alumni; William Mulvey, educational communications; Paul Wheeler, College of General Studies; Jerold Zuckerman, research. H. David Van Dyck, community relations, will serve as executive secretary for the committee.

A community advisory board will be established, comprised of prominent members of the community and representatives from the university and university related groups such as the Alumni Association.

"Community-University Day: a Campus Open House" is intended to strengthen

the link between the university and its public constituency. It will provide the opportunity for the university community to engage the larger community in pleasurable and mutually interesting activities.

Events proposed for the day include musical performances and demonstrations, art exhibits, scientific displays and demonstrations, athletic and field events, and guided walking tours of the campus.

Arena Theatre Set for 'Trial'

"The Trial", second 1972 production of the revived Summer Theatre, will be presented Wednesday-Saturday in the PAC Arena Theatre. Clinton J. Atkinson, visiting professor from Vassar College, is directing the play.

Written by Franz Kafka, "The Trial" has been translated to the stage by French novelist Andre Gide and actor-director Jean-Louis Barrault. It portrays Joseph K, a minor cog in the framework of a super-bureaucracy, who is arrested for a "crime" he has not committed. As Joseph K travels from arrest to execution, Kafka paints a portrait of totalitarianism and its systematic destruction of freedom.

Ron Vawter plays Joseph K in the Summer Theatre production. Other members of the cast include Lillian Greene, well-known Albany actress, Stephen Aminoff, Jaik Schubert, and Allan Cooper, Jr.

Jarka Burian is producing "The Trial," tickets for which may be purchased for \$2.50 each at the PAC box office, noon-3 p.m. weekdays and from 7 p.m. nights of the performance. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m.

Three Men Named To Assume New Academic Leadership Roles

Three new academic designations - an acting dean, an associate dean, and a department chairman - have been announced by President Benezet.

William K. Holstein, formerly of the Harvard University faculty, is serving as acting dean of the School of Business. Melvin K. Bers, chairman of the Department of Economics, is the new associate dean in the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences. Frederick H. Truscott, vice chairman of the Department of Biological

Art Exhibit Opens

Two exhibitions by candidates for the M.A. degree in studio art will open today in the Art Gallery. The artists are Donald Kingston and Jane Kirstel. Both prints and drawings by the two will be on exhibit.

The Art Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The exhibitions will close on Friday, Aug. 4.

Sciences, has been promoted to department chairman.

Dr. Holstein began his new duties July 1 and will assume the positions of professor and associate dean in the School of Business Sept. 1. He will continue as acting dean, pending the results of a search committee for a new dean to succeed W. Warren Haynes, who passed away Apr. 18.

At Harvard, Dr. Holstein most recently served as sub-program chairman of the first year Master of Business Administration program in the Graduate School of Business Administration. He had been at Harvard since 1964, prior to which he had held several positions in the Krannert Graduate School of Industrial Administration, Purdue University.

Dr. Bers, a SUNYA faculty member since 1965, replaces acting associate dean Kendall Birr; while Dr. Truscott, who joined the university in 1958, succeeds Robert D. Allen in biology.

New Grants To Encourage Improvement of Teaching

A Committee on Grants for the Improvement of Undergraduate Instruction will hold its first meeting tomorrow. The committee has been formed to help SUNYA faculty members take advantage of a new State University-wide program of faculty grants for improving undergraduate instruction.

Stated objective of the grants is "to encourage and support research and development of instructional techniques related to the applicant's personal instructional responsibilities rather than research applicable to general problems of instruction." Awards will range from \$800 to \$2,000 and will be valid for 18 months following announcement of the grant.

Functions of the local SUNYA committee will be to stimulate faculty interest in the awards, assist in the development of proposals, and forward them to a Central Awards Committee which will make the final determination of grant recipients.

Serving on the committee are Donald Birn, history; Craig Henrikson, anthropology; Richard Kelly, biology; Hedi McKinley, social welfare; James Powers, educational psychology; Jonathan Knight, political science; and John Reilly, English.

The timetable for the first series of awards calls for all applications to reach the Central Awards Committee by Oct. 1. Vice President for Academic Affairs Phillip Sirotkin has asked that the local committee make its report no later than Sept. 15. Announcement of the awards will be made by Jan. 1, 1973.

Grant monies may be used to buy materials, pay a substitute to release the faculty member for more time on his project, and/or subsidize him during the summer to work on his project.

In making the final awards, the Central Awards Committee has been instructed to keep in mind that "the ultimate beneficiary of the grants is to be the student." Priority will be given to those grant proposals which show promise of benefitting the greatest number of students.

Summer Session Figures Show 60% of Registrants Are Graduates

According to figures released by Paul A. Saimond, interim director of summer sessions, there are approximately 5,000 students registered for the current session. Of that number some 3,000 are graduate students or students in general studies who hold bachelor's degrees.

Within the estimated 2,000 enrolled undergraduates, 1,143 are upper division students. Two hundred twenty-seven are students in the College of General Studies, and 467 were admitted as special students from other colleges. Of the latter, most are persons with homes in the area who want to accelerate their programs by attending summer classes here. They represent about 9 to 10 per cent of the student enrollment and about 25 per cent of the undergraduate enrollment. Enrollment is down about 10 per cent over last year's total.

Despite the reduction of summer

The Patrol Room will remain *closed evenings* during the summer. It will be open for buffet lunch 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. . . A *benefit concert* for Red Cross flood relief will be presented at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar. The concert, which will feature artists from four states, is co-sponsored by the Department of Environmental Conservation's Bureau of Education and the Pickin' and Singin' Gatherin' of Northeastern New York. . . Richard Orville, ASRC professor, will speak on "*Lightning Through a Lens*" at 8:30 Tuesday evening at the ASRC Whiteface Mountain Field Station, Memorial Highway, Wilmington. . . Teddy Brunius, who was on the SUNYA faculty last year, has published two *full-length articles*, with photographs, about the university in *Upsala Nya Fidning*, a Swedish newspaper. . . The Board of Regents has recommended that the U.S. Commissioner of Education *approve 67 applications* for matching federal funds. Two of the applications recommended for approval were from SUNYA: one for \$40,000 for "laboratory and other special equipment" and one for \$21,112 for "closed-circuit TV equipment" . . . The library has accepted from Joseph F. Zacek, history, a *collection of personal correspondence* and other papers of the late William G. Bannon, a Hoosick Falls attorney and a representative of the U.S. War Department in the Far East immediately after World War I. . . SUNY Central Office and the State Education Department will host a *workshop on higher education* here Aug. 29. . . A *closed circuit TV course* on Hebrew Ulpan was given on campus June 26-July 20. . . Ann E. Prentice has been *appointed* assistant professor in the School of Library and Information Science. She has been a lecturer here and at Pratt Institute, and was director of the Kingston Area Public Library. She received her doctorate from Columbia University last month. . .

CORRECTION: Mary Goggin, not Lois Williams, is Department of Classics chairman. The July 10 *Tribune* erroneously listed the latter.

Literary Critic Subject of Talk

"Reflections on the Death of a Critic: Edmund Wilson" will be the subject of a talk by Arthur Collins, professor of English, in the CC Assembly Hall at 8 p.m. tomorrow. It will be a consideration of what Edmund Wilson represented in modern literary criticism.

Dr. Collins will examine the relationships between life and literature, between art and criticism, and between academic criticism and literary journalism. There is no admission charge.

Several other events are scheduled this week by Student Association's Summeract program. The film *On the Waterfront* will be shown tonight at 7 in LC 7. *Diary of a Mad Housewife* and *The Tramp* will be shown Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in LC 7.

An evening of bridge is scheduled to begin Wednesday at 7 in the CC Card Lounge. An ice cream social will be held Thursday from 12 noon to 2 p.m. in the CC gardens.

Open Education

The second of two sessions of an open education summer workshop in curriculum reform began last week at Alton Farnsworth Middle School, Guilderland and will continue through Aug. 4. The first session was held June 26-July 17 at the University of Manchester, England.

The workshop is co-sponsored by the SUNYA Department of Curriculum and Instruction and the University of Manchester. The Manchester session was concerned with on-site observation and critical examination of open education; the Albany session is concentrating on planning and production.

Course directors are Alexinia Y. Baldwin, curriculum and instruction, and W.G.A. Rudd, University of Manchester.

'Round the Campus

courses by about 100 and faculty by 50, in contrast with last year, the total summer faculty numbers about 270 and there are about 600 courses offered. Said Director Saimond, "I feel that we have maintained a quality program that is educationally viable even though we did experience fiscal cutbacks in our budget for the summer."

There still will be additional registration in special programs such as the Adult Basic Education Program. It is the only one of its kind being federally funded anywhere in the United States this year. Twenty-eight states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands will be represented among those registered for credit in the institute which begins July 31.

Other special programs include the minorities instruction seminar in Germany conducted by SUNYA faculty and courses such as the Driver Training Institute, the Air Resources Seminar, and the Institute in Bilingual Education.

Mr. Saimond said that the regular SUNYA faculty members have been augmented by 30 visiting faculty "who are highly respected in their various fields." He also commented on the serious nature of most of the students. "Many of the graduate students are people who are fully employed during the year. The undergraduates who are here, for the most part, are trying to accelerate in their programs. The emphasis traditionally has been on assisting students to accelerate their work."

22 Donors Give Extra Measure

Twenty-two members of the SUNYA staff have been recognized by the NYS Department of Civil Service for their contribution of a gallon or more of blood to the Red Cross. That represents eight separate donations of one pint (one unit) of blood each. No more than five units may be donated in a single 12-month period.

The multiple donors are Wayne Allen, John Aronson, Harold Brink, Steven Brown, Francis Conron, Harriet Eames, Thomas Flemming, John Gregor, Rodney Hart, Harry Hamilton, Robert Hoffman, Richard Kelly, Donald King, Melissa McCandless, Earl Nagle, Joseph Norton, Harry Raymond, Robert Rice, William Schieffelin, Lynn Secor, Dwight Smith, and Alfred Wolff.

The Red Cross Blood Center on Hackett Boulevard in Albany has been operated under extended hours during the summer in an effort to avoid a slump in donations and to supply increasing needs for blood and blood components. The hours are 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays; 1-7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays; and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Fridays.

Faculty Notes

MORRIS ESON, psychology, is the author of *Psychological Foundations of Education (Second Edition)* published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston. A *Study Guide* to accompany the book has been co-authored by him and Mauritz Johnson and Theodore Bayer, education.

Campus Exchange

FOR RENT OR SALE: 4-bedroom house, 1½ baths, den, playroom, fireplace, double garage, 100 x 150 lot, minutes from SUNYA; \$35,000. Will rent unfurnished for \$325 per month plus utilities, available Sept. 1, references required. Call Helen Gabay, 7-6575 c. 456-3686 evenings.

FOR SALE: 3-bedroom brick ranch house in Elmsere, living room, dining room, kitchen, bath, breezeway, garage, ½ acre lot, washer and dryer; near stores, school, bus; \$30,000. Call Mrs. Edmund Van Wormer, 439-4265. . . . 1970 Toyota Mark II, standard, AM-FM radio, 4 new tires with snows. Call Paul, 438-4153. . . . Large oak desk, student bed, portable dishwasher. Call 7-4623 or 439-5080 evenings.

WANTED: Female professor needs living quarters near campus for the academic year. Call Mr. and Mrs. Sun, 374-0995.

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WILLIAM FENTON, anthropology, is the author of three articles: "The New York State Wampum Collection: The Case for the Preservation of Cultural Treasures" in *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*; "The Iroquois Confederacy in the Twentieth Century: A Case Study of the Theory of Lewis H. Morgan in Ancient Society," reprinted in *The Emergent Native Americans: a Reader in Cultural Contact*, published by Little, Brown & Co.; and "Return to the Longhouse" in *Crossing Cultural Boundaries: the Anthropological Experience*, published by the Chandler Publishing Co.

RENO KNOUSE, business education, is the author of an article entitled "Action Programs for DE Research" in the Winter 1972 issue of *DE Today*.

AKIHO MIYASHIRO, geology, has been elected a Foreign and Commonwealth Member of the Geological Society of London in recognition of his "outstanding work in metamorphic petrology."

9 Positions Available

Information about the following campus job openings may be obtained from the Personnel Office, 7-3923.

- P-72-94 Programmer/Analyst
- P-72-95 Instructor, Hispanic and Italian Studies
- P-72-96 Lecturer, social and behavioral sciences
- P-72-97 Lecturer, Puerto Rican studies
- P-72-98 Executive television producer
- P-72-99 Admissions counselor
- P-72-100 Assistant grants coordinator
- P-72-101 Director of research, campus laboratory school
- P-72-102 Asst. professor, geological sciences