

CO-ED CAPERS

By Marion Morrison

First in every conversation this week is the Sadie Hawkins dance. Edith MacFarlane and her committee Mari Rowan, Blanche Law, Fran Clements and Ruth Crimmins, have been working hard and a co-educational dance is shaping up. Programmes will be on sale around the reading room today. Paid shirts are requisites, both for boys and girls. The dance starts at nine so all you boys be sure and be ready by 8.30 at least.

Last Friday morning about thirty of the co-eds went down to the Red Cross Rooms and rolled bandages. We want to thank Mrs. Hedley Murray and Mrs. A. C. Slipp for opening the rooms especially for us and showing us what to do. We think that the experiment was successful and the morning was both interesting and profitable.

On Saturday, November 5, the alumnae are entertaining at the home of Mrs. Russell Evans for the wives of the faculty and the co-eds. Because of the number of girls, the Seniors and Freshettes are requested to go from 4 to 5 and the Juniors and Sophettes, between the hours of 5 and 6.

Here's an item of interest to all girls interested in basketball. Practices start this Tuesday. Captain Mavis DeLong and manager Frannie MacLean will welcome all the regular and any newcomers. The time hasn't been definitely decided yet. (Continued on page five)

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LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR

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WATTS in PERSIA

In the class of '43 many will remember the Watt brothers—John, a civil engineer and Roy, a geologist. They are now doing important war work with the Bahrain Petroleum Company on the Bahrain Island in the Persian Gulf, where the white population consists only of American and British men doing this type of work. Before leaving, the boys spent a considerable time in the Southern States on course. The following are extracts from John's letters.

"It was a long trip out. I came part of the way by air, which helped to break the monotony. The temperature runs up between 110 and 118 degrees with very high humidity (July). However at night it cools off very nicely. You cannot exert yourself very much because it makes you too tired. However when the cool weather comes in September, we will be able to go in for some of the sports around here.

We have our club, swimming pool, American bar, tennis courts, rifle range. Every so often the company has tours for us and we get a chance to see some of the island. There are a few native villages around here and they are quite interesting. The houses are quite small and nearly all are made of mud and straw. When you come to visit, the women leave. They all wear long black veils anyway, and if you don't look at their feet, you can't tell whether they are coming or going.

The natives do beautiful pottery and silver work in this country. This place is the heart of the pearl fishing industry and some of these days I am going out with the crew to watch them dive for pearls. An old burial mound near here is a place of interest. It is about 60 feet high and 100 feet in diameter. It dates back to 1500 B.C. To go down inside, you have to descend 20' in a hole in the top of the mound. Then you can enter a

tunnel and after getting a little dirty you end up in the crypt—which is lined with rock and off to each side there are niches where the people are buried upright. There is also an old Portuguese Fort that is worth a visit. It was built when the Portuguese had possession about 1500 A.D. It is quite remarkable how such a strong fort was built without the use of modern tools.

I went down to the city here a short time ago and walked through the market place. All the shops are open air and on some streets they are semi-closed in. Several streets are so narrow that they can be roofed over to keep out the hot sun.

The money here is in rupees and annas, one rupee being about \$3.00 and an anna .02. I found a good pith sun helmet for 12 rupees and after a bit of haggling, got it for ten. Here you never pay what is asked until you have tried to beat them down. This is lots of fun and since we know about three or four words in Arabic, most of the haggling is done by sign language.

With all the comforts here there is a great shortage of the female variety of the human race. I don't think I have seen a white woman to talk to since I left the States. However, we have the movies and they are ever well attended.

Right now the natives are observing a religious month known as Ramadan (in August). During this period they eat nothing between sun-down and sun-rise. They are not even to drink anything. I feel sorry for them as they really suffer in the heat. When the holiday ends next month there will be a big dance and all the rest.

The natives don't choose a wife here. They buy their wives and can have four at a time. When a young native has saved up enough money he just goes out and buys a wife. Roy saw a lot of places I didn't see. He spent some time in Cairo and visited Algiers.

We are working from seven to three-thirty. The heat makes you terribly tired and if you don't get at least eight hours sleep, you feel exhausted the next day.

The natives finished their religious fast of a month's duration, last Monday. The end of the fast is like Christmas to them, and all the natives dress up that day. I had a bright orange shirt, I bought in a moment of weakness before I left the States. I gave this to our houseboy who is called "Abdul". He pinned it up here and there to make it fit, and with it he wore a smile like Rochester. The natives are extremely fond of color. We were advised not to go in to town that night as we are considered infidels.

Funny thing out here you miss the trees and the fall colors. Home you don't think much about it, but when you have to look at sand for a while it is a different thing.

What was initiation like this year and how is the new crop at U.N.B.?"

DIDJAEVERSEE

Eric Teed when he wasn't shooting himself?

Don Boyaner wearing a nice conservative tie?

Bob McGowan in German Class on time?

Alice MacKenzie do a dry-land dive?

Roy Tower vote Conservative?

Leila and Coot tête-à-tête in the Library?

John Baxter dating the women? (voluntarily)

Eller MacLaggan without Jackie Pickard?

Shirley and Andrews at the show?

AND DIDJAEVERSEE—The Beaverbrook chimes in tune? Betty Dougherty sing "Sweet Genevieve"?

Jackie Pickard recite "Dan McGrew"? (This is a masterpiece) How much time Harry McGleaves spends in the Library when Bobbie is working(?)?

CAMPUS PERSONALITIES



BOB EVANS

With the Fall Formal coming off next week, we take pleasure in featuring the maestro who will be responsible for making that highlight of the fall term an absolutely destined success — Bob Evans — President of the Social Committee. Bob was also President in his Sophomore year, and a member of the Committee last year. This committee entails lots of hard work and worry and it deserves lots of credit for those 'a good time was had by all' features.

Bob's slide-rule tucked underneath his arm betrays the fact he is an Engineer—Electrical.

Bob has had a hand in all the formal for the last couple of years, for the Victory Ball last year and the Red Cross Ball the year before, came under his domain, as he was Chairman of the War Effort Committee in both his Sophomore and Junior years. This is only one of the functions of the Committee, though, which demands much ingenuity, and has been very successful under Bob's direction.

A lover of music, Bob has been a supporter of the Glee Club in his 1, 2, 3 and 4 years and with his clarinet has contributed greatly to the college band for the past couple of years.

Bob has also made his niche in dramatics, and we can well remember his fine performances in "The Wedding" and "The Minuet". A supporter of the club in his 1 and 2 years, Bob rose to Vice-President in 3.

Nor has Bob forsaken the field of sport, but we find him out there tossing in Interclass and Intramural Basketball.

As an AI Master of Ceremonies, you're tops, Bob, and congrats for all the social functions you have helped so largely to make a success.

It won't be easy to fill your place in conducting the Freshman Reception when it rolls around next fall.

And by the way Mavis, what did you want that candle for Tuesday night?

"One man in New York dies every minute."

"Yeah, I'd like to see him."

I wish I were a river so I could follow my course and still be in bed.

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