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## Entertainment Program In Full Swing

The MCC summer entertainment program, under the direction of Gwenth Vaughn, dean of women, continues at a fast pace with next Saturday's trip to Xochimilco for boating and dancing, one of the highlights.

The trip will be from 12:00 to 5:00 so that all may return in time for "Joan of Lorraine". Students desiring to go with the school group must meet Leon (Schwartz) Helguera at 10:15 a. m., at the Zocalo, in front of the cathedral. Transportation will cost \$ 0.60 (Mex.).

All students making the trip on their own, the Dean of Women says, should join the school group at the Plaza in Xochimilco at high noon. Students arranging their own transportation may go by car or street-car.

Those desiring lunches must arrange with the Patio Snakbar before Friday afternoon. The lunches, costing \$2.75, will be distributed in Xochimilco.

Dress informally, is the advice issued by the Dean's office, and it adds, Cuernavaca skirts and blouses are approved. We don't think she means that last for the men.

## Professors Make Quick Trip To The States

Dr. Charles Scanlon and Dr. Helene Gaubert made a quick trip to San Antonio, Texas, Thursday, to straighten out little matters connected with teaching in a foreign country.

They travelled by plane, received about three hours of sleep during their trip, and returned to Mexico in time for the Feria at the University club, Friday night.

Tickets for Joan of Lorraine are on sale at the College book store and Vit Gentry, libreria custodian, is aching to sell them. If you miss this summer theatre production, you'll be the one to ache with regret.

## Author Gives Book To Library

It appears that the fame of Dr. Helene Gaubert, head of MCC's drama department, has preceded her down here.

Miss Gaubert, who has been here since only the beginning of the summer quarter, was browsing through a downtown bookstore a few days ago. She came upon a book written in French, "La Dramaturgie de Shakespeare". The author was Helene Gaubert.

So she promptly purchased the book and presented it to MCC's library.

## Making Merry at The Feri-a



Gaily costumed (and some not so costumed) guests at the MCC "Feria" at the University club, Friday night.

Photo by Gene Bonfillo.

## School 'Feria' Big Success

By JOHN WETHERBEE

Mexico City College's "Feria" at the University Club last Friday night got an additional dosage of "romance" that it hand't bargained for when candlelight was added to the "ambiente" of mariachis, colorful "typical" costumes, charros, and marimba music.

The candlelight was made necessary by one of the periodical electricity shutdowns caused by the current power shortage in the city.

Nevertheless, the 500 or more MCCachos and MCCachas didn't let the lack of light stop them from having a time worth remembering.

Although somewhat out of season, but nonetheless rollickingly enjoyed, was the breaking of the two "piñatas". Many of the beautifully costumed young ladies were promised tall, dark and handsome "jovenes" by the famous fortune teller, Marta Silvia. Her predictions appeared correct in the dancing that followed.

A marimba orchestra played for the dancing, which featured the variety of dances that only Mexico can offer. The dancing was interrupted long enough to award prizes to the couple with the most original Mexican costume, as well as to the couple with the best makeshift Mexican costume (made up from such sundry articles as bed sheets, bottles, straw mattresses, etc.).

A Spasmodic flow of beer in the patio bar made it necessary for some of our veteran tipplers to satisfy themselves from time to time with ginger ale and lemon soda. The floor show featured mariachis and a rope act, after which dancing was resumed until 1:30 a. m. Saturday.

## Students Visit Geology Institute

Students of Dr. Federico K. G. Mullerried's geology 123 class paid a visit to the Instituto Pan Americano de Geografia E Historia last Thursday and saw the only relief map of the Mexico basin, built to scale, in existence.

The large map, showing rivers, railroads, lakes, mountains, valleys and cities, took 10 years to build and is composed of thousands of small blocks, placed one upon another to an accurate scale.

A smaller relief map of Mexico, also the only one in existence, took some two years to build. On it the students clearly saw the continental divide between the northern and southern continents. However, as Dr. Mullerried pointed out, it is not a true divide because the mountains do not extend to either ocean but drop a few miles from the shores on both sides.

The Institute is under the direction of Dr. Pedro C. Sanchez, Mexico's leading geographer, Dr. Sanchez is also chief director of the two branches of the Institute, one in Washington, D. C., and the other in Rio.

Dr. Mullerried, who lectured to his students at the Institute, is in the research department at the National university, and has spent about 25 years in the field. He has explored in Southern Mexico and in Guatemala, and in 1937-38 was in New Guinea.

While in the latter place he and his companion were deserted by their bearers, surrounded by natives, and threatened with death.

Dr. Mullerried drove off the savages, and the two of them found their bearers, took away their guns and indulged in a bit of punishment. Of the 50 bearers, each explored knocked down 25.

This Dr. Mullerried pointed out, is just one of the things run up (Continued on page Three)

## "Joan of Lorraine" Ready For Friday Night Opening

Members of the cast of "Joan of Lorraine", the Mexico City College summer Theatre production which will be presented for three nights starting Friday, are putting the finishing touches on their rehearsals this week. The play will be staged at the Theatre of the Sindicato de Telefonistas, Calzada Villalongin 50, about two blocks from the corner of Insurgentes and Reforma.

## 3000 Veterans Study Abroad

Veterans Administration today announced that more than 3,000 World War II veterans are studying abroad under the educational provisions of the GI bill.

A VA report as of May 19, showed that the ex-GIs are enrolled in 322 foreign institutions in 34 countries. The Philippine Republic with 1,411 veterans heads the list. Canada is second with 571 veterans.

VA attributed the large number of students in the Philippines to the fact that most are natives of that country who served in the U. S. armed forces during the war.

### Britain Leads Europe

Of the 13 European countries, in which 662 veterans are studying, 217 students were reported in the United Kingdom and 175 in France. Switzerland was third with 141 students. Only one student was reported for Spain. Greece and Norway accounted for two each.

The number of student veterans in other European countries are: Belgium 5, Czechoslovakia 3, Denmark 3, Eire 19, Italy 35, Netherlands 5 and Sweden 54.

### 83 Percent in Mexico

Approximately 83 percent of the veterans studying in Latin American countries are enrolled in Mexico. The border country accounted for 231 of 279 students in this group.

The number of veterans in other Latin American countries are: Ar- (Continued on page six)

## Legion To Discuss Conquistador Editorial

Tomorrow's meeting of Alan Seeger Post No. 2, American Legion, at the American club, it has been announced, will discuss the editorial appearing in the first issue of EL CONQUISTADOR beginning, "While many veterans dislike the Legion as a whole..."

Cards mailed to Legion members stated that Mexico City College students would be present to defend the editorial.

The editorial in question which urged readers to support the Legion Fourth of July raffle apparently angered some members of the local Legion post and it was decided to ask the EL CONQUISTADOR editor for an explanation.

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Since "Joan of Lorraine", Maxwell Anderson's latest play, is a play within a play, every member of the cast portrays several roles.

For instance, Patricia Elliott plays the title role of Joan as well as the actress Mary Grey; Annette Meckel is Tessie, the assistant stage manager as well as Aureo, the king's favorite, and Saint Margaret. Earl Sennett portrays the villainous of France as well as the actor Les Ward; John O'Boyle is both the director of the play and the Inquisitor in the trial scene.

Other members of the cast are Seth Spaulding, Consuelo Apartein, Edward Yakin, Reynaldo Rivera, George Church, David Pecinpah, Elmo Robinson, Mary Alice Johnson, Paul Edmundson, Santiago Rivera and Marshall Garrett. Dr. Theodore Apstein, visiting professor and director of the Summer Theatre, is directing the play.

## Nothing Like Good Excuses

Dean of Women Gwenth Vaughn has both her B. A. and M. A., but she is learning more every day in her position as giver-of-excuses. And boy what she learns!

She has not attempted to name any one excuse as having a certain something more than others, but to this reporter's mind the one at the top of the list is that by Ruth Ann Johnston. Miss Johnston neither claims to be an obstetrician nor even a plain M. D., but she was absent one morning delivering her maid's baby. Not only should Ruth get an excuse (which she did), in our opinion, but should receive an extra hour or so of credit, but in just what subject we're not sure.

In addition to the usual run of excuses offered, the Dean has heard, that one man "was capable of coming, but hardly thought it was feasible". Others plainly stated that dysentery was to blame.

Then the fellow who got lost gave a novel excuse (and having gotten off the main drag once or twice we can sympathize with him).

Another deserving fellow was the one who took his mother-in-law to the border though of course we don't know HIS mother-in-law.

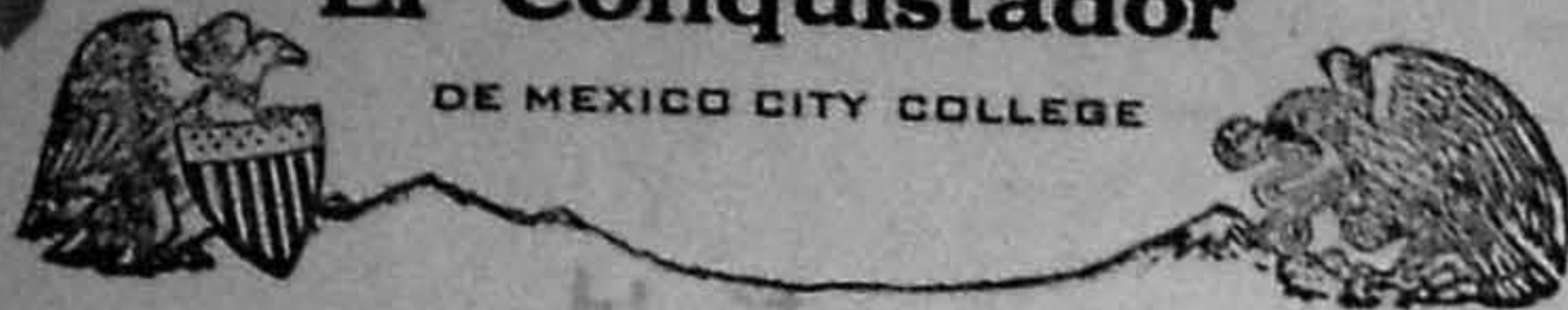
Other excuses range from left-over malaria cases to museum

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## New Deal For Public

In an article in last week's issue of EL CONQUISTADOR, Ed Winkes, former CIO publicity man, gave labor's opinion (as he saw it) of the new Taft-Hartley Labor bill. In all fairness, we believe the other side of the story should also be told.

**We make no brief for big business nor for the abuses practiced by big business when opportunities offer. The writer, having been a former laboring man (member CIO) and small business man, needs not have the dangers of uncontrolled big business pointed out to him.**

Labor has had an uphill fight for years and years to win proper returns for itself. Only Unions can protect labor, and keep the gains they have made. But—and it is a big but—uncontrolled labor is no more advantageous for our country than uncontrolled business. Abuses by either must not be permitted.

For 12 years labor has been overly protected. The CIO has been favored over the AFL and both have been favored over independent unions. Labor has been permitted, figuratively speaking, to thumb its nose not only at business but at the general public as well. Sewell Avery, president of Montgomery Ward, was unceremoniously (and rightly so) dumped out of his office when he tried to defy the United States Government. John L. Lewis, was petted and pampered when he did the same.

**When cattlemen, in hopes of higher beef prices, stopped putting their cattle on the market, our government called their action a 'republican plot', un American, and so forth. When the miners decide not to mine coal, that is an entirely different thing, they are merely trying to protect their own interests and the public be damned.**

A fed-up congress rightly decided it is time to bring the unions under control. The Taft-Hartley bill may be going a little far. Some of the clauses may actually work harm on labor. When shown to do this they can be, and should be changed. There are however, a lot of good things in the bill that should not be disposed of.

Under the new bill employers have rights under the NLRB where before only unions had any benefit. Now wild-cat strikers may be fired. Employers again have the right of free speech and may present their own side of an argument to their employees. There will now be a total of 140 days before, a strike can begin in which time it may be settled without injuries to the public.

Workers still have the right to organize into unions. Union shops are still approved, though a minority of workers cannot force the majority into a union of which they disapprove. Employers still have no right to fire a worker for union activity. Independent unions, if not dominated by employers, now have rights which were before denied them.

We believe there is no need for labor and labor sympathizers to immediately get hot under the collar and cry "slave labor." The bill has corrected many abuses needing correction. Unfair clauses can and will be stricken from the bill but the good need not be discarded with the bad. No longer is labor an unwanted step child with no power to right its wrongs, no longer can sweat shops be forced on labor without its approval. Labor is strong and powerful—and needs to be—and can thus see that the Taft-Hartley bill is revised where it needs revising without ending it all and giving us another decade of uncontrolled rule by labor barons as bad as the old time rule by economic royalists.

## Third Party Threat

Should Thomas Dewey's swing through the west line up enough delegates to give him the republican nomination



NEARLY EVERYONE HAS THE EL CONQUISTADOR HABIT

on the first ballot, then Thomas Dewey is likely to be the next president. Henry Wallace is likely to be the man responsible for a republican victory.

**The threat to form a third party composed of the left-wing democrats has gone beyond the stage of hints. Definite plans are being laid, workers in all States are being enlisted and campaign funds raised. It bodes no good for President Truman.**

Despite Truman's veto of the labor bill one less restrictive than he had advocated at the time of the railroad strike—the left-wing, or new deal elements of the country are not fooled. Truman is no left-winger.

Mr. Wallace, heir to Roosevelt's new deal, will, with the backing of the Progressive Citizens of America, make a fight for delegates to the Democratic National convention in an effort to keep the nomination from Mr. Truman.

**If Mr. Truman is nominated the present plans of the PCA is to put a third party in the field with Wallace heading the ticket. By that time, midsummer, it would be too late to do effective work toward getting a ticket on the ballot in some States.**

**For that reason work on the third party is already underway.**

A third party, hacking away at labor, minority and left-wing groups would be of immense help in electing republicans. Mr. Wallace is fully aware of this, and he has few illusions about the chance of a third party electing a president. But in the present mood the group backing PCA feel that a republican president would be no more unsatisfactory than Mr. Truman.

**Henry Wallace can never forget that only the lack of an approving nod from President Roosevelt kept him from now being in the chair occupied by President Truman.**

He will try to capture the Democratic convention—which is almost impossible for a man opposing the incumbent candidate—and upon failing, do an impressive walkout of the party and like Theodoro Roosevelt organize his own bunch.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### STOP RUSSIA NOW

Dear Editor:

Not only is Russia not satisfied to confine her 'nose' to the UNO, but she is trying to obstruct every chance of world economic recovery by continuing her practice of vetoing everything that she dislikes. I'm no red baiter, nor have I any objection to the Russian type government—in Russia, but when any country continues to block international progress just so she can breed her type government on world misery, then I say it's time to stop her. And it's time to stop her now.

I don't want to spend another four years in the army, nor anything like that, but we might as well make up our mind that we're either going to toady to Russia or oppose her. If we oppose her we're going to have to go all the way, so let's do it now, not wait for our kid brothers to do the job.

A Fed-Up Vet.

### FELLOW TRAVELERS

Dear Editor:

I don't understand this complaint I hear all the time about 'fellow travelers'. Is there any law against any man in our country believing whatever he pleases, so long as he doesn't believe in armed revolution—and as far as that goes we've never signed away

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### FROM THE Desk of the Dean PAUL V. MURRAY

It seems to me that one of the most interesting things that has hapened in the whole short history of M. C. C. is the expedition made to La Quemada in Zacatecas by Frank and Margaret Wilson, Maurice McClane and Peter Goode. The brief account of the trip, given in El Conquistador last week, only palely reflects what our four students experienced during the spring quarter term. It is my hope that some day soon all of us who are interested in the great fields of anthropology and archeology will field workers tell us more about what they saw and did during their three months' work among skeletons, ruined temples, and diggings of all kinds.

About the only people in Mexico who won't be seriously affected by the new governmental regulations concerning the importation of luxuries—autos, furs, jewelry, etc.—are our own veterans. Most of the boys hand't planned on purchasing Cadillacs at 28,000 pesos and the girls are definitely not interested in mink coats at 10,000 pesos each. (Guess the old uniform shirts and pants can do another six months and the Wacs and Wacs can still get by on what they had left over when the last shot was fired).

Mr. Ed Winkes surely dished it out hot and heavy last week on the Taft-Hartely Bill. I had a mild (compared to his) note in this column myself but I guess it got squeezed out in an effort to make room for Babe Ruth and "Disgruntled Veterans". I believe that Mr. Winkes hit nail on the head more times than he missed and his judgments were pretty much in accord with my own. The great hope for labor is to carry its case to the Supreme Court. As I wrote in the piece that was "suprimido", there is no doubt that the legislators had a long memory when it came to what they called "the abuses of labor leaders" and an extremely short one when it came to the abuses of management. Before the end of 1947 I hope to see the Department of Sociology, which will be established in September, offering some good solid courses which will clarify our thinking on the relations of capital and labor.

M. C. C. is searching for a practice field for its football team. Any local students who have large unused backyards measuring 60 by 20 yards should get in touch with Coach Diaz. (This is a fine thing to say after attacking capitalists in the above paragraph! It is almost certain that any student having a lawn of such extension will be found entrenched in the ranks of what Mr. Roosevelt used to call "economic royalists" Well, you can't blame us for trying).

The Mexican government reburied the bones of the conqueror, Hernán Cortés, the other day. They were discovered last winter after an exciting search that reminded one of a detective thriller. We at M. C. C. heard all about it from Professor Alberto Maria Carreno, one of the men who took part in the discovery. Cortés died just 400 years ago in Spain so has been reinterred four centuries to the year after his death.

A recurrent theme in letters we receive from the States is this: which I enclose postage". I have one standard reply to the theme: "Thank you for sending the stamps but the Mexican government insists that we use its stamps in sending mail out of Mexico". Really it does.



# WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

## JEWIS IN PALESTINE HOPE FOR U. S. LOAN

JERUSALEM.—Eliezer Kaplan, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, reported to the United Nations Special Commission on Palestine that Palestinian Jews are hoping for a loan from the United States to help settle millions of immigrants in the Holy Land. Kaplan told the Commission that the U. S. government had offered to help settle 100,000 Jews in Palestine last year. Kaplan said that Palestine could handle all who wished to settle there and that unless "significant multiples of 1,000,000" were taken in, he expected no disagreement or trouble.

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## FRANCO'S "LAW OF SUCCESSION" RATIFIED

MADRID.—Generalissimo Francisco Franco has apparently been made Chief of State for life by the Spanish voters who ratified his law of succession by an "overwhelming majority". The referendum, which confirmed Franco as Chief of State, gives him the power to pick a monarch to succeed himself, and to designate Spain as "a Catholic, social, and representative

## Dining at The Waldorf



Our roving photographer, Gene Bonfilio, caught these Mexico City College students enjoying themselves at the Waldorf Hotel's fashionable Blue Room. Left to right they are: Joe Gonzalez (Ariz), Nora Claus (Ariz), Morris Mannheim (Ariz), Iver Bruck (N. Y.), Mary Ritz (Ariz), Maria Cola Robeles (Ariz), Helen Matthews (Ind.), Ralph Sievwright (Ariz), Fred Marquay (Ariz) and Ann Harris (Calif.)

## MCC Students Visit Waldorf Hotel

Although several Mexico City College students were seen cutting in on the National university summer school mixer held last Friday at the Waldorf hotel's Blue Room, they must have created a good impression. This Friday Mexico City College students officially have been invited to participate in the dance.

The summer school students who have gone to these mixer dances are quick to admit that they have enjoyed themselves singing Mexican songs and learning to dance "south of the border" style. Music by Alfonso de Pérez's orchestra almost forces one to dance and it is a pleasure to listen to the world famous Argentinian pianist, Atilo Bruni. The checks are usually within the limits of students pocket-books, so lets get a date and have a good time this Friday.

## Meet The Faculty--

# Helene Gaubert to Head MCCs Drama Department

by James J. Petressen.

Dr. Helen A. Gaubert, who was to teach here only for the summer sessions, has decided to stay on indefinitely and will assume the directorship of the Drama department in the fall.

Miss Gaubert comes to the Drama department with a well rounded background of experience in directing, acting, writing and dramatic criticism. In fact, Miss Gaubert was practically born into the theater and up until the time she was twelve

she travelled with the ballet and opera company that her father directed.

"I didn't start to go to school until I was twelve," she said, "but I usually had a tutor who travelled with us." "Outside of the regular courses I studied, I was in ballet and acted once in a while in some of the productions," she said. She went all over the world, Mexico, Cuba, France and England with the company.

Her father brought Pavlova to the U.S. and introduced him to the American public. Some of her now outstanding personal friends worked with her father. She was a child of Oscar Hammerstein.

When she got back to her hometown, New York, of the tours her father had her to school at the School of Teachers of Columbia from which she graduated. "When I went to Paris with my mother and studied diction with the famous actress, Colette Chambreuil, one of the great acting actors of the French stage," she related which we returned to Bennington college in Vermont. At Bennington she majored in Drama, English, Literature and French Literature and was first graduating class in the department.

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## NEW VENEZUELAN CONSTITUTION

CARACAS.—On the thirteenth anniversary of Venezuela's independence from Spain, the National Assembly promulgated a new constitution. It was announced by Provisional President Romulo Betancourt that within three months, the first presidential election by universal secret ballot will be held. The country's first ocean merchant fleet was inaugurated at the port of La Guaira by Betancourt and other high government officials.

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## INDONESIANS ACCEPT DUTCH DEMANDS

BATAVIA, JAVA.—Dutch demands, including Netherlands sovereignty over the republic, have been accepted by the Indonesians. The only demand rejected was a proposal for a joint police force. The negotiations were disclosed in a series of notes released by the two governments. Dutch officials expressed their willingness to negotiate the disputed joint police force demand. It was reported that the United States government is preparing a second note for both governments appealing for peace in the Indies if "war seems inevitable".

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## News In Brief

### TRUMAN ASKS RAISE IN IMMIGRATION QUOTA

WASHINGTON.— President Truman appealed to Congress yesterday to "help solve the tragic problem" of displaced persons in Europe and let more people immigrate to the United States. The President named no specific number to be let in, and did not say if there was any particular form of legislation he wanted. There is a bill by Rep. W. G. Stratton (Rep.) of Illinois to admit 100,000 displaced persons annually for the next four years in a House Judiciary subcommittee, but there is little chance of Congressional approval this year.

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### RUSSIA DEMANDS WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS FROM GREECE

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—Russia has asked the United Nations Security Council that all foreign troops and military personnel be withdrawn from Greece, and that a special commission be set up to administer United States aid to that country. Soviet delegate Andrei A. Gromyko introduced a resolution blaming Greece for border incidents, and stating that "foreign interference" was the cause of present conditions in Greece. The resolution was Russia's answer to the UN Balkan Investigating Commission's charge that Albania, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia had interfered in Greek affairs, and had precipitated border trouble.

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### Joni Herman Makes Her Pick

Joni Herman, Chicago, was married to Hazel Pick, Brooklyn, June 27.  
Joni and Harlan are the third MCC couple to get married in the two quarters. Martin Kuskis and Karen Popp led the parade, followed by Joseph Shea and Pat Rich.  
Harlan told a Conquistador reporter that he met Joni in Spanish A. A veteran of the 12th Armored Force in the ETO, Harlan formerly attended Queens College Brooklyn.

### Former MCC Couple Wed

The couple received several days ago that Billie and Frank Wills, two members of the student were married recently in Washington, D. C.  
It was made known at the same time during the Mrs. Poulos had received word of abandonment.  
Mrs. Wills met at MCC. She had been attending this the last year while she came here during the summer with the group at State University. Both live in West, Fla., where Ruth Goodspeed (student) in conducting Goodspeed's School for

### Meet The Faculty-- Garcia Youngest Faculty Member

Pedro Bosch Garcia, of the Economics Department, is one of the youngest (and handsomest) members of the faculty. But he keeps his exact age a well-guarded secret. He first saw the light of day in Barcelona, Spain.

A true internationalist, he has attended schools and colleges in Spain, France, England, the United States, and Mexico. In England, he attended Oxford, in the U. S. he went to American University in Washington, D. C. In Mexico, he has been attending the National University.

In addition to being a fine teacher and scholar (which all of his students will verify), Señor Bosch is a "bastante bueno" athlete, having played ice hockey and soccer while in high school in Spain. His favorite sport is horseback riding, followed by fishing, and swimming, but since he gets little time for either of these, he occasionally will settle for drinking "Dos Equis". Sr. Bosch had a rather exciting youth as an ambulance driver in the Spanish Civil War, but he prefers to forget those tragic days.

Sr. Bosch takes pride in announcing that MCC can now offer an MA degree in Latin American economics. The course will center chief around such subjects as public finance, trade, and taxation, with all instruction in English. As part of the course, students will receive on the job training with Mexican firms. Through this method, he feels, the students will have the advantage of combining theoretical knowledge with practical experience, enabling them to learn first hand the problems confronting Latin American business men. If you're interested, Sr. Bosch, or his associate, Sr. Zamora.

#### COAL STRIKE MAY BEGIN

WASHINGTON.—A formal settlement of the soft coal strike before tomorrow seems improbable as attorneys for John L. Lewis and soft coal operators failed to come to any agreement over written terms of the proposed new contract for Northern and Steel Company miners. Tomorrow ends the miners' 10-day vacation, and unless Lewis decides differently, a strike may result. Lewis has been asking protection for the union and the miners against the strike penalties in the Taft-Hartley Labor Law.

### Helene Gaubert To Head Drama Dept.

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"In my Junior year at Bennington I was in residence in New York," she said, "and, along with my regular work, I started studying acting with Maria Ouspenskaya. On the side I got my first taste of doing dramatic criticism when I reviewed an Broadway show for the WILLIAMS SKETCH, the literary magazine at Williams college.

After her graduation from Bennington Miss Gaubert went to Western Reserve university in Cleveland for her master's degree in Drama and the Theater. She was connected with the Cleveland Playhouse, one of the leading community playhouses in the U.S., and was the director of drama of the French Theater workshop at Western Reserve.

"I wanted to go on the stage but I found that the road to Broadway was filled with hard knocks and I gave up at that time," she said. "Besides, I was more interested in the repertory theater," she continued, "and that type of theater has been more successful in America."

Miss Gaubert was granted a fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation in 1931 and went to the graduate school at Yale for a year to study drama with Albee Nicol, a leading theatrical historian.

After that I went to San Francisco College for Women," she said, "I also conducted a seminar in the Theory of Drama." "It was at that time that I realized that of all the people who had written about the theory of drama in Elizabethan times," she said, "the outstanding writer of the Elizabethan period—Shakespeare—had left no written work of his own that dealt with his own theory of the drama. All the references to the theater that Shakespeare made were those contained in his plays and it started me off on a four year period of research to determine how and what he felt about the theater."

Miss Gaubert spent her spare time in the next four years reading every word of every play of Shakespeare. Any references, direct or indirect, to the theater she classified and catalogued. Along with the other material she had gathered concerning the Elizabethan theater, she began to write her thesis for her Doctor's degree which was granted to her in 1944 by the University of Montreal.

"When I finished my thesis I took it to a Shakespeare scholar to get his opinion on it," she said. "After reading it he said: 'I think it is well done but isn't there a comma after this word in this passage of Julius Caesar?' Then he opened a volume of Shakespeare, found the passage in Shakespeare and confirmed his opinion that there should have been a comma after the word. There was little I could do but mumble an apology and take my leave of him," she said.

After a year in San Francisco Miss Gaubert returned to New York and enrolled at N.Y.U. to take some graduate courses in the History and Philosophy and Education. For a short period she was director of drama at the Carroll club, a club for business women.

"After the Carroll Club I had a very interesting and enjoyable job as the director of the Light-house Drama club at the New York Association for the Blind," she said. "The adult group with which I worked had never acted before and I had to work out things with them in great detail. They studied their parts in Braille," she said, "and then committed them to memory. It was difficult for them and for me but we put on three one act plays

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### Tennis Club Organized at MCC, Other Players Urged To Join

Thirty MCC students meeting in the College patio Saturday morning, July 12, organized a tennis club, and immediately issued invitations to all others interested in becoming members.

The 10 clay tennis courts at the Club Hacienda will be available for the use of the tennis club members from 6:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, club officials announced.

Competent instructors will be available for beginners who desire to enter the club. Gustavo Palafox N., and Frank Ziegel will give the National Mexican tour-instructions. Palafox is now player and Ziegel is a member of UCLA tennis team.

At the first meeting Frank Ziegel was elected president of the new club and Therese Anderson vice-president. Coach Luis Diaz is honorary chairman (whatever that is!)

Business meeting will be held every Saturday morning, 10:30, in the patio.

So far nine of the 30 club members of officials.

One of the plans on the club agenda is a tournament for club members only. Plans are also being made for all members to attend the National Mexican tournament, the finals of which will be held the last of this month.

### THE VETO IN HISTORY

#### President-Total Vetoes

Washington	2
Madison	7
Monroe	1
Jackson	12
Tyler	10
Polk	3
Pierce	9
Rufus	7
Lincoln	6
Johnson	10
Grant	92
Hayes	13
Arthur	12
Cleveland	414
Harrison	44
Cleveland	170
McKinley	42
Roosevelt, T.	82
Taft	39
Wilson	44
Harding	6
Coolidge	50
Hoover	37
Roosevelt, F.D.	631
Truman to date	64

Above are listed the private and public bills that Presidents have killed by pocket veto and other wise. Eight Presidents did not use the veto. But since James A. Garfield, no President has failed to use it. Grover Cleveland vetoed in eight years almost as many measures as did Franklin D. Roosevelt in 13 years.

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# AT THE MOVIES

## Warner Brothers "Two Mrs. Carrolls"

MIRIAM BRAVER

The Spanish subtitle, "Inspiracion Tragica" aptly describes the artistic genius of Humphrey Bogart in the Warner Brothers emotion packed film "The Two Mrs. Carrolls". As the painter, Mr. Carroll, he minimizes the importance of the lives of people he feels the necessity to sacrifice for the sake of his art. With this as the theme of the story, we find an involving Barbara Stanwyck, the second Mrs. Carroll; and Alexis Smith who tries, but in vain, to become the third Mrs. Carroll.

The picture vibrates with action. Suspense is great when, with her twelve year old step-daughter, Mr. Carroll enters the forbidden room to see the portrait of herself which she has been warned against seeing until its completion. Although shocking, it reveals to her the truth of her husband's mysterious trips to London, his secret visits with feline Alexis Smith, and the reason he is being blackmailed.

Action calls for more action. Once suspected, Mr. Carroll must "go away with" his wife. Her purpose has been fulfilled. It is then that he breaks into Barbara Stanwyck's locked room and frightens his audience as much as he does her. More dramatic incidents follow.

Perhaps the actions of Mr. Carroll's young daughter are not plausible. She undoubtedly acts more mature than her twelve years. When she tells her father that Van Gogh was insane during the peak of his genius, she astounds all listening and especially her father.

The plot also is exaggerated, but nevertheless acceptable. The story has truth in it and is exciting entertainment, if anything.

The superbness of Humphrey Bogart's acting is indisputable. Again, as in "The Big Sleep" he excites and keeps the audience in suspense. The siren part of Alexis Smith is comparable to her portrayal in "Rhapsody in Blue", while Barbara Stanwyck, as usual, acts her roll well and is quick-minded.

World War II veterans now have borrowed more than \$ 4.5 billion under the GI bill, Veterans Administration said.

## "The Egg And I" Colbert-MacMurray

By Edna Vandegrift

THE EGG AND I is a comedy-farce on the unglamorous side of farming, its only moral being, never marry a chicken farmer unless you're willing to play second fiddle to an egg.

Although the movie does do Betty McDonald's book justice, it's a riot of laughs from the honeymoon cluttered with chicken talk to the amusing, if slightly disgusting other woman, who quite obviously doesn't know the meaning of subtle.

Claudette Colbert and Fred Mc Murray handle the leads nicely, while Marjorie Main does as much for Ma Kettle as the Jaimston Office permits. If it's difficult to keep track of her numerous offspring, think nothing of it, she isn't able to tell them apart herself.

For those who care it, the comedy is punctuated with a county fair, a lunatic, and a forest fire. All of which, instead of being superfluous as one might think, do fit in naturally.

## VET DOPE

Slightly more than 6,400,000 World War II veterans now have applied for education or job-training under the GI bill for the able-bodied and Public Law 16 for the disabled.

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A veteran who learned watch-making so well while a patient in a VA tuberculosis hospital that when he was discharged he secured a Civil Service appointment as a watch maker. Now he is teaching his trade to other patients in the same hospital.

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An increase of 280 percent in the number of veterans enrolled in on-the-farm-training, combined with classroom instruction, was reported for the seven-month period from Oct. 1, 1946 to May 1, 1947.

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About 200 complete educational courses, ranging from high school subjects to automobile mechanics, are available to ill and disabled "Please answer by return mail for vets in VA hospitals.

## BOOK REVIEW

EDWARD J. WINKES

HOW GREEN WAS MY FATHER, by David Dodge, New York: Simon and Schuster, 1947, 216 pages illustrated \$2.75.

This humorous odyssey of David Dodge, the author, his wife and their 9 year old daughter on a motor trip through Mexico to Guatemala will keep the reader chuckling throughout the book.

The appeal will depend on which side of the Rio Grande you live, or if you do live on the southern side and have a sense of humor, you'll enjoy it too.

Dodge, after three and a half years in the Navy, shining the seat of his dress blues in an office chair in San Francisco, was anxious to leave the Navy and see the world. After his discharge, he planned a leisurely tropical sea voyage with his family to Guatemala. But, they couldn't get a boat and they couldn't get a plane, so they packed their bags and headed their car for the Mexican border and points south.

The author is initiated in what he calls the "Mexican national sport of 'la mordida'" as soon as he crosses the border at Nuevo Laredo and greases palms with pesos all along the way. He describes his first "bite" at the customhouse: "The thirty pesos I had given him were in small bills, ones and fives. He spread them around thinner than butter in an orphan asylum".

His first impression of Mexican drivers is altered when he reaches Mexico City. This is the way he terms it: "Maybe I mentioned that driving in Monterrey had been frightening. Monterrey was a practice course for the Hearse Driver's Association compared to Mexico City. They do things there with an automobile that sane people wouldn't try with a polo pony".

You don't have to know Spanish to laugh at the author's struggle in learning the language. At Xochimilco, Dodge tries his pidgin Spanish while haggling with the boatman.

"Hola, hombre, cuanto por el boat?"

"Feefty pesos, Meester".

"Por Dios, no quiero buy the damn thing. Cuanto por hora?"

Reaching Mexico City, Dodge finds the Pan American highway leading to Guatemala is only an engineer's dream. Transporting his car across the border involves him in chasing from freight offices to government officials and paying his criss-cross path with Mexican currency. His chase from one office to another is as beset with complications as a U. S. student attempting to convert an expiring tourist card into a student's passport. He finally manages to transport it from Vera Cruz, but only after getting an exteñsion on his visa and practically going broke in the process.

Dodge gets a lucky break in Vera Cruz, where he meets the fabulous hotel night clerk, Ricardo, who is related to half of the town and his friends to the other half. He is able to get Dodge the needed transportation and becomes his drinking companion during his wait for the train to be made up.

This book escapes the usual criticism directed against writers who spend a few days in Mexico and write a book on it. Dodge merely relates his humorous experiences as they occur, without attempting to analyze the why's and where fores of the people with whom he comes in contact.

The pen and ink line drawings by Irv Koons are as pleasing and refreshing as the story.

"How Green Was My Father" will give you a few hours of light entertainment and solace that you are not the only one in Mexico who has had strange experiences.

## New Books Now

### At MCC Library

By Juan Cobre, (alias John Kopper)

Among the many recent addition to our Biblioteca at Mexico City College are books to please every taste. For those of philosophical proclivities I can heartily recommend "Philosophers Speak For Themselves" edited by I. V. Smith. A masterpiece of discriminating selection, this volume includes writings of philosophers from Plato on. "The New Philosophical Dictionary" edited by Runes should prove invaluable as a source of reference for those taking courses with Dr. Gaos or Maestro Airau.

The problem of race relations in the United States should interest all students at M.C.C. The library fortunately has acquired Gunnar Myrdal's "American Dilemma" which is probably the most comprehensive and authoritative study the Negro question in the U. S. ever written of the Negro question in the U. S.

"The Golden Book of Catholic Poetry" will delight those of all faiths. Particularly outstanding are the selections from the writings of Facher Hopkins, and Sister Madeleve. "The Prioress's Tale" omitted from most editions of Chaucer is included here. In addition there are many tributary poems by non-catholics.

In the field of the historical essay Christopher Dawson's "The Making of Europe" is excellent reading.

"Men of Mathematics", by E. T. Bells, contains biographical sketches of the great mathematicians from Zeno to Einstein. The main discoveries and theories of the leading mathematicians throughout the centuries are lucidly explained in language intelligible to the layman.

For those who enjoy good novels the following three modern library editions are recommended: "Tom Jones" by Henry Fielding; "The Garden Party" by Katherine Mansfield; and "The Ordeal of Richard Feverel" by George Meredith.

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One VA hospital makes movies of its USO shows with donated films so that bed-ridden patients may see them, too.

## Helene Gaubert To Head Drama Dept.

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that were well done and very well received."

In 1942 Miss Gaubert taught drama and radio at Marymount college, Tarrytown on the Hudson, New York. This was followed by her first job in the field of journalism when she did research in pictorial journalism for the Feature Section of International News Photos, a branch of King Features.

"In 1943 I became one of the first critics in television," she said, "and I also wrote some scripts for the Television Workshop over station W2XWV. I was also drama critic on the radio and had a program called Play Panorama over station WBNX in New York."

In 1944 Dr. Gaubert joined the staff of Click magazine as an editorial assistant. Due to the paper shortage that developed during the war the magazine folded up and she went to work as a bibliographical researcher for James F. Drake, Inc., a rare book firm. Miss Gaubert says that the work was very interesting but she was unable to divulge to me what she had turned up because the company had not yet released the information. She did say that she came across some rare stuff.

"I started teaching English at Pratt institute in 1946 and I was there until I came here," she said. "At the same time I was movie critic and columnist for Gotham Life, a weekly New York magazine that deals with what's doing around the town and which recommends things to do and see," she concluded.

During the summer sessions Miss Gaubert is teaching French, Shakespeare, English Composition and American Literature Since The First World War. She will probably discontinue some of these courses when she takes over the Drama department. She expects that the group will put on some plays and she hopes to be able to do some original work which the acting group may dramatise.

Miss Gaubert is going to contact the distributing agency in New York which handles Laurence Olivier's production of "Henry V" and is going to try to have it sent here for a run or at least for a few days showing.

## Letters To The Editors

(Continued from page two)

our rights to revolt. I don't have any use for avowed communists — but every other man, no matter how 'left' he may be is o.k. by me. A (No-Doubt) Fellow Traveler.

### KNOW WHAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT

Dear Editor:

Some people who leap before they look would do better if they looked next time.

I'm just an ordinary ex-GI, going here to MCC. By chance and by a mutual love for a friendly card game, I got to know the editor and most of the staff of EL CONQUISTADOR. Anybody who goes around accusing them or their paper of any political ideas that do not represent those of the American people is a quack.

Since I aint much for letter writing, I'll close now, hoping that you'll pardon my poor English.

A Legionnaire.

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## Legion Discusses MCC Editorial

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Floyd E. Matteson, editor, informed the Post Commander that he would attend tomorrow's meeting in an effort to learn just what the legionaires objected to in the editorial and "inasmuch as had no intention of offending the Legion, explain why the statement in dispute was used".

"Most Legionaires", Matteson said, "are really interested in why the veterans dislike the Legion, if they do, and desire to try to correct any faults of the Legion to which they object, or show those who dislike it where they are in error."

"This the Post Commander told me," he added, "and I will naturally cooperate. However, while the statement I made was neither criticism nor derogatory, should the Legion get to the place where it cannot be criticized, I will be the first to criticize it, and I believe all intelligent legionaires will agree I'd be right in doing so".

## Critics Praise 'Joan of Lorraine'

MCC will have a chance to witness one of the top plays of recent years judging from the comments New York critics have made about "Joan of Lorraine", which will be held July 18, 19, and 20 at Villalongin No. 50.

When the play opened in New York with Ingrid Bergman in the title role, the most severe critics went wild over the play. Here are some excerpts of what was said:

"A generally magnificent version of the legend..."

Wolcott Gibbs, THE NEW YORKER.

"Maxwell Anderson has made magic in the theatre again... 'Joan of Lorraine' is probably his finest play... A rare experience in the theatre."

George Freedley, NEW YORK TELEGRAPH.

"The theatre is itself again... a play within a play, a heady mixture of drama and melodrama, bitterness and beauty, romance

## 3000 Vets Abroad

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gentina 3, Brazil 4, Chile 3, Colombia 4, Costa Rica 2, Cuba 22, Dominican Republic 4, Ecuador 1, El Salvador 1, Peru, and Uruguay 1.

Of the Asiatic countries, Palestine accounted for 63 students, China 3, and Syria 3.

Other countries where veterans are studying and the number in each are: Australia 38, Newfoundland 1, New Zealand 4, and Union of South Africa 1. No veteran, it appears, is studying in Ethiopia where a months rent is reputed to be only .70 cents.

Fifty-three veterans living abroad are taking courses by mail from the United States under the GI bill.

Those who study abroad must arrange for their own passports, visas, and transportation, VA said.

and reality, belief and disbelief... A drama of substance and invention, a play to warm the ockles of the ardent playgoer's heart".

Robert Garland, NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN.

"A good play novel in construction, admirable in language and worth listening to as a statement of belief".

John Chappman, NEW YORK DAILY NEWS.

"Maxwell Anderson has written an engrossing play that is variously poignant, rhapsodic and genial and much above the common level of the theatre".

Brooks Atkinson, NEW YORK TIMES.

## Excuses

(Continued from page one)

visits, oversleep, glasses broken, dentist, doctor, gubernación, and so on.

Then there was the fellow who was folding EL CONQUISTADORS of whom, the staff swear, they've never heard!

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Less than 5,000 World War II veterans have exhausted their period of entitlement to education or on-job-training under the GI bill.

## CHIANG KAI-SHEK SPEAKS AGAINST COMMUNISTS

NANKING. — Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, speaking to his people in a radio address, said that China will perish unless the Communists are conquered. He delivered his 35-minute message on the eve of the tenth anniversary of the Japanese invasion, declaring that the long war with Japan would have been "fought in vain" unless the government could recover the northeast provinces (Manchuria) and assure the safety of all Chinese territory. He told the people that to save their country, they must "realize the Communist imperialistic ambitions and join in the war effort to defeat them".

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