The Purple Onion debuted huge success

Folk Singers Glen Lonsdale and Gale Peterson entertain at the debut of the Purple Onion, Saturday, December 5.

150 Attend Opening Night

The Purple Onion started its first season here on December 5 with an opening night crowd of over 150.

The lounge was decorated as a European Bistro, complete with checkered tablecloths, candles, and travel posters lining the walls.

The first act of the evening was what was announced as a serious reading by Larry Timpe. Instead, it was actually a comic monologue.

Timpe was followed by folk-singer/guitarist Jay Gersten, who sang a collection of little-known, but highly unusual and likable folk numbers. Gersten has a wonderful ability for changing the whole quality and tone of his voice, as he slips from a rousing folk tune to a simple ballad.

Next to be announced, was Glen Lonsdale, a talented guitarist, harmonica player, and folk singer. Throughout his numbers, he would switch from singing to playing the harmonica in accompaniment of his own guitar playing. After his first few numbers, he was joined by his partner, Gail Peterson. After their first song together, Miss Peterson sang, at the request of a member of the audience, a beautiful song called “Copper Kettle.” One of the most well-received numbers of the evening was a ballad called “Marianne” which they sang together.

Joking jam session

The final performance of the evening brought together Bill Price, another folk singer–guitarist; Jack Droesch, folk singer–guitarist, Glen Lonsdale, and John Brock, drummer. The four of them improvised in a kind of folk jam session. The resulting spontaneity pleased the audience who reacted by joining in on the singing with enthusiasm. Galle a bit of impromptu and joking back and forth with the audience, took place on the part of the drummer, John Brock.

If the large number of students and their enthusiastic reception of the first Purple Onion is any indication, the future of the Purple Onion on the St. Louis campus is very bright.

The Purple Onion is open to a crowd of over 150. SEE page one.

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Plan Breakfast

Spanish Group Plans Activities

Strawberry crepe suzettes and hamburgers replaced tortillas at a recent Spanish club meeting. Fifteen Spanish students, Spanish teacher Mrs. C.J. Crawley, and sociology teacher Mrs. T.O. Mathes met before Thanksgiving for a luncheon at the Pancake House. Conversing in both Spanish and English, the group planned their next meeting which was held last Thursday.

Spanish students gathered December 10 at the home of Dr. Crawley, 7545 Lynn, for a program organized by officers Wilcox Miller and Sandra Walls. The group brought their own sandwiches and the rest of the food was supplied at the house. This time the lunch- eon featured singing with Wilcox Miller’s guitar and a travelogue of Latin American countries given by Dr. Crawley.

To celebrate the coming Christmas vacation, a friendship breakfast will be sponsored by the Spanish club in the cafeteria. The students will meet Wednesday, December 16, at 7:15 a.m. for a short get-together.

Christmas Dance Planned by SA

The annual Student Association Christmas dance is set for Friday, December 18. The festivities will take place on campus in room 106, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music will be provided by Cliff Fredericksen and The Downbeats. “Winter Wonderland,” chosen by Marsha McMahon, chairman of the Student Association Social Committee, is to be the theme. Ron Boden is in charge of decorations and refreshments will be served.

A semi-formal affair, girls are to wear cocktail dresses; boys are to wear dark suits with ties. The tickets are available at $1.50 a couple.

A Campus Leadership Conference was approved by the Student Association to discuss campus problems, to find out what one organization can do to aid others, to discuss the possibility of joint activities to foster more student participation in campus life, and to see what new programs for student can be initiated. Dave Zerrer, president of the SA, led the conference. Elaine Stamm, vice-president, organized the plans for the day.

The Norman school district supplies the Student Association with the names of children whom they think are deserving of participation in the Christmas party. The SA then writes letters to the parents, asking if their children may attend.

According to Dave Zerrer, president of the SA, the party is to one of the more important events sponsored by the Student Association.

Neiman Group Anticipates Holiday

The Neiman Club is going to hold a Christmas caroling in the suburb of Bel-Nor on December 31, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the caroling is to raise money for under-privileged children of all faiths.

Carolers from the Neiman club will be only a small part of the hundreds of Christmas Carolers that carol yearly at Christmas time under the auspices of the St. Louis Christmas Caroler’s Association.
By looking at recent Senate appointments one might begin to get the impression that Sophomores are more equal than Freshman at the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

There are now, by reason of five recent appointments, a total of 17 Sophomore senators. There are also 17 Freshman senators. One might question, at seeing this information, the validity of the statement that Sophomores are "more equal" than Freshman here. Seventeen and seventeen seems fair. But is it? It might be fair if the number of students in each class was the same—but they're not. There are 649 Freshmen, but only 341 Sophomores, enrolled here. Either approximately half the Freshman class is not represented, or the Sophomores are each being represented twice, as a result of the Senate's interpretation of "proportionate representation" as stated in the constitution.

According to a Senate ruling made last year, representation in the Senate should be 3 per cent of the Student Body, to be divided equally among the Freshman and Sophomore classes. The constitution says that each class should receive a "proportionate" representation. "Equal" is not the same as "proportionate."

Representatives of the Senate and the Student Court have said in effect to protesting students, that students at this university are just going to have to live with this interpretation of "proportionate representation" until the Spring semester, when the Senate will review representation again.

But is it necessary to wait until next spring for the correction of an obvious error in interpretation? Is it not the duty of the Court to interpret and protect the meaning of the constitution? Why can't the Court review Senate apportionment now? Why prolong an error?
Did you know that an electron microscope is available today that can magnify a pea to the propor­tion of the Empire State Building? Or that when shipped by either Dutch or Japanese manufacturers it requires 14 packing cases, costs more $25,000, and requires a full-time technician to operate it? Neither did I, until talking with Dr. and Mrs. George Babcock, who impart such fascinating bits of scientific trivia with high enthusiasm.

A scientific couple in the tradi­tion of Pierre and Marie Curie, a conversation with the new faculty also reveals both their devotion to each other and their dedication to science.

The first part of his Research Fellowship at the university was spent in studying the lens develop­ment of eyeless South African closed frogs. These frogs are par­ticularly good for such observa­tion and while they are imported regularly and are readily avail­able, they cost $20.00 apiece.

The second part of his time there was spent studying the ovary in yellow fever mosquitoes.

Mrs. Babcock has completed all requirements for her doctoral de­gree except for the writing of her dissertation on the development of the reproductive system of the fruit fly, Drosophila. She had ex­pected to have completed it by Christmas, but teaching and fur­nishing a house in Creve Coeur have not allowed time for further research.

Asking if they would recommend other science-minded students to form “scientific couples” for teaching and/or research they re­sponded with a whole-hearted “Yes!” In fact, neither one could think of a single disadvantage ex­cept to note that such students the other had heard all the cur­rent information being circulated on campus when such was not always the case. Their familiar com­pliments on the program and faculty had built the cottage to house the chimps for observation.

They discussed the intellectual climate they have found here at the University of St. Louis not only among their scien­tific colleagues but also among the students. They describe it as a “meeting of minds, a shared philosophy of how science should be taught that we find very stim­ulating and encouraging.”

Another topic they like to re­call are the graduate school days they shared exploring the field of experimental anthro­pology. Both were on fellowship and met on the campus of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville in 1949.

Having just arrived from Johns Hopkins University, Dr. Babcock was attracted to a white coated co-ed absorbed in her experiments in a corner of the laboratory as he was being shown around the campus. He quickly decided one of the things he liked most about the South was the Northern (in her case, Chicago) girls studying there.

They both laugh when they re­call another home, a small cottage by a lake in an idyllic wooded setting whose previous occupants had been two chimpanzees. A mem­ber of the University of Virginia faculty had built the cottage to house the chimps for observation.

While the Babcocks had been studying the chimpanzees they were later joined by a pet chimp, Cripe, who was the first primate to be taught sign language.

“Cripe” learned over 500 signs and was able to use them in a variety of situations. The Babcocks believe that the chimp was able to understand the signs and communicate effectively with them. The Babcocks have been involved in the study of chimpanzee communication since the 1950s, and their work has significantly advanced our understanding of chimpanzee intelligence and communication abilities.
Keglers Drop to Seventh

After a disappointing showing last week the bowling team dropped into seventh place in the fourteen team collegiate league. The keepers lost to a determined St. Louis Baptist team by less than twenty pins. The quintet of bowlers is now 4 1/2 games out of first place with almost twenty games yet to bowl.

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Grapplers Seek AAU Title

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The Missouri News Gives Award

The winner of the Athlete of the Week Award will be chosen by the committee consisting of coach Bob Meyers of the basketball team, coach Dave Ellis of the wrestling team, a representative of the Missouri News staff and student body.

The Missouri News staff will present the first annual Athlete of the Year Award. This medal will be presented to the boy who best exemplifies the qualities of the ideal athlete. The contenders for this award will be judged in three major areas: accomplishment in athletics, accomplishment in scholastics, and contributions to the campus life.

The name of the winner of this award will be announced during the week of April third. The Athlete of the Year will receive a medal showing his accomplishment and his name will appear on the Athlete of the Year Trophy which will be kept in the showcase in the lobby.

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Tigers vs. Logan

This Wednesday the Tigers meet Logan College in the revolver round. The games are played at 8 o’clock.

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