

Black Says 'Tristram Shandy' Evokes Laughter, Brotherhood

"In 'Tristram Shandy' Laurence Sterne evokes laughter, good feeling, and a sense of brotherhood," Frank G. Black, professor of English, said in discussing the book at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Browning Room in the Student Union.

In defining the book, Black explained that it is a history of what passes in a man's mind. The book, however, follows the psychological only as far as necessary to attain a jesting atmosphere. The English professor continued.

Holds Readers Interest

The variegated wit from page to page tends to hold the reader's interest, Black stated. Sterne would rather arouse a laugh than discredit a person or an institution of the day, the lecturer explained.

In relation to the institutions of education, Sterne leads one to believe that Tristram is capable of surviving any of his elders. It was his father's inordinate desire to make Tristram an intellectual genius.

Impressionistic Method

Sterne's impressionistic method is shown by the scene where Bobby, Tristram's brother, dies. Uncle

Toby merely comments that his nephew has gone away, and the deceased boy's father says that he is glad the boy is rid of his suffering. This method of the impressionistic, to show no outward grief at the loss of a loved one, has a double purpose. This approach registers as important certain incidents, while detracting from the importance of others, Black said.

Uncle Toby and Tristram express their views on the military situations of the day very effectively. Uncle Toby asks if anyone had more tears for Hector, or if anyone's heart beat more rapidly at the sound of war drums. Tristram says that a soldier who has no straw to sleep on at night, and who has been subjected to the cold, will pray as sincerely as a preacher, but without the hypocrisy of the clergyman.

Dominant Influences

The two dominant influences in the story are the author's method of evoking a feeling for the sheer delight of feeling, and the uses of sentimental situations for the amusement of the readers, the English professor continued.

Although the book does not al-

ways follow chronological order, and it is concerned with opinions rather than facts, "Tristram Shandy" does an excellent job of showing the value of the trivial life in relation to character, Black concluded.

Music Honorary To Hold Annual Tea

The annual silver tea of Mu Phi Epsilon Patronesses will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house.

The tea is a benefit for the group's scholarship fund, by which students in the School of Music are given financial aid.

A musical program will be given by members of the active chapter of the women's music honorary. Carolyn Oleman, senior in music, will play "L'isle Goyeuse" by Debussy. Two movements from Hindemith's "Sonata for Violin and Piano" will be presented by Ellen Liebe, violinist, and Miss Joyce Everson, pianist. Both are seniors in music.

February is a short month, but long on want ad results.

Inquiring Reporter

Dorm Students Ask Quantity, Quality in Food

The response to the question "What do you think of the food served in the dorms?" gave the general opinion that the food could be improved both in quantity and quality.

Ken Ireland—junior from Stitzer Hall—"I don't think they prepare the food as well as they might and they aren't as careful in mixing foods as they could be. They get the darndest mixtures, like clams in bean soup. Their coffee is terrible; it tastes burnt all the time. Aside from this, I have nothing pertinent to say."

Dick Cumpston—freshman from McChesney Hall—"There isn't anything wrong with the food—there just isn't enough of it. There have been certain instances when the food has been pretty bad but these times seem to run in streaks."

Don Lynch—sophomore from Omega Hall—"Here at Straub it's pretty good except for the breakfasts, lunches and dinners! The quality isn't bad but the quantity could be increased. I've never eaten at the Vet's Dorms so I don't know about over there."

Barbara Manley—freshman from Hendricks Hall—"On the whole I like the food. However, it seems to me it is rather expensive for the quality. There are no complaints in particular except that we aren't served milk on days when dinner is served other than cafeteria style."

Betty Brown—freshman from Susan Campbell Hall—"Well, if my mother served it I'd get up and leave the table. On the whole, though, it is well balanced nutritionally."

Kenneth Ahlquist—junior from McChesney Hall—"Well, I think the Emerald article did a pretty good job. The food could be a lot better. Some of the lunches are pretty unappealing—especially the salads. I'd say part of the food is good and part is bad. Lunch is the poorest meal."

Earl Fowler—freshman from Metrick Hall—"I don't think it's too bad for the money we pay. They could improve on breakfast but the other meals are all right."

Donna Claire Ringle—freshman from Carson Hall—"Well, the food in Carson is pretty good but considering how many they have to cook for they naturally couldn't cook as if it were for 30 people or less."

Mexican Tour Slated for June

An educational tour of Mexico is being offered for the seventh time this summer by Dr. and Mrs. Juan B. Rael of Stanford University.

The tour will include Acapulco, Cordoba, Cuernavaca, Fortin, Guadalajara, Guanajuato, Mexico City, Morelia, Patzcuaro, Puebla, Queretaro, Taxco, Toluca, and Uruapan. The time of departure is June 24 from Los Angeles. The cost ranges from \$278 to \$498.

Interested students may write to Rael, professor of languages, Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif.

Dice, not Skates, Roll in Indiana Rink

NEW ALBANY, Ind. —(P)—"Mama, we can't roller skate over there any more but we can shoot craps."

That's what a nine-year old girl told her mother about a skating rink near New Albany. Sunday, Sheriff Oda Pyle raided the place.

Monday, seven men pleaded guilty to operating a gambling house and were fined.

Oberteuffer Names Preview Chairmen

Duck Preview Chairman Georgie Oberteuffer named 12 students Sunday to head committees for the annual Duck Preview Weekend, a gathering of high school seniors on the campus scheduled for Apr. 13, 14, and 15.

Committee heads will probably meet later this week to discuss plans for the spring term event, according to Miss Oberteuffer.

Chairmen appointed are as follows:

Registration, Donna Pastrouch; exchange dinners, Denise Thum; hospitality, Bonnie Birkemeier; dance, Mike Lally; housing, Nancy Kuhnhausen and Bob H. Jones; invitation and promotion, Harriet Vahey.

Education tours, Jody Greer; special events, Gerry Pearson; luncheon, Connie Ohlsen; transportation, Sue Huggins; and publicity, Bill Frye.

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