

Be a Character

Auditions for the Reveler's fall productions of *The Hostage* will be held in the Rehearsal Hall below Sternberger Auditorium, Sept. 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. According to Rick Prouty, the director, there is a large cast of characters with both large and small speaking parts. When asked to give some insight of the play and its author he replied, "Brendon Behan's *The Hostage* has been varicously described as exuberant, sardonic, rousing, priceless and enchanting. Behan, in this comic study, has melded into play form, his own reputation as a rascal with a flair for both satire and song. No one in the play takes themselves seriously, in this simple plot woven around I.R.A. activities in the late 1950's. Characters literally spill from Behan's pages and among them we count a number of aging yet active prostitutes, a bag-pipe playing Irish patriot, a soul saving spinster, a young and not-so-innocent serving girl, a Bogartish IRA Inspector and his bumbling assistant, a pair of flagrant homosexuals, a changeling, and a prisoner with a personality. Team these types with Pat and Meg, the boarding house managers, and we have an Irish Hot L. Baltimore in the best folk tradition of Ireland.

Simply stated, the plot revolves around an English soldier, taken prisoner as a retaliation against the British, who will be executed if the British do the same with their IRA prisoner. During his imprisonment, he becomes "one of the family" and his demise seems less likely. In a surprise ending, Behan cleverly heals all wounds and sends us home with a smile on our faces

and fond memories of *The Hostage*. The script is interlaced with simple Irish ballads which make for a most unusual and pleasant treatment of an age old problem, conflict and resolution.

Because of the music involved those auditioning will be asked to sing a few bars to establish vocal range, but no musical talent is required for the roles. For those people who are interested in reading the play before the auditions there will be copies at the desk in the library on reserve.

Drilling Can Be Thrilling

By RICHARD FULTON

I never thought I would know a person that worked on a drilling rig, much less be interested in what they had to say. Anyway, these kinds of folks just work and sweat all day and then catch a couple Millers at the local saloon when the sun sets.

My views have changed after talking with Mark Dowdy and Rick Morton. I went to a geology seminar at Founders last week and collected some interesting facts.

First of all, Mark and Rick worked for Soil and Material Engineers, Inc., which has an office in Greensboro. These guys worked in various places in Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia doing explorational drilling for coal.

At each of these places, a drilling rig had to be set up. These rigs are 10 feet by 20 feet platforms with a 50 foot mask capable of drilling 3,000 feet. Drilling depths were

Many minority students, entering their junior or senior years of college or already possessing undergraduate degrees, may be thinking about continuing their education at graduate school.

If so, Educational Testing Service (ETS) and the Graduate Record Examinations Board can help identify opportunities for advanced study.

Through the Minority Graduate Student Locator Service, developed by ETS and offered by the GRE Board, college juniors, seniors and graduates who are members

actually between 300 and 1800 feet.

This drilling business is actually pretty simple. A roller bit starts the hole, going down 10 to 20 feet, and clears away the soft stuff such as dirt, sand or mud. Then they change bits and start the core drilling.

Core drilling is actually an exploration into what's going on down below the earth's surface. As the tools and drilling bit are lowered, the bit makes a 2-4 inch wide cut into the rock. As the rock is cut, the "core," the cut rock in a perfect cylinder shape, rises up the "inner barrel." Once 20 feet of rock has been drilled, the inner barrel containing the core is raised, and laid out on the core rack and the inner barrel is put back in for further drilling.

Mark and Rick's job was to identify the kind of rock, take measurements and record their observations in a log book. So this stuff is all these geologists ever do, right? Maybe, but maybe not. Sure is good experience, though.

This is just one of many summer experiences being shared at the Environmental Studies Meetings every Wednesday at 12 noon in the back room of the cafeteria.

Minority Openings for Advanced Study

of racial and ethnic minorities in the United States can make their intentions known to graduate schools seeking such applicants. There is no cost to students for this service.

Students sign up by completing the registration form contained in the GRE/MGSLs Information Bulletin. It is the same form used to register for the Graduate Record Examinations. The GRE are comprehensive aptitude and advanced tests used in the admissions process by many of the nation's graduate schools. Students need not take the GRE to use the Locator Service.

The Information Bulletin explains all students must know to participate in the service. Copies of the Bulletin can be obtained at most colleges or by writing to MGSLs, Box 2615, Princeton, N.J. 08541.

To take part in the Locator Service, students describe themselves by answering a series of questions on the registration form that ask for ethnic background, undergraduate major, intended graduate major and other information about educational experience and objectives. This information is placed in the Locator Service file and made available upon request to participating graduate schools. GRE scores are not included in the Locator Service file.

Each graduate school establishes its own criteria for identifying students from the Locator Service file based on ethnic background, expected major field of study, degree objective and state of residence. Students who use the Locator Service and meet the criteria set by a particular school will have their names automatically submitted to that school.

Students who want to make information available to graduate schools three times during the academic year must have their registration forms in by Sept. 22. A student who misses that deadline and has

the form in by Nov. 6 will be able to participate twice. Graduate schools will correspond with those students in whom they are interested to inform them of the procedures to follow in applying for admission.

Because of the interest among graduate schools throughout the nation in attracting qualified minority students, it is likely that a student's name will be sent to a number of institutions. Because a graduate school may not wish to contact all students whose names it receives, students are not informed of the identity of those institutions to which their names have been forwarded.

The Locator Service is not an application to graduate school or for financial assistance.

Information students supply for the Locator Service file is treated confidentially and is released only to participating graduate schools and scholarship programs.

Last year, more than 21,000 students made use of the Locator Service, and student information was provided to more than 120 graduate schools around the country.

The GRE and the MGSLs are administered by ETS under policies determined by the GRE Board, an independent board affiliated with the Association of Graduate Schools and the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States.

TONIGHT
September 12th

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in Sternberger
8:15

Crafts Center Craves Creativity

Artistic folk are wanted to encourage, develop and display their talents. The means to go about fulfilling these attributes is through the Craft Center, a student run organization which thrives upon student support. So if you like to work with clay, wood, glass, dyes, silver, copper, metal, stone, porcelain and other available goodies, these materials can be made convenient to you at your working pleasure. Further possibilities include field trips and excursions pertaining to your interests. The Craft Center has formerly been

located at Hege-Cox, however the entire scene is going to be transferred to Founders Basement next door to the Rec Room.

Any help that can be offered to and in this process will be greatly appreciated Wednesday at 4:30. The first general workshop to be given concerns flute making out of bamboo. So anyone is welcome to come and try their hand at this activity Saturday at 1:30, but make sure to sign up fast at the sign up sheet in Founders because participation is limited to the first fifteen.

Graduate Admissions Tests Now

Those planning to take one or more of the admission tests required by graduate and professional schools are advised to register for the tests immediately. A disruption in mail service could prevent those who delay from being registered for the early fall administrations. Regular Registration Deadlines for the examinations are:
Dental Admission Test (DAT) Sept. 11, 1978

Law School Admission Test (LSAT) Sept. 14, 1978
Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) Sept. 21, 1978
Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Sept. 28, 1978
Late Registration Deadlines generally are one week later than the Regular Registration Deadlines.