

Classified

Don't forget Bob Farris and his Fascinations, this afternoon at Delta Phi. Admission is free.

FOR UNUSUAL
GIFTS
Visit
THE SCOTS SHOP
257 Thayer St.
(Across from the
Avon Cinema)

CHEZ ELISE

246 Thayer Street

Dresses for all Occasions

Flushed?

So were others

SEE THE
Flushogram
Results

In Monday's
BROWN
DAILY HERALD

Anthropology Division Adds New Courses;
Heath to Study Brown Drinking Habits

by SUSANNA OPPER
Pembroke '62

The Anthropology division of the Sociology Department of Brown University is growing as rapidly as the primitive cultures it studies are dying out. The first Anthropology courses were taught by Professor J. L. Giddings in 1956, although they were listed as Sociology courses. This year Dwight B. Heath joined the teaching staff and the department gained the impressive name of Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Next year, with the addition of a third professor, Igor Kopytoff from Northwestern University, a total of eleven courses will be available.

It is hoped that in the academic year 1961-1962 both a full major in Anthropology and graduate courses will be offered.

Primitive Peoples

The approach of the anthropologist differs from that of the sociologist in that he is interested in the study of primitive peoples. The object of this is to gain new insight into the behavior of man. The advantage of dealing with less civilized peoples is that by removing the complicated aspects of

modern society, a picture can be gained of man as he was.

Although anthropology remains small in numbers of professional personnel, it offers a wide diversity of interests. This is no less true of the professors here. Giddings, whose main interest is in



Giddings

Arctic Archeology, began his field work in 1930 and since 1956 has been accompanied by Brown students on his trips to Alaska and Northern Canada. Explaining that, "archeology gives the equivalent of a historical background based on written records," Giddings said, "it can be called pre-history because there are no written records in most of these areas." For example, finding and reconstructing an Eskimo pot can tell how meals were prepared, where they were fixed and eaten in addition to giving an idea of aesthetic interests. Giddings explained that this study works on the basis of present knowledge to project culture back in time."

Heath, who is especially interested in cultural anthropology stated that "one of its main purposes is to demonstrate that we all tend to see human behavior through the lenses of our own cultural backgrounds. If we can recognize that other peoples see the world through different lenses, frustrating and even catastrophic misunderstandings can be avoided."

Drinking

On the practical level, Heath, who graduated from Harvard and received his Ph.D. from Yale, did field work with the Navaho. The major concern of his study was to determine drinking patterns of the Navaho. Explaining that drinking causes "stress situations" Heath said that an observer can discover much about a society by seeing which groups tend to drink together and which individuals and groups to fight, when under the influence of alcohol. Heath also did a similar study of the Camba of Eastern Bolivia.

"I look forward to the opportunity of comparing drinking patterns," Heath said, "of Brown undergraduates with those of the Navaho and Camba Indians whom I've studied earlier."



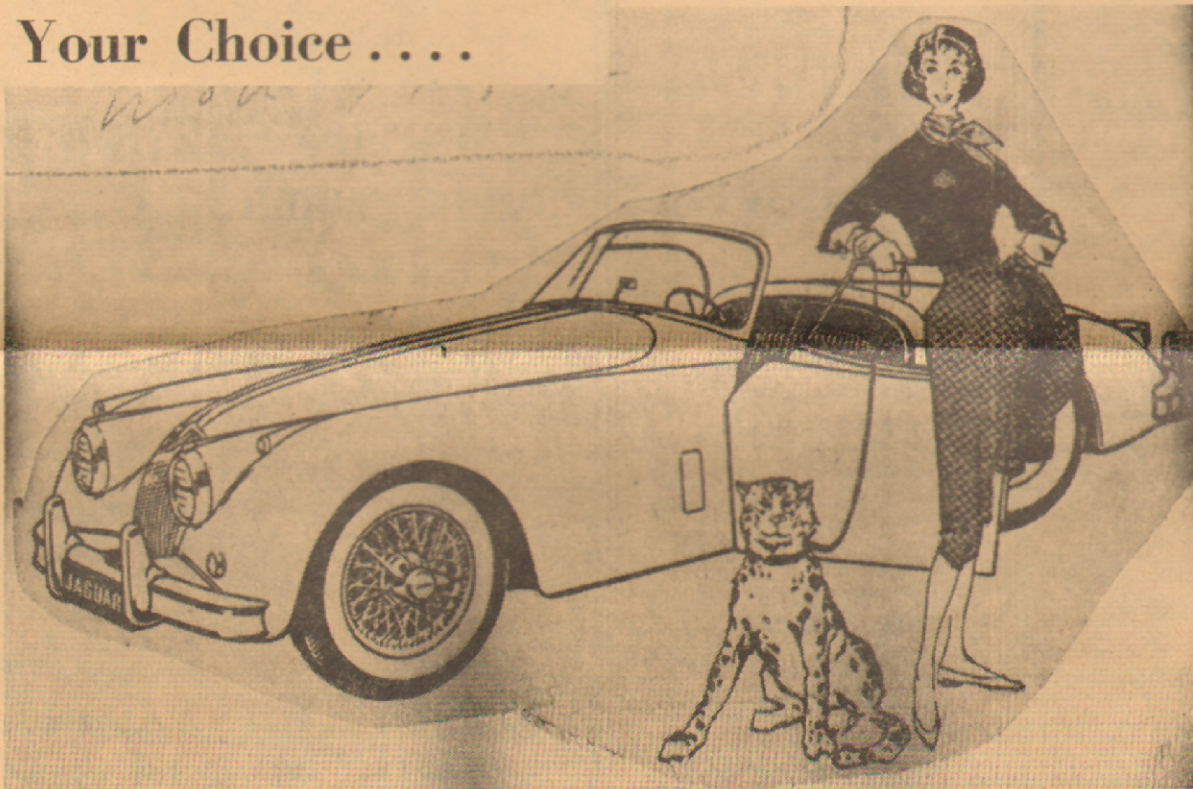
Heath

"The latter group is of special interest in relation to Spring Weekend; they typically drink continuously—day and night—every weekend. Using 180 proof cane alcohol, drink, pass out, and resume drinking as soon as they come to. Yet they never become hostile, sick, sexually aggressive, or 'hung over.' Perhaps we have something to learn from these so-called primitive people."

Ethno history

Both Giddings and Heath are hoping to establish a specialty at Brown in ethno-history, the attempt to apply anthropological methods to the study of history which will be greatly facilitated by the collections of the John Carter Brown Library.

Headquarters in Rhode Island for the Sports Car
of Your Choice



Jake Kaplan's Foreign Cars Ltd. of R. I. is authorized
dealer for

ALFA-ROMEO • BMW • FIAT • FACEL-VEGA
JAGUAR • LANCIA • MORETTI
PORSCHÉ • TRIUMPH

Through the years, Jake Kaplan has served hundreds of Brown men, among thousands of Rhode Islanders. Here at Foreign Cars you will find the car you want, the kind of deal you are looking for . . . backed up by superb shop and service facilities and a complete parts stock, second to none in the country. Make it a habit to stop in for anything in foreign cars. You'll find we have it. And we're easy to do business with.

Jake Kaplan's

FOREIGN CARS LTD. of R. I.

1 RESERVOIR AVENUE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Always the first with the finest

Subscribe
to the
HERALD