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BEHREND CENTER MAY HAVE NEW GYMNASIUM

Ida W. Ficker Named Advisor of Activities Com.

Miss Ida W. Ficker, instructor in German and English, is to head the new Activities Committee set up last week by T. Reed Ferguson, head of the Center.

Many and varied will be the duties of the committee composed of Miss Ficker, faculty advisor; Tom Pearce, president of Student Council; Ray Metz, freshman class president; and the respective presidents of all of the other campus clubs.

The new committee, scheduled to go into effect the second semester, will have as its main duties the setting of dates for the year's activities calendar. All clubs are to use this committee for a clearing house so that at least one activity per week can be worked out.

Probably the first function under the new set-up will come on the first Saturday of registration, Feb. 5.

THURBON TEACHES JOURNALISM CLASS

David G. Thurbon, acting head of the English department of Behrend Center, was appointed today to teach Journalism 10, newspaper reporting workshop course, in the coming semester.

The new section, approved by Professor Franklin C. Banner, head of the department of Journalism of The Pennsylvania State College, was first offered this past semester at the Hazelton and Pottsville centers. Carrying one credit and meeting once a week, the course will offer the simpler fundamentals of news, editorial, and feature writing.

Serving mainly as a workshop course for those interested in contributing to the student newspaper, the section is open also to engineers and students in all curricula.

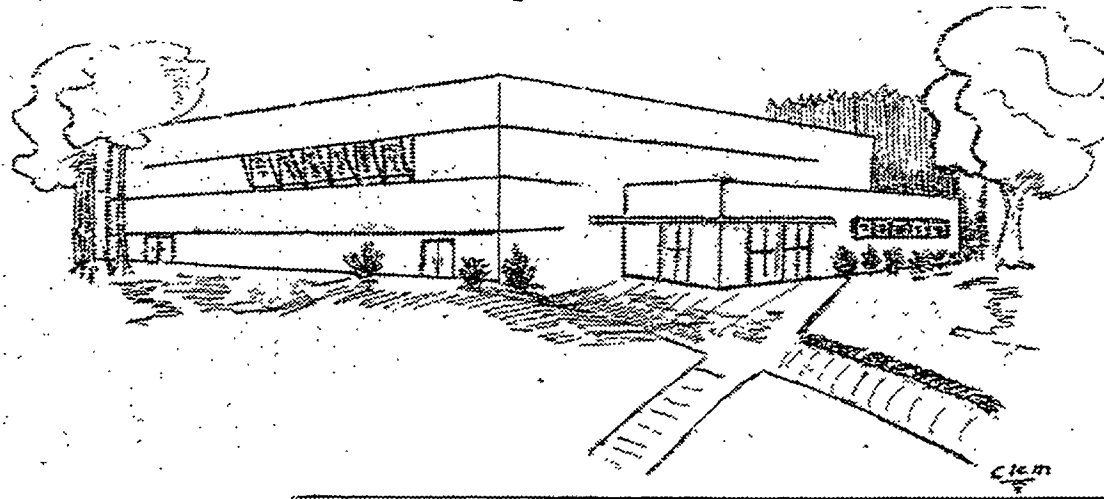
Mr. Thurbon is well-qualified to teach the course, having taken journalism as a related field subject during undergraduate work at the University of Pittsburgh, and having served under W. Don Harrison, well-known and accredited free lance writer and present head of the English department at Pitt's Johnstown Center.

Mr. Thurbon, himself, has written for several newspapers, and during his closing days of service in World War II served as a part-time public relations officer for the Navy.

EDUCATION STUDENTS PLEASE READ THIS

All education students should report to R. C. Henzi, assistant administrative head, their major and minor subjects as soon as possible so that second semester schedules can be made out promptly and correctly.

To Grace Campus in Future?



Artist's plan for possible Behrend gymnasium will be similar to Hazelton's

\$75,000 Building To House Armory And Class Rooms

Dig out your basketball trunks, polish your ROTC rifles, and practice up on your acting!

Word has just become official that tentative ideas for a \$75,000 gymnasium for our school are now being discussed by members of the Advisory Board of the Pennsylvania State College, Behrend Center.

At a recent meeting of the Board, initial discussion of the project was started when S. H. Campbell, State College official in charge of community service at Central Extension, presented an idea of what was being done at the Hazelton center. He brought also the plan of the Hazelton gymnasium (a line drawing of which is found elsewhere on this page), money for which is being raised by the Hazelton Chamber of Commerce. The gymnasium there will probably be completed by next September.

The plan for the Behrend Center gymnasium might be similar, although probably the architecture will be worked in keeping with the other buildings on the grounds.

There is no denying the need of a suitable building to house the facilities for a well-rounded physical education program for both men and women students. Specifically, the new recreation building would probably serve as a gym, armory, and assembly hall. It is hoped that a permanent stage can be added to one end to facilitate play productions and a variety of assembly programs.

R. O. T. C. would also have its place on campus as a result of the gym, because adequate space for winter drilling would then be available.

Offices, locker rooms, health classrooms and ROTC storage rooms would be present in addition to the main gym.

In order for the school to handle any adequate sports programs, especially basketball competition, the Advisory Board recognizes the need of the Center to have its own gymnasium. The Hazelton plan has been submitted to the Board, and a committee is

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Record Player, Sound System Added to Lounge

Clean those ears out and listen! A new Bell Sound System record player has recently arrived in the lounge.

In addition to the turn table speaker, there is another located in the rafters for the better dissemination of sound. A good feature of the new player is that it is a small portable and can easily be transported to the rink below the barn for ice skating this winter.

Ski Enthusiasts Plan Excursions

Of great interest to our Behrend Center skiers is the super colossal plan of Robert L. Rathfon, Ski Club President.

He has made considerable investigation down at State Park as to skiing conditions, and it is his desire to make up a group of about twenty-five students and journey down there for the weekend.

Sounds like a lot of fun, Bob, so come on all you B C's and don't forget to bring lots of warm clothes, 'cause we want to see you back next semester!

Two movies that will be of interest to the Ski Clubbers are being sent to Behrend Center. The first one will be here late in February, and the second one in early March.

Attention, Vets!

According to the veterans Administration Technical Bulletin 7-109, dated August 17, 1948, entitled—"Official Report of Compensation"—a veteran may submit a report of compensation for additional funds if the amount he has already received does not equal the maximum allotted. Any veteran who wishes further information on this can see Mr. Henzi at his office.

"Escape" Marks Dramatic Club's Initial Presentation

The Dramatics Club presented its first production, "Escape," by John Galsworthy, Friday evening in the Student Lounge.

The production, which was under the direction of William Horena, instructor in speech, was an episodic play with a prologue and was presented as one in a group of fine arts series under the College Service.

Members of the cast were Ray Reed as Capt. Matt Dennett; Gene Chesley, plain clothesman; Ray Sturgulewski, convict; John Pagonis, prison warden; Georganne Fisher, "lady in the bedroom," Penny O'Neil, maid; Judith Thomas, shopkeeper's wife; Mr. Horena, preacher; Dorothy Holmstrom, narrator; Nan Bierman, wife of the effeminate man; Judy Norton as Miss Dora; and Marilyn Garden as Miss Grace. Others taking part

included Gibb Brownlie, Sally Dickson, and John Falcone.

Moving and speaking well in typical fashion in this "book in hand" production, the cast took several parts each during the play.

No props were used, and the actors performed before the fireplace, with the audience separated from the stage by table device.

Mr. Ferguson Gets New Squawk Box

Calling Mrs. Adam! Calling Miss (hold your breath until June) McBeath! Calling all secretaries!

T. Reed Ferguson, head of the Center, now has a direct intercommunications system, to his office force, rigged up shortly after arrival by Dr. E. A. Quade, new mathematics and physics instructor.

New Instructor



Dr. Edward A. Quade, most recently acquired Center instructor, will teach physics and mathematics classes here.

Advisory Board Discusses Student Aid, Scholarships

The Erie Advisory Board of Behrend Center held its regular meeting recently. A majority of the members were present and certain problems were discussed that had arisen. Scholarships and student aid were discussed in great detail. If any of the students of the Center at the present time are in need of financial aid the Board is available and willing to help. Mr. Meyer of Erie is hoping to inaugurate fellowship in retelling and advertising for a deserving student.

The Board is also hoping to sponsor a new instructor in the near future. It is hoped that in the coming years there will be at Behrend a two year secretarial course with college credit for any students who might be interested.

BOOK STORE HOURS

Friday 3:30-4:30
Monday and Wed.... 2:30-4:30
Tuesday and Thurs... 1:00-2:00

CENTER ENROLLS FROSH FOR FEBRUARY TERM

A limited number of new freshmen students will be admitted to The Pennsylvania State College, Behrend Center in Erie for the Spring term, beginning February 7, according to an announcement made today by T. Reed Ferguson, administrative head of the Center.

New students may enroll in all of the regular curricula of The Pennsylvania State College with the exception of architecture, architectural engineering, and forestry.