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SECRETARY OF WAR AT COLLEGE OPENING

Newton D. Baker To Speak At Opening Assembly On September Fifteenth

Announcement has just been made that Secretary of War Newton D. Baker will attend the opening exercises of The Pennsylvania State College on September 15, and that he will deliver a message on collegiate military training that will be carried officially to all colleges in the country where military training is carried on. The promise of Secretary Baker to come to Penn State was secured by Dr. Sparks while in Washington last week.

Due to the great interest being shown in the question of universal military training at the present time, the visit of the Secretary of War will be of particular importance, for he will not only outline the policy to be followed during the coming year in collegiate military channels. While here, Secretary Baker is also expected to inspect the college military department. Penn State, together with all other land grant colleges requires two years of military training for all male students, unless they are excused because of physical disability. A branch of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps has also been established here, which offers voluntary work in military service during the Junior and Senior years. The men completing the four years work are offered commissions as second lieutenants in the reserve. During the last two years, the members of the R. O. T. C. draw their uniforms and commutation from the government. At the present time, about fifty Penn State students, members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, are attending the summer camp at Camp Devens, Massachusetts.

SUMMER SESSION CHORUS IN SUCCESSFUL APPEARANCE

The annual summer session musicale given by members of the music department last Monday evening proved to be a great success in every way. The cantata "Hilwath's Wedding Feast", from the well-known text by Henry W. Longfellow, with the musical setting by Colegride Taylor, the noted African composer who died recently in London, was admirably presented by the summer session chorus of ninety voices.

The chorus responded well to the masterly direction of Professor C. C. Robinson, whose very evident efficiency and musicianship was demonstrated by the fact that this difficult composition was rendered in a most creditable manner with but eight rehearsals. It also speaks well for the chorus who with accuracy and precision brought out the light and shade indicated by the conductor.

Professor Robinson was ably assisted at the piano by Mrs. Robinson, whose very sympathetic accompaniments added greatly to the success of the concert. The soloists, who are all members of the summer session were as follows: Miss Gertrude Schmidt, soprano, Miss Rebecca Baum, contralto; Mr. Maurice Kressley, tenor; Mr. George P. Carl, baritone, and Mr. Russell Blair, of Bellefonte, tenor.

MINING PICTURES TO BE SHOWN THIS WEEK

The work in the summer short course in practical mining is this week being aided by several moving picture shows. The pictures shown will illustrate an actual mine explosion and the rescue work following it, in which is used the breathing apparatus and appliances. Another reel shows Col. Burrell investigating the sensitiveness of certain animals to poisonous mine gases, particularly those resulting after a mine explosion, the main one of which is carbon monoxide. These films and several others will be shown Friday evening, at 8 o'clock in room 200, Old Mining Building. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

On Wednesday evening, August 4th in the Old Chapel will be shown four or more reels of motion pictures, showing the story of coal from the point where the mine is being prospected for, through the development of the mine until it attains a production as one of the world's largest mines, and showing the processes that the coal goes through until it is aboard export steamers.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE SUMMER SESSION FOR TEACHERS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

July 28 to August 3

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

- 10:00 a. m.—Auditorium Assembly.
- 7:00 p. m.—Open Air Theatre. Address by Thomas E. Finegan, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- 8:00 p. m.—Armory. Mixer and Reception to Dr. Finegan.

THURSDAY, JULY 29

- 10:00 a. m.—Auditorium. Mandolin Solo by Mr. Paul Shope.
- 2:30 p. m.—Old Chapel. Educational Conference.
- 7:00 p. m.—Front Campus. County Reunions.

FRIDAY, JULY 30

- 10:00 a. m.—Auditorium. Assembly.
- 7:00 p. m.—Auditorium. Recital by students in Music.

SATURDAY, JULY 31

- 8:00 a. m.—Old Chapel. "Great Americans", by Dr. E. E. Sparks (Postponed until August 2, 4:30 p. m.)
- 8:00 and 9:00 a. m.—Excursions, Hikes, Picnics, Trip to Penn's Cave, Inspection of College Buildings and Grounds, etc.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

- 7:00 p. m.—Open Air Theatre. Union Religious Service. Sermon by Reverend Robert Rush Reed, Iowa City, Iowa.

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

- 10:00 a. m.—Auditorium. Assembly.
- 7:00 p. m.—Open Air Theatre. "The Aims and Extension Work of National Federation of Musical Clubs" by Mrs. Frederick W. Abbott, Philadelphia.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

- 10:00 a. m.—Auditorium. Assembly.
- 2:30 p. m.—Old Chapel. Round Table
- 8:00 p. m.—Open Air Theatre. Summer-Session Play under direction of Mr. Deering.

SUMMER SESSION PAGEANT PROVES HUGE SUCCESS

As was predicted last week, "The Golden Dragon", which was presented in the Open Air Theatre last Friday evening, proved to be one of the most successful summer session pageants ever staged at State College. The scenic effects and the artistic beauty of the production would be hard to surpass and great credit must be given to those who staged the pageant and to those who took part.

A particular feature of the pageant was the clever dancing exhibited throughout. The various groups of Japanese dancers, in the 11th dances and the beautiful Wateria celebration showed the effects of careful coaching by Miss Ethel Sparks, under whose direction "The Golden Dragon" was produced. Miss Sparks also pleased the large audience with her solo dances.

It would be difficult to single out particular members of the cast for special commendation, for all seemed to enter into their parts so wholeheartedly. While the lines did not always run as smoothly as could be hoped for, this was undoubtedly due to the short time allotted to staging the pageant this year. In previous years, the pageant came a week later in the season. The success of "The Golden Dragon" is a tribute to Miss Sparks and to her assistants, Mr. Deering and Mrs. Haxner.

COLLEGE ROMANCE LINDS IN WEDDING CEREMONY

When Miss Julia Bostock, of Nutley, N. J., and Mr. Joseph W. Dean, of Tennessee, were married at one o'clock Monday afternoon, a romance of the past college year culminated at the altar. The wedding was a very quiet affair, and was performed at the Episcopal Rectory by the Rev. George E. Zachary, with only a few friends present. Miss M. A. Knight, dean of women, gave the bride away.

Miss Bostock graduated in the two-year Agricultural course at Penn State last June and since that time she has been helping to overcome the scarcity of farm labor by working on the college farms. Mr. Dean is a rehabilitation student who came to Penn State last fall and enrolled in the School of Agriculture. It was while doing work on "the hill" that he met Miss Bostock.

PENN STATE ATHLETES ON U. S. OLYMPIC TEAM

When the army transport leaving the United States Olympic team sailed from New York on Monday, two Penn State athletes were numbered among those present for the trip to Belgium, where the picked athletes from almost every nation on the globe will struggle for athletic supremacy. Harold Barron, captain-elect of the Blue and the American hurdles, while Larry Shields, captain of last year's team, will strive to carry the United States to the front in the 1500 meter race.

Both men served with the army in France, so that they are now on their second voyage across the big drink. However, this time it is a different A. E.—the athletic expeditionary force as one writer has put it. It is also interesting to note that both Barron and Shields won high honors in the 11 games which were held in France after the armistice had been signed. Barron won the championship in the final heat of the 150-yard hurdles at Boston two weeks ago, while Shields finished third in the mile, his favorite event, and both men are counted upon as sure point-winners on the other side.

Barron left college at the end of his Junior year in order to enter the service and he still has another year to compete for the Blue and White. Coach Martin expects him to return to Penn State this fall. Shields also missed two years because of military service, and he has still one more season in which to represent Penn State in addition to these two men who made Penn State this fall. Shields also missed four other Penn State men went for the final trials and barely lost out for places on the team. They were Way, in the broad jump, Emory in the javelin, Runyan in the pole vault, and Dean in wrestling. All of which is quite a creditable showing for Penn State athletes.

LECTURE POSTPONED

The fourth of the series of historical lectures being given by Dr. Sparks which was scheduled to take place next Saturday morning at eight o'clock has been postponed until Monday afternoon at four-thirty.

DR. FINEGAN WILL SPEAK THIS EVENING

His Only Appearance in State College During The Summer Session

Teachers, principals, superintendents, vocational directors, country ministers, and all others will have an opportunity of hearing Pennsylvania's new superintendent of public instruction, Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, in the Open Air Theatre this evening at seven o'clock. The largest turnout of the summer session is looked for and it is planned to give Dr. Finegan a rousing welcome. This will be the only time that the superintendent will speak at the 1920 session.

Dr. Finegan is comparatively a newcomer to Pennsylvania teachers, and yet he has already brought about some marked improvements in the state department of public instruction. His record in New York state gives ample indication that he is a true leader, and summer session students are sure to be interested in what he will have to say regarding Pennsylvania.

Dr. Finegan was born in W. Fulton, New York, in 1856, and graduated from the State College for Teachers, Albany, N. Y. in 1883. He pursued a law course, and was admitted to the New York bar in 1891. He received his M. A. degree from Hamilton College in 1894, his Ph.D. from the State College for Teachers in 1909, and his LL. D. from Colgate University in 1912, and from Hamilton College in 1917.

For six years, Dr. Finegan was a teacher in the New York public schools, and was principal of the public school at W. Fulton in 1889-90. He became supervisor of examinations for the New York state department of public instruction and held that position for twelve years, during which period the examination and certification of teachers in New York state was developed. From 1894 to 1908, Dr. Finegan was chief of the law division of the department of public instruction. He served as assistant commissioner for elementary education in New York state from 1908 to 1915, and became deputy commissioner of education from 1915 to 1919, leaving New York to become superintendent of public instruction for Pennsylvania, succeeding the late Nathan C. Schaeffer.

Dr. Finegan is a trustee of the State College for Teachers, he is a member of the New York State Instructors' Association, and the New York State Historical Association. As an author, he has written a text book on the New York School Law; "Judicial Decisions in Education"; "Teacher Training Agencies" together with numerous lectures and addresses.

At the conclusion of his lecture this evening, Dr. Finegan will be tendered an informal reception at the big mixer and get-together in the Armory. It is hoped that a great many will be on hand both for the lecture and for the reception.

WOMAN'S BUILDING HOLDS FANCY DRESS PARTY

The Woman's Building was the scene of a children's fancy dress party last Saturday evening, when the summer school students living there forsook their dignity for the time being and romped around to the strains of "Six O'Clock" Symphony Orchestra. The costumes were many and varied, with some "grown-ups" mingled in with the "children." And it proved to be a "regular" party in every respect, for during the course of the evening, refreshments, due to the heat of every "child", were served and the appreciation of those present was amply demonstrated by the manner in which the "social" disappeared.

HIG SOCIAL TIME: IN ARMORY TONIGHT

Quite a varied and interesting program is on tap for the big mixer and get-together to be held in the Armory at eight o'clock this evening and summer session students are sure to miss a grand and glorious time if they fail to be on hand. The various houses have arranged special stunts, (we can't disclose what they are, but take our word for it, they are good) refreshments will be served and a general good time will be had. Follow the crowd to the Armory and don't forget to have your name tagged on to you after you arrive.