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PRISON CLASSES SHOW MARKED IMPROVEMENT

Classes Are Held on Mondays and Thursdays—Discipline Is Well Maintained

With classes but a few weeks old, the inmates of Rockview Penitentiary who are enrolled in the courses of instruction conducted by the department of Engineering Extension with Dr. Fraser, Metzger, college chaplain, Mr. H. A. Rosine and Mr. F. N. Catherman in charge have been showing a marked improvement and have taken a great liking to the work. Men who were unable to read or write before entering the classes are now able to write legibly and read fairly well.

The classes in reading and writing now number forty-two pupils and are taught by Dr. Metzger and Mr. Rosine on Monday evenings, along with several students in accounting, bookkeeping and salesmanship. This instruction is given on Monday night while all classes in arithmetic, auto mechanics, drawing, electricity, heating and ventilating are taught on Thursday evening by Mr. Catherman. A class in English Composition is also conducted and numbers seventeen pupils.

Includes Many Types Included in the classes are men of all nationalities and races and the discipline in the class-room is of the highest order, probably due to the strict prison discipline which the prisoners receive. The number of students is increasing each week and it is not at all unlikely that additional instructors will be added in the near future. The meetings are held in a large auditorium, containing several rough benches and long tables with a large blackboard in the front of the room.

Have No Text Books Text books for the classes are not available and this necessitates the lessons being made up each week by the various instructors. It is practically impossible to use primers for reading as they are too elementary for the inmates of the penitentiary, among whom are several high school graduates besides a few college graduates enrolled in the advanced courses. The prison officials in a large measure are responsible for the success of the project due to the splendid cooperation they are giving the instructors.

PENN STATE CRABAPPLE CLUB IS REORGANIZED

Taking a new lease on life, the Penn State Crabapple Club was reorganized at a meeting of the old members held recently in the Horticultural Building. Membership in the old club had fallen off to such an extent that it was necessary to practically reorganize the club.

The energetic organization of today bears no resemblance to that of last month, yet it is one and the same. A new constitution was drawn up and adopted by unanimous vote. The new constitution provides for a president, four vice-presidents, one from each branch of the Department of Horticulture, a secretary, and a treasurer.

The following men were elected to guide the destinies of the Club for the following year: President, J. T. Grosh, '24, Vice-presidents, Pomology, L. R. Schultz, '24, Vegetable Gardening, S. C. Dreck, '24, Floriculture, A. O. Rasmussen, '24, Plant Breeding, V. M. Watts, '24; Secretaries, H. K. Fleming, '24, and Treasurer, A. M. MacDowell, '25. The regular meetings of the Club will be held on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

PENN STATE FOSTERS COLLEGE PRESS BUREAU

Following the plans of the Penn State department of Public Information and the Bucknell News Bureau, Wallace L. Robinson, Managing Editor of the Lancaster News Journal, gave an informal idea for the organization of a college Press Bureau at Franklin and Marshall College this week. Mr. Robinson, who is an alumnus of Franklin and Marshall, spoke before the members of the Press Club last Thursday evening and advocated the formation of such an organization at F and M, using the present Press Club as a nucleus.

The first speaker at the meeting was Hugh Nevin, Vice President of the Club, who outlined the ideals of the Club as they exist at present, and also spoke on the work for this winter. Samuel Reeder, a former president, also gave a few remarks on the general work and value of the Club.

Lots of fun and hilarity in the "Y" Course.

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PROF. BORLAND CONDUCTS EXAMS IN BABCOCK TEST

Professor A. A. Borland of the Dairy Husbandry department spent the latter part of last week at Philadelphia where he conducted the official test for certification of efficiency in the Babcock method of testing cream and milk. The examination was held at the dairy laboratories, a large analytical establishment, managed by Dr. H. C. Campbell, who was graduated at Penn State in 1900.

The state law requiring all persons who operate the Babcock test to pass an examination makes numerous additional duties for the Dairy Husbandry department of the college. This department is charged with the responsibility of conducting the examination for milk and cream testing for such applicants who desire to procure a certificate of proficiency.

Up to date 1139 persons have passed the tests and have become duly licensed operators of the Babcock test. The state act has been in force three years and has been a great help to the dairy farmers of the state for insuring to competent operators where milk and cream are bought and sold.

NEW YORK ENGINEER TO LECTURE ON PRODUCTION

W. S. Powers Will Talk on "The Control of Production" to Penn State Engineers

One of the most interesting lectures of the engineering series will be given next Friday afternoon by Mr. W. S. Powers of New York on "The Control of Production." Mr. Powers' lecture will be an illustrated story of how a plant increased its production sixty-two and one-half percent and materially reduced its non-productive labor by properly planning its work in the factory.

The material for Mr. Powers' talk is drawn from his own experiences as a consulting engineer. Mr. Powers is a graduate engineer, receiving his technical education at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. After several experience-building engagements, he was brought into contact with Henry L. Gantt, and worked under his direction in 1917 and shortly joined Mr. Gantt's death. Mr. Powers joined the staff of Miller, Franklin, Bassett and Company, one of the leading firms of consulting industrial engineers for the last twenty years.

While with this firm, Mr. Powers has played a leading part in approximately forty engagements, in recent years acting as one of its supervisors of field staff. In 1922, two members of Mr. Powers' firm published "Production Engineering and Cost Keeping for Machine Shops," the earlier or production chapters of which were primarily based on an installation made under Mr. Powers' direction. The salient points in these chapters have been abstracted and the important forms and photographs prepared for lantern slide display.

The story that Mr. Powers tells carries the listeners from the origin of an order through to the delivery of the product. Throughout, the purpose is not to merely show how it was done, but why each step was taken.

Mr. Powers has been giving this lecture to many prominent gatherings throughout the east during the fall, arrangements for his visiting Penn State being made through the efforts of Professor J. O. Keller of the Industrial Engineering Department.

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GLEE CLUB'S INITIAL PROGRAM IS SUCCESS

Fifty Songsters Blended in Harmony in Annual Pennsylvania Day Concert

The Penn State Glee Club presented its tenth annual Pennsylvania Day Concert before an audience that filled the Auditorium. The initial appearance of the club was highly successful and the program of an hour and a half did not have an uninteresting moment.

The fifty songsters took the stage well drilled and under the skillful baton of Director R. W. Grant showed great precision of attack, pure intonation and an intelligent regard for dynamic contrasts and gradation.

The singing of Parker's "Lamp in the West" the number which will be used at the intercollegiate contest was especially commendable for the long sustained pianissimo passages and finesse in shading and phrasing. The newly organized variety quartets acquitted itself with credit and received well merited applause. Reginald Fink '26, the assisting violinist, played his instrument in a way that caused many to predict for this young man a brilliant future as a concert violinist. Miss Betty Croil '26 assisted as soprano soloist and the audience applauded heartily at her spirited singing of the "Hallelujah Chorus" and "Angels' Serenade" that she has an excellent soprano voice and real interpretative ability.

"Our Own Penn State," the words written by Dr. W. S. Dye Jr., of the English department and the music taken from a Netherland folk song will soon rank with the leading college songs if applause showed the approval of the audience. The last number was a unison piece "Prayer of Thanksgiving." This song is used every year in the intercollegiate contest in New York in which thirty clubs from the various universities and colleges of the country compete. Those present on Saturday received a sample of what it would sound like with thirty organizations singing it in Carnegie Hall in New York.

The club was ably assisted by Assistant Professor of Music J. S. Schoonmaker at the piano and Mrs. Irene Grant at the organ. The concert marked the completion of a year's service with Director Grant. He has brought the club a wealth of professional experience and unbounded enthusiasm and the success of the songsters for the coming year bids fair to eclipse all records in the past.

YALE LAW JOURNAL WINS COMMENDATION BY CRITICS

The Number number of the Yale Law Journal is an unusually good number for the opening issue of the year according to the "Yale News." This journal is now recognized as one of the best of three best of American legal periodicals by a large part of the English speaking world.

This issue, as usual, consists of four leading articles representing the views of distinguished lawyers and legal scholars. Comments, each of which is a critical survey, about four pages in length, of an important recent court decision. Case Notes, which briefly analyze and place in proper legal background other important decisions, usually of American courts. Current Decisions, which are brief notices of interesting cases in which where the general law in connection with such cases may be found.

DEAN HOLBROOK SPEAKS AT MINERS' ANNUAL BANQUET

Dean Holbrook of the School of Mines was in Pittsburgh Saturday evening, November 10, where he delivered an address at the Sixth Annual Banquet given by the seventeenth bituminous mine district to operators, mine officials and miners. The subject of the address, was "Education in Mining."

DEAN SACKETT ATTENDS COLLEGE ASSN. MEETING

Dean R. L. Sackett of the School of Engineering is occupying a prominent place on the program of the annual meeting of the Land Grant College Association which is being held in Chicago on the first four days of this week.

The most prominent contribution by the Dean will be a paper on "The English Technical University," a subject of which little is known in this country. During the Dean's recent trip abroad, he visited several of the leading English schools during the opening days of the fall term in order to learn how they handle some of the problems that arise in our own schools.

Dean Sackett will also read in the discussion of two other topics, "The University and the Engineer" and "The Amount and Nature of Shop Work." During his trip, the Dean will make several inspection trips, among them being a visit to the sewerage treatment work of Indianapolis and the Testing Plant of the Chicago Drainage Commission in our own schools.

J. O. KELLER LECTURES TO SENIOR ENGINEERS

The lecture on "Early American Industries" given on Friday afternoon by Professor J. O. Keller of the department of Industrial Engineering came off second best in its competition with the house parties for the attention of the senior engineers. The third of the engineers whose girls had not yet arrived heard an interesting story of the struggles of the early American mechanics whose genius put the young republic in the lead as a manufacturing nation.

Mr. Keller related how in colonial days, all the iron foundries and forges were run on a moonshine basis owing to restrictions by England in order to eliminate competition with her own industries. In spite of difficulties, the Yankee mechanics made a reputation which placed them in the front among the mechanics of the world. The methods of interchangeable manufacture which are due to the Eli Whitney of the cotton gin fame, first became known in New England about the year 1800, in the manufacture of muskets. From this industry it spread to others until it was later transferred to Europe becoming known as the American system.

SYRACUSE FOOTBALL STANDS TO BE INCREASED IN SIZE

As a result of the apparently inadequate seating provisions observed at the recent Penn State-Syracuse game, three hundred and sixty seats will be added to the men's cheering section of the Syracuse stands, according to the recent announcement of Graduate Manager Thurston.

A near riot resulted on the occasion of the State game when the students having passed found the section reserved for them inadequate and invaded the reserved seats. Mr. Thurston, when informed of the inadequacy, said that it was the result of an oversight and deeply regretted the disorder at the Penn State game and is making sure there will be no recurrence by making adequate provision for the students.

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PROF. M. J. LISSE SPEAKS TO D. H. CLUB MEMBERS

Gives Lecture on Colloids—Club To Furnish Funds for Stock Judging Teams

Following a business meeting of the Dairy Husbandry Club last Wednesday evening at seven o'clock in room 259 of the Dairy building, Professor M. J. Lisse of the department of Chemical Agriculture delivered an interesting lecture on colloids to the members of the club.

The Dairy Husbandry Club has been a growing organization on the campus the past few years, and this year, under the presidency of Wilbur Solp '21, bids fair to be the banner year of the club.

The activity of the organization thus far this year has been directed toward raising sufficient funds to care for the expenses of the judging teams which will represent the club and college in the competitions with the other eastern colleges this year. The finance committee of the club under the chairmanship of S. Fuhrer '24 has been successful in raising the entire amount required for the activities of the coming year.

Sell Dairy Products An appeal was made at the meeting by Chairman Fuhrer for volunteers to assist in selling dairy products on Pennsylvania Day. This appeal resulted in a number of students signing up for the work and they conducted a sale Saturday with good results.

The Club has acquired a new sign for announcing its meetings. The sign consists of a large wooden milk bottle painted white and on this in black letters appears the time and place of the meeting. The credit for the making of this novel announcement board must be given to W. R. Willet '24 and Earl Myers '24.

Another suggestion made at the meeting was that the men enrolled in the dairy manufacturing classes be required to supply the necessary money toward the providing of benches in the dressing room of the Dairy building, as these benches were used mainly by the dairy manufacturing students. The matter was held over for discussion.

Speaker Creates Interest

Professor Lisse gave an interesting talk on the subject of colloids. The talk, while not so meritorious for the actual instruction it contained, developed the interest of the listeners in the subject of colloid chemistry as it is related to dairy manufacture.

Secretary of the Club H. W. Clark '24 will begin work within a week to make arrangements for the usual winter course of lectures given on dairy manufacture by outside men who are engaged in practical dairying.

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