

COLLEGE OFFICIALS CONFER AT CHICAGO

Convention of Land Grant Colleges Is Held in Interests of Higher Education

NINE REPRESENTATIVES GO FROM PENN STATE

Several officials of the college staff attended the meetings of the thirtieth annual convention of Land Grant Colleges which were held in the city of Chicago on November thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth. These meetings were attended by representatives from all the prominent land grant colleges of the nation.

Among the representatives from this institution were: President John M. Thomas, Deans R. L. Witts, R. L. Sackett, and F. D. Kern, Director M. S. McDowell, Miss Edith P. Chance, Director of the Home Economics Department, Dr. Myers, Professor R. A. Dutcher and Comptroller R. H. Smith. President Thomas and Comptroller Smith continued on to the Middle West, where they finished their tour of western colleges and the studies of their methods. The rest of the Nittany delegation, however, returned immediately to Penn State.

Special Sessions Held

In addition to the general sessions of the convention, there were special sessions held in Agriculture, Engineering, Resident Teaching, Research Work, and Extension Work. All of these divisions received special attention on the program and were outstanding for their good attendance and lively discussions of subjects vital to all land grant institutions.

Dean Sackett appeared on the program giving two discussions which were well received. Miss Chance was another of the Pennsylvania group that spoke in Chicago. She took part in the program of the special session that was arranged for the discussion of Home Economics subjects and problems.

Economics Stressed

The thing that was emphasized most of possibly all the matters that were brought up at the convention was the importance and place of economics in the training of technical students. This received much attention, all of the delegates being actually interested in it. The final decision made was to the effect that the study of economics could not be stressed too much or thought too generally.

The general session was addressed on Tuesday afternoon, November thirteenth, by the Secretary of the Interior, Dr. Work, and on Wednesday afternoon the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wallace, was the speaker that headed the list. The subjects chosen by both these cabinet officers were of national scope and therefore interested all of the assembled delegates.

The Chicago Penn State Alumni Association took advantage of the presence of several faculty people there to entertain them during their short stay in the Windy City. A get-together dinner on Wednesday evening was arranged as a part of the planned program and it was mutually enjoyed by both Penn State's former students and the faculty.

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FIRST SHOW OF YEAR IS GIVEN BY PLAYERS

"Castle" Is Well Received by Large Audience Last Night—Parts Are Well Played

In the presentation of "Castle," the melodrama by T. W. Robertson, the Penn State Players scored a distinct hit last evening before an audience which, happily, filled the Auditorium. The story of the play is in intense and the attention of the audience was held until the play closed, in a manner in which everyone wished it to end. It was a gripping presentation by an excellent cast, and at its close, compliments for the Players and their directors were to be heard on all sides.

The story of the play was that of a young Englishman who married below his station. The problem of his adaptation and that of his wife to their new life was solved successfully until a war came on. The young husband was called to the front, and his wife, not having him to rely on, fell from the joys of his estate, slowly sank back to her own. When her husband was reported dead the wife fled a most difficult future. Fortunately, however, the report was erroneous, the young couple were reunited and took their place in the estate in which they belonged.

Parts Well Taken

The lead was played by C. J. O'Donnell '25 and was portrayed in a fashion that only O'Donnell can play. In a situation of great emotional interpretation of a young man. It was a beautiful piece of acting. Playing opposite him was Lena Grassel '25 who gave splendid support to O'Donnell.

In the supporting cast, Mary Ferguson '24, Matchless and H. G. Hoelcher '25, played their parts in a fashion which was typical of their previous plays. Miss Margaret D. Jones '25 admirably played the part of Polly in her own charming manner. T. B. Coleman '24, S. Bous Levy '24 and F. D. Young '24 completed the cast and rounded out a splendid dramatic performance.

The acting throughout was characterized by players of experience and ability and special credit for these things goes to those in charge of the production.

Director J. C. Cloetinger and his assistants, who worked with the presentation, and took that further step toward his goal taken in the history of the Players' organization. The reception given this production was most favorable, and the position of the Penn State Players has undoubtedly been established as one of the most prominent student organizations on the college campus.

OLD RULE GAVE PENN STUDENTS HOLIDAY FOR BOOK DONATION

In colonial times any University of Pennsylvania professor or student who was willing to spend about two dollars and fifty cents could get a holiday any time he wanted it according to an old set of rules "for the guidance of the professors and the faculty," which contained the following clause:

"A holiday may be had by any person making a present of a book of ten shillings value to the library."

The rule was passed in 1752 and remained in effect for fifteen years.

KNOX CAFE

BASEMENT OF HOTEL

DR. KERN WILL AID IN RESEARCH AT PURDUE

During the first part of December Dr. F. D. Kern, of the department of Botany, will spend some time at Purdue University, Indiana, in connection with a research project under the auspices of the National Research Council, both Professors Kern and Orton of the Botany Department are connected with special research work on plant rusts.

The headquarters of the project is at Lafayette, Indiana. The cooperating institutions are The National Research Council, the United States Department of Agriculture, Purdue University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the Pennsylvania State College.

HARVARD REPUBLICANS FORM POLITICAL CLUB

Is Attempt to Promote Program for Presidential Campaign Next Year—Membership Is Large

Harvard Republicans have now organized themselves into a permanent body with established headquarters and an active program for the presidential campaign next year. With an undergraduate membership of approximately 1700, the Republican Club of Harvard first saw active service in the Harding and Coolidge campaign when prominent speakers addressed the student body, several hundred students were helped in voting by mail and six hundred undergraduates marched to Boston on October twenty-eighth, 1920, to take part in a torchlight parade, as was done in Roosevelt's time.

In order to attract young Harvard men in the right political direction and in order to make permanent in activity which has been so successful and in order to awaken an interest in politics and public questions the graduate committee has laid plans for a listing organization which will cooperate with the undergraduates in carrying on the work. The organization is now completed and all Harvard men who wish to enroll are urged to do so, thus resulting their allegiance to their college and their party. The name of this new organization is the Alumni Division of the Republican Club of Harvard.

During the past few years, the Harvard Republican Club has been fortunate enough to have for speakers many men prominent in national politics. Among these have been Hon. Joseph Gould Schumlin, present minister to China, Hon. Louis A. Coolidge '83, former assistant secretary of the Treasury, Hon. James W. Wadsworth, senior senator from New York State, Congressman Frederick W. Dallinger from Massachusetts, Sinclair Weeks '14, Honorable James M. Beck, Solicitor General of the United States and Theodore Roosevelt '89, assistant secretary of the Navy.

Advise members of the alumni executive committee are Henry Cabot Lodge '71, Louis A. Coolidge '83, Samuel D. Winslow '85, Louis A. Frothingham '88, Elliot M. Washburn '98, Frederick W. Dallinger '91, John Joseph Roosevelt '01, Gordon L. Mills '05, Arthur Woods '02, Theodore Roosevelt '09, Sinclair Weeks '14, Benjamin Louis Young '07 and Senator Henry W. Keyes '87.

PHILADELPHIA ALUMNI SMOKER DRAWS CROWD

Nittany Band and Adelphi Quartette; Furnish Entertainment for Two Thousand

The Alumni Smoker held in Philadelphia last Friday evening was such that it will not be soon forgotten by all those who were present for reason of the excellent entertainment and the enthusiastic gatherings that were the feature of the whole evening. At least two thousand alumni and students of Penn State were present in the Clover Room of the Bellevue-Stratford, where the affair was held.

The evening's entertainment was opened by a concert given by the Nittany band, dressed in its new uniforms. This concert was well received and was followed by several college yells which gathered greatly in putting pep into the gathering. C. C. Hildebrand '92 then made a speech of welcome and announced the different parts of the program.

Adelphi Quartette Sings

Several selections were rendered by the Adelphi Quartette as the next part of the program. These singers have an enviable reputation in Philadelphia districts and they proved without a doubt last Friday evening that they were deserving of all the praise they receive.

Following this singing, R. S. Fitch '24, Assistant Football Manager, gave a short talk telling about the making-up of the team and the prospects for the Penn game. This talk was especially well liked by the alumni, as it gave them some real idea of the strength of the team and chances that it had for the morning's game. The quartette next appeared, giving a pleasing selection and was followed by the band.

Roof Garden Show Given

The Philadelphia alumni were very fortunate in being able to obtain the Hotel Walton Roof Garden Show company for that evening, and the part on their show was the real feature of the evening's entertainment.

In this part of the program, several of the girls from the show gave special dances, one of which was a Spanish Tango. These dances were skillfully portrayed and the girls received many encores from their audience.

More selections by both the quartette and the band, along with several choruses and the singing of the Alma Mater, closed the formal program and opened the way to the Cities and Prolet Ford. As many of the audience had hiked and traveled several miles to see to Philadelphia, they had a tremendous appetite. It was soon shown that the committee in charge of the smoker showed foresight in supplying such a beautiful feed.

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PAUL H. SCHWEITZER JOINS ENG. EXT. STAFF

The Staff of the Engineering Experiment Station at Penn State has been augmented by the recent arrival of Mr. Paul H. Schweitzer who comes to the Nittany institution as an Assistant Professor of Engineering Research.

Mr. Schweitzer is well qualified to assist in the work of the station. He was graduated in 1917 from the Technical University of Budapest in the course in Mechanical Engineering and has had practical experience with various industrial companies in Germany, Austria and Hungary and with the DeLyle-Vergin Machine, Hoover Automobile, Oakland Motor and Yellow Coach Companies in this country. Mr. Schweitzer has spent much time in research on gas and oil engines and has contributed extensively to various American and foreign technical publications.

SENIOR ENGINEERS HEAR LECTURE ON PRODUCTION

D. M. Maxwell of New York, field manager for Miller, Franklin, Bissett and Co., consulting engineers, gave the latest of the series of engineering lectures in Old Chapel to the senior engineers last Friday afternoon. Mr. Maxwell, who had been substituted for Mr. W. S. Ewers, lectured on the "Control of Production." Illustrating his talk with slides showing the methods which had been installed by his company in the plant of the Warner Gear Company.

The lecture gave a detailed description of the various steps in the control of orders and material from the time the orders are taken and the material purchased until the goods are shipped. The information was given from the point of view of the consulting industrial engineer who sees the problems of the plant and works out his system to solve them. Most of the slides that were shown were of the various forms involved and paralleled very closely the work that is being done by the senior Industrial Engineering students.

ALUMNI BAZAAR AIDS COLLEGE BUILDING FUND

More Than Four Hundred Dollars Is Raised—Committee Thanks Helpers

More than four hundred dollars was raised at the Penn State Alumni Bazaar which was held last Saturday. This sum will be added to the three hundred dollars obtained by a drive held last year and turned into the University Building Fund for Women's Building at Penn State. Extensive plans for the affair had been made by the committee, with Mrs. Mary Thompson D. Le '05 as chairman, and the success of the bazaar is due in no small measure to the work of this committee.

The committee in charge of the bazaar has expressed its appreciation to the donors for their splendid support and contributions, to Mr. Eason for the free use of his new store-room on College Avenue, to the Hattala Club for the loan of apples, flowers and pot-plant, to the various merchants who contributed articles and to the ladies of the town who contributed to the bazaar booth. The bazaar also was new at Penn State and it is not unlikely that another one will be held in the near future.

MISS L. V. T. SIMMONS GIVES TALKS TO WOMEN'S CLUBS

Dr. L. V. T. Simmons of the German Department recently addressed the National Club of Holiday Inn, the Quill Club of Altoona and the Catholic Daughters of America on the need for more leaders for the women of Penn State.

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