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"Y" GROUPS ENTER ON DISCUSSION OF SECOND QUESTION

"Do Extra-curricular Activities Justify Themselves?" Is Topic Considered

IS OUTGROWTH OF FIRST ISSUE TO BE TAKEN UP

Leaders Feel That Point System Will Help—Students Have Complete Charge

Considering the question, "Do extra-curricular activities justify themselves," the leaders of the Y discussion groups met Thursday night to prepare for presenting the subject to the various groups The question was considered from various points of view in order to determine what benefits extra-curricular activities give to college students

The general feeling was that too small a number of students enter extra-curricular activities, particularly the honorary type of offices rather than those involving work, with the result that these students are overloaded with outside duties to such an extent that their studies suffer

It was decided that extra-curricular activities are run on a democratic basis, every man having an equal chance except in cases where possibilities are limited by previous lack of opportunities and experience

Point System

A point system was suggested as a means of distributing responsibilities, to include a greater number of students and to create an incentive for getting ahead The activities listed were publications, athletics, music, student government, class organizations, religion, dramatics, fraternities, and clubs. If sufficient interest is shown by the groups each of these divisions will be carefully analyzed, and needed changes in the existing system will be considered

Fewer Groups

--With fewer groups than there were last year, and with students rather than with faculty members leading the discussions, it is hoped that some fundamental thinking will be done by the student body In bringing to the students the question of activities the leaders will present a stand-

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THESPIANS WILL SELL MUSICAL PUBLICATION

Folio Contains Musical Scores From This Year's Show, "The Kid Himself"

Following a custom established three years ago of publishing in book form the musical numbers from its annual production, the Thespian Club is offering all the hits of this year's show, "The Kid Himself," in one complete folio This folio will go on sale in State College for the first time at the Music Room tomorrow.

This song collection, which proved so popular during the holiday trip of the players, contains the fifteen musical numbers presented. Some of the outstanding selections are "I've Been Looking For Someone Like You," a fox-trot written by C R Brinton '27, "Just We Two Together" a fox-trot by E H Coleman '27, and "Lanterns" a waltz written by L W. Fisher '28. All the lyrics were written by Hummel Fishburn and R B Smith '26

In addition to the musical numbers the folio contains the personnel of the Thespian Club and the complete cast of "The Kid Himself" also the members of the Thespian orchestra and of Widenor's band. While on the road, over 500 copies of the book were sold The price is one dollar.

G E Brumfield '26, production manager of the Thespians, announces that "The Kid Himself" will be staged in Tyrone in the Pennsylvania Railroad Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday evening, January nineteenth

PENN STATE GRANGE TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

Mr. J. A. McSparran, democratic candidate for governor in the last campaign, as past master of the Pennsylvania State Grange, will install the officers of the Penn State grange for the coming year tonight at seven-fifteen o'clock in Room 100 Hort.

After the installation, Mr. McSparran will address the body on matters of current interest in Grange circles He is a prominent farmer of Lancaster county and also a trustee of the College.

PENN STATE CLUB WILL START DANCING COURSE

Meeting regularly each week dancing classes will be held at the Hubbell school of dancing under the auspices of the Penn State Club. Classes will meet for the first time this week and the full course will include six lessons One section will meet Monday night at eight-thirty o'clock, while the two other sections meet Friday evening at eight and nine o'clock respectively.

This plan met with great success last year and it is expected that more than one hundred men will be enrolled. The opportunity to join this class is restricted entirely to non-fraternity men B T. Conrad '27 will be at the "Y" Hut Tuesday evening from seven to seven-thirty o'clock, to take the names of all those who are desirous of enrolling in the class.

PLEBE BASKETBALL TEAM IS SELECTED

Yearlings To Open Season With Johnstown High School in Armory Saturday

FRESHMAN QUINTS PLAY WELL AGAINST VARSITY

Scrimmage with the Varsity Saturday afternoon cleared up for Coach Killinger the difficult task of selecting a freshman team from an abundance of material, when his temporary first five succeeded in extending its more experienced opponent to the limit

While the game was rather listless the shooting on both sides was creditable. Guarding was loose, which accounted for the high score of 54 to 15 in favor of the Varsity. For the freshmen Delp and Monahan were the high scorers, the former leading all other players in the contest.

First Team Selection

Starting the game at the forward positions were Monahan and Jacobson, at center Brownstein and Delp and Wilson, freshman fullback and new addition to the squad, at guards. Steve Hamas who has been handicapped since the vacation with a sprained ankle played for a while in the second team game

In the game with Johnstown high school which is scheduled for Saturday evening at six-thirty o'clock this team will begin the game Hamas, if his ankle permits, may be used at forward in place of Jacobson.

Scrubs Play Well

The freshman second team also showed up well against the Varsity second team losing by a margin of two points. This five lined up with Reilly at the tip-off position, Saylor and Rinehold at forwards and Horn and Drum at the defensive berths During the game Delaney of Nanticoke high went in at guard and played a good game Kock going in at forward also displayed a fine brand of basketball.

The freshman game with Johnstown high will be played as a forerunner to the Varsity tilt with Susquehanna. The yearlings have been showing exceptional early season form in practice and should develop into a winning combination

EUROPEAN PROFESSOR TAKES POSITION HERE

Dr. Lorand Will Fill Chemical Engineering Post Vacated by Dr. J. E. Schott

In order to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dr J E. Schott, associate professor of chemical engineering, the School of Chemistry and Physics has secured the services of Dr Eugene Lorand, a graduate of the University of Budapest, Hungary.

After receiving the degree of Doctor of Engineering Sciences, Dr. Lorand spent six years as assistant professor at the university. He then became chemical director of the Anglo-Hungarian bank, where he was employed until he came to this country

Dr. Schott, who has been on a year's leave of absence has resigned in order to accept a permanent position as a member of the development division of the Atlantic Refining company at Philadelphia, where he is now employed. He has been a member of the department of chemistry at Penn State for five years

At present Prof. D. S. Cryder is taking charge of the courses formerly given by Dr. Schott but, beginning with the second semester, senior subjects in chemical engineering will be taught by Dr Lorand

CLASS GRAPPLERS CLASH SATURDAY ON ARMORY MATS

Tryouts for Three Underclass Teams Set for Tomorrow and Thursday Nights

COACH TESTS MEN IN FIRST REGULAR BOUTS

Outcome of Nine-minute Tilts Proves Disappointing to Wrestling Mentor

Wrestling activities at Penn State will be given the initial impetus when the senior, junior, sophomore and freshman grapplers meet in the annual inter-class wrestling match in the Armory Saturday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock.

Trials for the class teams will be held Wednesday evening at seven o'clock for freshmen and Thursday evening at the same time for sophomores and juniors. Selections for the 1926 team are practically completed, but any senior who wishes to try will be given an opportunity.

All contestants for the teams should utilize the week in scrimmage practice in order to be in the best of condition for the match

Nine Minute Matches

For the first time since wrestling practice began, Coach Leonard put his men through the regulation nine minute scrimmage bouts Saturday afternoon. According to the coach the results were somewhat discouraging. The men have been making good progress in the fundamentals of the game, but when pitted against an opponent in scrimmage they seem to forget what they have learned.

The men know the holds but have not reached the point where they have confidence enough in themselves to use them in scrimmage. However, the coach hopes through competition to develop ability and knowledge before the coming meets.

The first match of the season which is scheduled with Alfred university is slated for the twenty-third of January. Although Alfred is a smaller school than Penn State, it boasts some good records in wrestling during the four or five years of the existence of the sport there. Wrestling is popular at Alfred and occupies an important place on the sports calendar there

CANTON FUND DRIVE TO BE MAPPED THURSDAY

Student and Faculty Committee To Consider Tentative Plans at Dinner

In order that Canton Christian College students may have an opportunity to further their education at Penn State and that Nittany students may be sent to Canton to work, a committee is engaged in planning a drive to increase the Sunday chapel offerings which are regularly given over to the maintenance of the Christian college in Canton

The committee, which is composed of prominent members of the faculty and student bodies, headed by Dr. S W. Fletcher, will meet Thursday evening at a banquet to be held in the University Club and will consider ways and means of more completely filling the baskets which are passed among the chapel-goers each Sunday.

At this meeting the tentative plans will be finally discussed in detail before the drive starts Beginning next Sunday, an entire week will be devoted to the endeavor to show students where and why the money is needed. There will be speakers at daily and Sunday chapel and pledge cards will probably be passed out The services of the Sphinx and Blue Key societies have been offered to the committee

FORMER FACULTY MAN TO BE COLLEGE "PREXY"

When Dr. G F Zook, former head of the history department at the Pennsylvania State College, is inaugurated as president of the Municipal university of Akron, Ohio, January twenty-second, the college will be officially represented by Prof. C L Harris, of the department of architecture, his appointment as delegate being announced yesterday by the administrative committee of the college

The Penn State delegate will carry many personal wishes for success to Dr. Zook who was one of the outstanding members of the faculty here when he left five years ago to join the United States Bureau of Education at Washington where he became chief of the division of higher education.

CAGEMEN ELECT HOOD TO REPLACE McVICKER

Following basketball practice last night D. G. Hood '26, who has played on the Penn State cage squad for the past two years, was elected captain of the 1925-26 aggregation. The need for a captain was caused by the failure of Captain-elect McVicker to return to college last fall.

Chick last year won his letter at the forward position and two years ago was a member of the varsity squad.

JUNIORS CONSIDER MUSIC AND FAVORS

Wilkes-Barre Company Presents Novel Decorating Scheme to Prom Committee

FAMOUS BANDS SUBMIT BIDS TO FURNISH MUSIC

Although many of the incidentals connected with the Junior Prom were acted upon at a meeting of the Committee Thursday night, most of the attention was given to completing arrangements for the Armory decorations and the selection of favors.

The most novel decorating scheme thus far sent in has been given by Silverstein and Company, Wilkes-Barre. Working in conjunction with the Soph Hop committee on this phase of the affair, it is hoped a much more favorable price may be had by using the same decorators for both class functions Several other firms are working on appropriate designs and final word should come from the Committee within the next two weeks

No idea as to the type of favor the Committee may select was made known, but the contract will be given Thursday night. Any representatives desiring to submit favors should make arrangements with A C Alloway '27 at the Cuheco House before that time

Music Being Considered

As yet there have been no decisions reached on the Prom music Many orchestras have been consulted and their terms received Among them are Coon Sanders—Night Hawks, Ben Bernie, of New York, George Olsen and His Music, and Herb Wiedoft and His Orchestra Other famous leaders are being asked for their figures and no action will be taken until a thorough study of each band has been completed.

After the syncopators have been chosen the poster contest will begin For the fair most novel designs advertising the Junior Prom by each person there will given a complimentary ticket to the function. Placards should be done neatly and attractively in three colors with the date, the place, the time and the orchestra printed thereon Forty-eight in all will be received by the Committee and twelve free tickets issued

Bids for the checking privilege have been received by the group and if there are still others to be submitted they must be in the hands of By-

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COMMITTEE CONSIDERS PLANS FOR SOPH HOP

Selection of Orchestra, Favors and Decorations Discussed by Second-year Men

Meeting for the first time since the Christmas vacation the Sophomore Hop committee further considered the selection of the orchestra, favors, and decorating company on Thursday night

Reports from the various subcommittees were received by Chairman Belfield but no move was made to decide definitely any of the matters until further word is submitted by orchestra bookers, favor concerns and interior decorators

Orchestra and Favors

It is probable that action will be concentrated first on the orchestra and favors and then attention given to decorations, checking, refreshments, entertainment and other details The price has already been set at five dollars for freshmen and six dollars for sophomores and the date announced as March fifth.

Up to the present moment the following orchestras have been consulted and bids submitted The Memphis Five, Waring's Pennsylvanians, Maiberger, Ted Lewis, Pittsburgh Crusaders, Whitey Kaufman and Alexander Marr. At least twelve other syncopators have been requested to send terms to the Committee

Some of the fraternity jewelers and other firms who have demonstrated favors are Balfour and company, Hoover and Smith, Silvercrafters, Brochon company and Charles Eliot company. Thus far the two firms the Committee has considered to decorate the Armory are Silverstein and company, Wilkes-Barre, and Brown and company, Philadelphia

PLAYERS TURN TO MYSTERY PLOT IN NEXT PRODUCTION

Trio of Experienced Dramatists Secure Roles in Cast of "The Seventh Guest"

MISS M. D. REED GETS PART AS FEMALE LEAD

"Charley's Aunt", With Changed Personnel, To Perform in Adjoining State

Dropping for a time the light character of the comedies with which they have been working for the last few years, the Penn State Players are putting their whole-hearted efforts into the production of "The Seventh Guest," which entails mystery to the nth degree. A play of this type has not been attempted since the staging of "The Seven Keys to Baldpate," which met with great success at each showing.

Like "The Cat and the Canary," "The Seventh Guest" is made up of a combination of amusing and blood-chilling scenes and has the same general appeal. Although it has not been shown as yet in New York, "The Seventh Guest" ran for several months in Chicago last year and was proclaimed by all critics as the best in its class.

Three Roles Filled

Try-outs for this production were held last week under the direction of D. D Mason He has picked a tentative cast which will rehearse for two weeks and then be changed if it does not prove entirely satisfactory. Three roles, however, have been definitely filled

Miss M. D. Reed '28, who will be remembered for her work last year in "The Rescue," "The First Year" and "Children of the Moon," will play the part of Marlyn Herrick, the female lead. Miss D. Musser '27, who played in "The Children of the Moon," "Captain Applejack," "The Whole Town's Talking" and numerous one-act plays, has been cast as Vivian, and H. W Cohen, '26, will appear as

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CARTMELL LABORS DAILY WITH INDOOR TRACKMEN

Light Workouts To Prevail Till Examinations End—Weights and Half-Mile Weak

Anticipating the indoor track contests which will begin after the mid-semester examinations but with no engagements definitely scheduled the track team has been working daily under the direction of Coach Nate Cartmell.

Although there are only a few stars including Captain "Grip" Moore, Torrence and Stewart, Coach Cartmell hopes to present a well balanced team when it goes into action at the Intercollegiates in March The weakest events in the squad are at present the half-mile, the shot-put and pole-vault, but all of the other divisions seem to be showing promise.

Coach Cartmell plans to have the men train lightly until after the examination period and then will accept the invitations of the various meets that are presented In order to clear up a prevailing idea that at track events as the Milrose meet the whole team participates, the Lion coach stated that individual stars will represent Penn State at such contests

In the ranks of the freshmen, Cox seems to be in the limelight. Running against a field of some of the best milers in the country on New Year's night the fleet yearling romped away to a 4 minutes 25 seconds victory from the scratch. Cox may also be used individually in some of the important indoor events this season

DR. FOSTER HONORED BY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Dr I. L Foster, head of the Romance Language department, and who is now in his 31st year as a faculty member here, has been honored with election to the presidency of the Romance Language Section of the Pennsylvania State Teachers association

Dr. Foster has always taken keen interest in the affairs of this organization and at the last meeting presented his findings on tests showing that present day college students have smaller vocabularies at their command than those of some years ago. He gave the omission of Latin instruction in many high schools as one of the reasons for this condition.

LION FACES BETHANY QUINT HERE TONIGHT

West Virginians Expected To Offer Stiff Competition to Varsity--- Game at Seven O'clock

Although Bethany is rated as a class B team, the squad that Coach Nuss pits against the Lion quintet in the Armory tonight at seven o'clock promises to offer some stiff competition to the Blue and White and an interesting battle for the spectators

The West Virginians have developed a reputation for their snappy floormen and boast a number of capable cagers Coach Nuss is yet undecided who will represent the Bisons but it is likely that Rush, Peckman, Jaycox, Cochran and Addy will face Coach Hermann's proteges Reports from Bethany state that the team is in the best of condition and are traveling here with the intention of skinning the Lion

Nittany Lineup

According to latest indications, Saylor and VonNeida will hold down the guard posts with Hamas and Hood at forward positions and MacDonald at center The team as a whole has shown steady improvement since the initial post-holiday practice last Tuesday and should prove a powerful combination when the season reaches the peak

Play in the game between the plebes and the Varsity Saturday afternoon was listless and could not be taken as a criterion for the strength of Hermann's men although the senior combination took over the yearlings to the tune of 54 to 15. Mike Hamas, although not in mid-season form, chalked up a number of beautiful shots from difficult positions and should prove a scoring ace in the coming games

Guard Positions Strong

MacDonald has undoubtedly shown more improvement in his work than any other veteran on the team His play at pivot and his shooting under the basket, especially on follow-up

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Semester Registration Will Begin Tomorrow

Registration for the second semester begins in the Armory tomorrow morning at eight o'clock and continues until Saturday at noon. There will be no evening or Saturday afternoon sessions At the time of registration every student is absolutely required to pay his fees

EXTENDED USE OF "Y" CABIN FAVORED

Harrisburg "Telegraph" Editor Suggests Plan—Promises Personal Support

COLLEGE LEADERS LAUD LYTLE CABIN MOVEMENT

That he would like to see groups outside of the College use the Andy Lytle Memorial Cabin was the statement made by Mr. E J. Stackhouse editor of the Harrisburg *Telegraph*, following a recent interview with Carl Calhoun '25, secretary of the freshman Y. M C A. Becoming enthusiastic over the proposition and promising personal support Mr Stackhouse intimated that the prospective outside organizations would be in the nature of the various state "Y" committees

For the purpose of securing the remaining financial aid necessary to complete the mountain cabin, a committee was appointed consisting of Dean R. L Watts, chairman, Dr. I L. Foster, treasurer, W. J Kitchen, secretary, Dr S W. Fletcher, Miss Caroline Hahman '26, D D. Henry '26, Donald Wyman '26, Calhoun, and E W. Conrad '27 An attractive booklet depicting the various features of the cabin in addition to illustrations has gone to the printers and will be ready for distribution in a few days. This is one of the initial steps taken by the newly-formed committee

Because of weather conditions work on the cabin has been held up With the roof about to be constructed it is expected that the remaining portions will be completed and the cabin ready for use by early spring Regulations are expected to be drawn up within a short time stating the conditions under which any official Penn State organization can obtain the building

Testimonials coming from men-

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COLUMBIA GLEEMEN TO APPEAR HERE FEBRUARY

New York Songsters Have High Rating—Concert Is at End of Western Tour

Coming here at the end of an extended tour in the West the Columbia university Glee club will give a joint concert with the Penn State Club in the Auditorium Friday evening February fifth The Columbia gleemen comprise an organization of thirty-six men among whom are an assisting vocalist, an instrumentalist and the varsity quartet

As member of the Intercollegiate Musical Corporation for years the New York club has always won for itself a uniformly good rating Their numbers have been arranged with care, and they will present a variety of high class music in the coming program here Although the Penn State club gave a concert here only a short time ago then repertoire in the February entertainment will consist entirely of new selections. Filling then usual role as fun-makers, the Varsity quartet will give several groups of humorous selections during the evening.

To add to the program the committee in charge has arranged for an all-college dance in the Armory immediately after the concert. Widenor's orchestra has been secured to furnish the music and the committee plans to make the affair a success Tickets may be secured at the advance sale at Co-op on Tuesday evening, January twenty-sixth at seven-thirty o'clock, or from any member of the Glee club and will admit the holder to both concert and dance

TOURNAMENT TO DECIDE CHESS TEAM PERSONNEL

Results Will Determine Rank of Contestants—Team Matches Pending

To determine the personnel of the chess team which will represent Penn State the Chess Club will continue its present tournament until January twenty-eighth On that date the competition will be closed and the men will be rated according to the results of the games played

Anyone interested may enter the matches by attending the meeting on Thursday night at seven-thirty o'clock in Room 28 Liberal Arts Details may be obtained from R. S Leach 201 Watts Hall

At the weekly meeting of the Chess Club Thursday, plans were discussed for presenting the members of the team with special watch charms at the end of the season This year's schedule has not been completed A match with the University of Pennsylvania is pending while engagements with Williamsport and Bucknell are almost certain

J R Musser '27 has been elected vice-president and Israel Kamberg '29 secretary-treasurer, to fill the offices left vacant by the failure of T F Webb and H S. Eden to return to college

Chapel-goers Hear Dr. F. W. Tompkins

Using "What Sayest Thou Thyself" as his text, Dr F. W Tompkins, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity in Philadelphia, delivered the sermon in the chapel service Sunday morning

"What could we answer to this question?" Dr. Tompkins asked. "Do we really know as much about ourselves as we sometimes pretend to know?" "People of today fall down in the definite things of life," declared the speaker "In order to be a success rather than a failure in life one must attack his respective problems with a definite aim in view Even the certainties of life lack the power of an exactness of purpose"

"We cannot expect to do things to day as they ought to be done if we do not have a partial vision of the future," said Dr. Tompkins "Furthermore, if we know the facts of the past we are able to get a more definite view of the future" He closed by declaring that our main purpose in life is to be of service to others,