"Professors Not Old Grannies" Asserts Gravy Garver---Life Proves Statement

Professors are decidedly not old grannies! If some more obdurate apprentice to learning should disagree and ask for proof of this somewhat flat statement, Penn State could proudly point to Professor M. M. Garver of the department of Physics

Professor Garver was emphatic in denying the justification of the application "softy" when applied to faculty members in a speech before the Pittsburgh alumni last Friday evening More than one hundred were present at the alumni banquet held at the University Club and it was the consensus that Gilliver proved his point

When questioned, Professor Garver divulged some of the high lights of his brilliant career Recorded in tabloid form they constitute absolute proof to the statement that "professor" and "granny" are not analogous

Versatile Career

"Gravy", as the physicist is affectionately known, has been soldier, cowboy, athlete—these are but incidents in his career of versatility At the age of sixteen he joined the army and upon his release a year later travelled to the wilds of Colorado to do two years of "bullwhacking" During this period he wintered several miles south of Pike's Peak, toughening himself by using snow as a blanket in cold weather

Professor Garver is a Pennsylvanian by birth, yet he has voted in New York, Newark, Greeley, Colorado and numerous other places. After taking a course of study at Rockford academy in Illinois, he entered Cornell university.

While an undergraduate he rowed on the Cornell crew and attained such recognition as a student that he was named assistant to the professor of physics During this period he made an extended experimental investigation of the transmission of sensation and volition through the nerves, the results of which were published in the *American Journal of Science*

After receiving his sheepskin from Cornell in 1876 Professor Garver taught at Mercersburg academy, returning to his alma mater as an instructor in mineralogy and assaying

The versatile scientist next turned his attention to electrical engineering, becoming superintendent of the United States Electric Lighting company plant in Philadelphia, which position he held for three years

He then became engaged in the manufacture of surgical instruments for a short time, but returned to the electrical field as assistant electrician and general manager of the Weston Electrical Instrument company. In this capacity he took out several patents for inventions including new instruments and improvements on old ones

Professor Garver chuckled when ye scribe inquired as to whether the current reports that he had invented the Westinghouse air-brake were true He said the rumors were groundless, they having doubtless arisen from the fact that he took out patents while with the Weston Instrument company.

While connected with the Queens company, Professor Garver perfected several electrical measuring instruments and secured patents as a result of some novel experimentation. One of these was a hot-wire voltmeter which took a medal in the World's Fair in 1893

"Gravy" was the first man in the United States to ride on an electric railroad—a rather rare distinction! He was with Vandepool in Chicago when he perfected the original "Toonerville Trolley"

Since coming to Penn State in 1893 Professor Garver has turned out numerous scientific works and has attained recognition as an expert in certain lines of electrical measurements His work at Penn State has been of inestimable value and has won for himself the admiration of students and faculty alike

For Eight Years—

In concluding, "Gravy" questioned ye scribe as to whether he had missed any classes the past semester. Privately wondering what was coming next, the guilt was naturally admitted.

"Do you know", he said, and the twinkle in his eye belied an assumed expression of severity, "For eight years I did not miss a single class at Penn State". We gasped, and seeing that we were not effectually squelched, he added, "nor was I tardy during that period" Further investigation proved that with the exception of one week during which he was attending his mother's funeral, Professor Garver met every one of his classes on time for a period of sixteen years

That was too much. Paying silent tribute to one so punctual, we grasped our aged lid and departed, thinking inwardly of the advisability of calling the professor "tough eggs" and our own collegiate selves "grannies".

SUCCESS MARKS THESPIAN DEBUT

"The First Year" Scores Success on Second Tour—To Play Here March Sixth

MANY GUESTS THRONG TO INITIAL LOCAL SHOWING

Playing to the strains of Russ Widenor's band before a crowded house, the Penn State Thespians gave their first local performance of "The Kid Himself" in the Auditorium Saturday night Written and played entirely by Penn State students and directed by Maurice Darey, representative of the Ned Wayburn studios, the show was excellently put across and was enthusiastically received by the large audience

The title role was played by J. L Nelson '27 and dealt with Kid Burns, a professional prize-fighter and his much-opposed love affair with Sally Merrill who is R W Graham '27 off-stage The love affair is opposed by Sally's parents, interpreted by H H. Brimmer '27 and H W Pennington '26, who are strong for the union of Sally and Duke Chesterdale, played by J. H Vance '27 After the duke is proved an imposter the Kid is finally accepted as a son-in-law by Mr and Mrs Merrill

In the scene of the first act at Pinehurst, North Carolina, Kid Burns meets Sally The setting for this act is a lawn of a Carolina hotel The chorus is clothed in vari-colored sports costumes, the "girls" in white skirts and red or yellow flannel coats and the men in blazers and light knickers

The scene changes in the second act to the Spanish estate of the Merrills in Madrid This is an interior setting profusely decorated in black and gold, with a gate leading out to a garden in the rear The chorus is dressed in Spanish costumes for this act and in order to put over some of the Spanish numbers the leads also assume the attire of the don and his señora Prominent in this act are Jim Atkins, played by D D Northrop '27 and S. C Runkle '27, as Marjorie Ware, who help make a success of the Kid's love affair

The third act takes place in the palatial home of Kid Burns at Rye, New York, on the Hudson Evening attire and immaculate flannels are much in evidence in this act, for the Kid is now the husband of Sally and he has given up his career in the prize-ring for the social life of a gentleman Even a very attractive offer from the Kid's former manager, Dugan, played by P. J Farley '29, fails to elicit any interest, showing that the Kid has really foresworn the ring for good.

The wide diversity of musical numbers was probably the most attractive feature of the whole performance Jimmy and Marjorie have several of the numbers while the Kid and Sally also appear quite a few times. The negro songs, however, were greeted with the most enthusiasm. These were sung by Lindy and Jackson, J E. Kennedy '26 and R. G Kennedy Jr '28, and the bell-boy, played by L Zaconick '29. Although the negro parts had nothing to do with the development of the plot, it enabled the producers to introduce several specialty numbers and much of the humor of the play.

The Charleston was very much in evidence throughout the performance which featured every phase of the dance from the ball-room Charleston to the original step as interpreted by the negro characters. Besides these dance and song selections the numbers "I've Been Looking for Someone Like You" and the waltz "Lanterns" were probably the best received The former was sung by the Kid and Sally while "Lanterns" was a purely chorus number with the solo sung by E M. Peck '27, of the male chorus

In the second act, several Spanish numbers were introduced including a Spanish dance, a tambourine dance and the "Sunny Land of Spain" sung by the Kid The outstanding feature of the third act is undoubtedly the exhibition Charleston danced by Jimmy and Marjorie who are later joined by the entire company Jackson Lindy and the bell-boy are injected into every act and are always the signal for roars of laughter and enthusiastic calls for encores The chorus, too, proved very efficient in the knowledge of numerous intricate steps and several musical numbers

INTERFRATERNITY BOXING TO START TOMORROW

Interfraternity boxing will get under way tomorrow evening at seven-thirty o'clock when Phi Gamma Delta meets Phi Kappa Sigma and Lambda Chi Alpha clashes with Sigma Pi Thursday at the same hour Beta Sigma Rho will pair off with Alpha Sigma Phi while Delta Sigma Phi encounters Theta Upsilon Omega. The drawings for Friday evening find Alpha Gamma Rho lined up against Phi Epsilon Pi and Delta Kappa Sigma against Pi Kappa Alpha

Intercollegiate rules will prevail during the bouts No yelling or rooting will be allowed. The teams must weigh in at one o'clock on the day of the meet No man who has boxed in a regular collegiate match is eligible. All boxing managers are to furnish their own equipment and seconds

LION TOSSERS WIN AND LOSE ON SECOND TRIP

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were tossed from mid-court, although he only counted once in the first half

The Nittany defense was impenetrable during the entire contest and the Hilltop team was forced to take every shot at least twenty-five feet from the basket

Navy

Meeting with less success the following night, the Blue and White courtmen were downed by the superior shooting of the Academy passers Coach Hermann's men broke through Navy's defense but the shooting was bad and opportunities for scoring were thrown away

Both teams fought hard through the entire contest especially during the first few minutes, neither team counting until five minutes had passed. Saylor scored first but Penn State soon lost the lead and was unable to regain it.

Shots by MacDonald, Von Neida and Saylor tied the score at various stages of the game, but the Nittany combination was unable to forge ahead and was lost when Jones and Parrish counted and put the Sailors in the lead. Captain Hood and Saylor were the individual stars for the Varsity.

The Line-ups

Penn State—30		Georgetown—19
Saylor	F	Nork
Hood	F	Ryan
MacDonald	C	Johannes
Von Neida	G	Vukmanic
Barron	G	Gillitz

Substitutions—Donovan for Nork Havlin for Ryan, Tomaini for Johannes Hickey for Vukmanic O'Leary for Gillitz, Kent for Saylor, Lane for MacDonald Lungren for Von Neida Green for Barron

Field goals—Hood 5, Saylor 4, MacDonald Von Neida, Barron Nork 3 Ryan 2, Havlin Tomaini 1

Penn State—21		Navy—21
Saylor	F	Craig
Hood	F	Parrish
MacDonald	C	Hamilton
Von Neida	G	Graf
Barron	G	Jones

Substitutions—Hill for Parrish Plippen for Hamilton, Howard for Graf, Sleasby for Jones Kent for Saylor, Saylor for Kent, Page for MacDonald Lungren for Barron

Field Goals—Craig, Parrish 4 Hood, Hamilton, 4 Saylor, 2 Von Neida, Lungren Graf Jones 1

Dr. Gilkey Talks at Assembly Tomorrow

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M C A offices, Room 424 Old Main. Anyone who desires to talk privately with the Illinois pastor about social or moral questions may meet with him at that time or at any hour during the afternoon of Wednesday, Thursday or Friday

Being the guest of honor of the State College Rotary Club at five-thirty o'clock tonight Penn State's prominent guest will journey to the Centre Hills country club. There he will address the business men and return to the College to speak to the combined meeting of the Interfraternity and Intramural councils at seven-thirty o'clock

Meets Townspeople Thursday

It is probable but not certain that he will meet with the Advisory Board of the Y. M C. A. at nine o'clock. Besides the convocation tomorrow and the conferences in the afternoon Dr. Gilkey will begin the series of three evening lectures at seven o'clock in the Auditorium In these direct appeals to reason Gilkey will attempt, with his characteristic attack, to answer the question, "Does the college man need religion?"

Pastor of "Bez's" Church

With no special engagement arranged for Friday morning and afternoon the theologian will probably visit various fraternities and continue the private conferences The lecture at seven o'clock will mark the final message to an audience on his stay here. He will depart for home late Friday night.

At present Dr. Gilkey is pastor of the Hyde Park Baptist church on the campus of the University of Chicago This same chapel was the church attended by Hugo Bezdek, the Nittany mentor, while enrolled at that institution The prominent Christian worker is also a trustee at the college and has recently been proposed as president.

Wide Experiences

At the many American institutions of higher learning where Dr Gilkey has spoken his success has been immediate Some of the places where he has won commendation this year are Harvard, Miami, Cornell, Dartmouth, Brown and Illinois Furthermore he has spoken to every state university in the Middle West and has been university preacher at Harvard, Yale, Chicago, Vassar, Smith, Mount Holyoke and others.

As Barrows lecturer, the highest honor a speaker of that type may receive, he has spoken to forty thousand people at the six student centers of India including Bombay, Lucknow, Lahore and Calcutta. The greater part of a year was spent in this work, presenting the truths of christianity in a "friendly and conciliatory way to the scholarly and thoughtful people of India"

Dr Gilkey graduated from Harvard in 1903, then going to Oxford where he continued his studies From the latter he received advanced degrees in 1905 Continuing his studies along religious lines at Union seminary, England, he was graduated from that institution in 1908

Because of the manner in which the prominent scholar has exploded patented ideas concerning certain creeds, traditions and cultures of the church Dr. Gilkey has been termed the "Foshick of the West." Gilkey makes no attempt at emotional appeal but makes his teachings effective through the brilliancy and directness of his word-pictures and the conciseness of his illustrations

He directs no effort at "spellbinding" but, in his own words his lectures are designed to present "a straightforward and sober appeal for the place of religion in life and in the daily experience of thoughtful students as well as everybody else"

When he is not engaged in speaking or conferring Dr. Gilkey usually indulges in a lively game of handball or a friendly match of bowling to "keep in trim." In the season of 1907 Gilkey held a varsity berth as pitcher on the Harvard nine Since that he has manifested an interest in athletics although he cannot devote the time to them he would like

Among other prominent religious students and teachers Dr Gilkey is referred to as simply "Charley" His present home is in Chicago with his wife and two children. The famed visitor anticipates testing the strength of the local faculty bowlers while here

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