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**CHINESE STUDENT TO WORK IN
HOMELAND AFTER GRADUATION**

Mingling with seekers of the B A degree and with industrious graduates pursuing higher honors, Edwin K. Wong, the only Chinese student at Penn State and a graduate student in ceramics, delves into technical volumes and listens to engrossing lectures with the express purpose of amassing knowledge which will enable him to take an active part in the construction of a new China.

"Yes," he said to a visitor recently, "I'm working on my master's thesis now. If I don't flunk anything, I'll be through in June. Then I'm going to work in an American plant for some time to get more practical experience. But very soon, in less than a year, I hope, I'll be on my way to China to teach, work, or to engage in research—anything which will help me to take a deserving place among the nations of the world."

"Here, you see, I'm sending applications to China already." He passed a typewritten sheet to his listener. It listed qualifications, accomplishments and some biographical data.

He was born in a village near Canton, in the province of Kwangtung, China, was graduated from Cleveland high school, and in 1928 received the Bachelor of Science degree in ceramic engineering from Ohio State University, the data revealed.

Interested in China, Wong is preparing his master's thesis on "A Study of the Effect of Varying Composition on the Properties of Coated Enamels for Cast Iron and Sheet Steel." He has spent three summers in practical plant experience.

His choices as to the kind of work he would like to do are, "engineering in Whangpoo Harbor, construction of other engineering services in China," "teaching in Lingnan or other universities," or "research work for the government or private concern."

Every reference to China or Chinese affairs brought a reply replete with personal interest and concern for the country's progress. He continually spoke of "our problems," "obstacles to our development," "we will be forced to overcome that," "the discouragement we encounter," and "in a few years we will make substantial advancement."

"No, I don't feel discouraged with my job, because in colleges and universities there are many working just as I am. Columbia university is educating more than a hundred Chinese students," he pointed out. "Many of

them have the same sincerity of purpose as I have."

Wong is intensely interested in science, "because in that capacity I can best serve my fellow-countrymen." He keeps in touch with his homeland by reading newspapers from the active centers of China.

In spite of hard work during the summer and concentration to his courses in college, Wong finds time to assimilate ideas on every-day matters from his associates.

"I am often deeply amused by the impressions of China which even well-educated people seem to carry," he said with a chuckle. "It is true that in the interior of the country age-old customs are still adhered to, and old fables may be found here and there. But these customs are constantly disappearing under the influence of the common educational system, and the old fables are gradually passing away."

"Something that interests me is the large number of vegetables in China that escape notice, while rice is considered to be our lone food. There are more varieties of vegetables in China than there are in the United States. I'd like to name a few for you, but I can't find corresponding foods here, and the names can't be translated."

Will Recognize China
"Why, the chop-suey that you eat here is not real chop-suey at all. The American public could not afford to pay the dollars and dollars for the price of Chinese vegetables and the high tariff."

"Rice to the Chinese is like spaghetti to the Italians. Sweet potatoes are common in China. However, rice is the most popular substitute for bread."

"Another well-known notion that is out-of-date now is the binding of feet. It is probably ten years or more since the practice was forbidden by law. Women who have had their feet bound may release them or continue the binding, but the feet of young school girls are no longer bound."

"The abolition of customs such as this one indicates the progressive spirit of the new generation," Wong summarized. "Realizing that China needs an universal education, we are moving in that direction constantly. Hundreds of Chinese students are going and returning from foreign educational centers year after year—men who take up work in all walks of life. The potential materials are there, and one of these days, no doubt the Powers will give China the recognition and respect to which she is entitled."

**Dean Steidle Decries Lack of College
Graduates in State Mining Industries**

Only sixty students a year are being graduated from Pennsylvania colleges and universities with technical qualifications in mining and metallurgy capable of fitting them for the control of the mining and mineral industries of the State, according to Dean Edward W. Steidle of the School of Mines and Metallurgy.

These industries alone are valued at more than one-third of the State's productive industrial wealth. Pennsylvania ranks twenty-first in training men for these fields.

"The few men have been taken up rapidly by the industries, and there is an urgent need for many times the sixty now being graduated each year," Dean Steidle declared. "The Commonwealth must educate itself to a recognition of the dearth of technically trained men in the mineral industries."

"Inventions, scientific discoveries and research are hurling problems at the industries at a more rapid rate

than ever before," the dean continued. "They are in a dynamic state. Competitive conditions demand extensive programs of research conducted by trained technicians."

Dear Steidle, who recently completed a survey of the mining and metallurgical interests of the State, called attention to the fact that out of 6500 students taking technical courses in approved Pennsylvania colleges and universities, only 413, or 6.3 percent of the number, are enrolled for degrees in mining, metallurgy, geology, or ceramic courses. He pointed out that 63 percent of the State's technically trained men are trained to maintain forty percent of the industries.

In conclusion, Dean Steidle declared that in making a comparison of Pennsylvania with other states as to a dearth of students being trained along mineral industrial lines, he found that Pennsylvania has only 2.8 percent students for each ten million dollars worth of annual mineral products.

The Oregon plan of debating will be encouraged by Penn State orators for the first time in the last contest of the season against Dickinson at Carlisle, Friday.

Dickinson will take the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, That Trial by Jury Should Be Abolished." Although the Oregon system may be used for three or more debaters, it was originally adopted for two speakers on each side. Keller and Hood will take the negative on the question.

Mr. J. Stanley Gray, formerly of Oregon and now of Ohio State, is the originator of the Oregon plan. Under this system, the first speaker establishes his case and is cross-examined by the second speaker of the opposing side. Afterward the second debater refutes the answers he receives from his opponent, and summarizes his case.

**STUDENT ACCEPTS
POST AT LINGNAN**

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China Supports Lingnan
Dr. J. M. Henry, Provost of Lingnan, in a letter to Dean Watts states that "the attitude of all sections of the government toward Lingnan is increasingly gratifying. To have the very highest men in the government here sending their children to us and openly praising the place as an educational institution to which they can trust their children for education, both intellectual and moral, means a great deal."

"The constant pressure from men of this type for education for their girls is a factor which makes the need for us providing proper dormitory and other facilities for our women students even more urgent."

"The fact that we are receiving now a government subsidy of \$26,666.66 per month, representing a total annual budget of \$260,000 Canton money, or almost exactly \$100,000 gold, with no strings whatever, and this when other government educational institutions are not receiving what they think they

**BEZDEK DESCRIBES
SPORTS CONDITION**

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letics which is now in operation at Penn State was first put into use in 1918 and that the move was given nation-wide publicity at the time as an innovation in collegiate educational principles.

"Lack of playing space for the various teams is at present the greatest hindrance to the furtherance of the program," Director Bezdek remarked. "We do not have enough fields to allow for a much greater expansion of the program."

He described the crowded condition of New Beaver field during the spring athletic season, with both varsity and freshman baseball candidates occupying one side of the field and track and spring football practice taking up the remainder of the available space.

"We could use three times as many tennis courts as we now have. At times, it is almost impossible to play on the College golf course because of its overcrowded condition. During the winter months every inch of floor space in both the Armory and Recreation Hall is in use throughout the day and until the buildings must be closed for the night," he said.

"The purpose of this program," Coach Bezdek concluded, "is to furnish recreation, physical development and good health for the average student who is interested in a sport but does not have ability of varsity caliber."

**DR. DENGLER TO ATTEND
PROFESSORS' CONCLAVE**

Dr. Robert E. Dengler will attend the biennial meeting of the American Association of University Professors at Washington, D. C., on Saturday, April 20.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the interim business of the organization. The association represents over six thousand college and university professors throughout the country.

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**WOMEN LEADERS
ATTEND CONCLAVE**

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for universities, one for colleges and one for denominational schools. In addition to the business sessions, social functions listed on the program include dinners, dances, teas, outings and formal banquets.

Election of national president and national registrar for next year will occur at the closing session of the convention on Saturday, when next year's meeting-place will also be chosen. According to the rules of the organization, the president of the women's self-government chapter of the hostess school becomes national executive.

**DEBATERS ENGAGE
HOLY CROSS TRIO**

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Pittsburgh, Canada, Syracuse, Temple and Lincoln this year.

Keller, in his first year of intercollegiate debating, has appeared against Western Reserve, Canada, Marquette, Kansas, Rutgers and Northwestern. Hood, who had a year's experience before debating began last fall, faced orators from Pittsburgh, Marquette, Kansas and Northwestern during the current season.

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Campus Bulletin

Measurements for Junior Class Blazers will be held at Montgomery's from 7 until 9 o'clock tonight, tomorrow night and Thursday night. Deposits of \$3.50 will be required.

Dr. Sherwood Eddy will speak in Schwab auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight and tomorrow night.

Reservations for the dinner in honor of Dr. Eddy to be held in the University club at 6 o'clock tomorrow night must be made at the office of Prof. Harold S. Nevins before noon today. A charge of eighty cents per plate will be made.

Tickets for the Dind and Finner dance will be on sale starting tomorrow at the Athletic Store and Stark Brothers and Harper. The price will be \$1.50.

6:30 p. m.—Y. W. C. A. cabinet of officers will be installed at a service in the open air theatre.

7:00 p. m.—Dr. Pike will lecture in Old Chapel.

Nominations of officers will be held at the meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers in room 200 Engineering D at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night.

Information regarding the non-fraternity inter-unit baseball tournament may be secured from Donald M. Goss '32 or by telephoning 322-R.

The winner of the inter-unit basketball league would like to meet any fraternity basketball team. For arrangements call 225-R.

**ELLEN RICHARDS CLUB
INITIATES 8 PLEDGES**

The Ellen H. Richards club formally initiated thirteen pledges at its meeting last week. Miss Jane Cressey '29, vice-president of the organization, gave the oath of office to the pledges, while Miss Edith P. Chase, head of the department of home economics, officiated at the meeting.

In addition to the entertainment given by the officers and pledges, the program included a solo by Marian Oehme '30, and two readings by Anne Efflein '30. Several projects concerned with strengthening the club and making it better known on the campus were proposed by the new members.

Those initiated were Misses Elizabeth Melloi '30, Mary Davenport '31, Louise Patterson '31, Laura Sweeney '31, Marjorie Hailstone '31, Elizabeth Crozier '31, Eleanor Hay '31, Romayne Chapman '31, Anne Mellinger '31, Margaret Howler '31, Marian Winter '31, Ruth Reuning '31, and Isabel Yaeckel '31.

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