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SOPHOMORES MEET PLEBES IN ANNUAL CONTEST THURSDAY

Group Arranges Pushball Scrap On New Beaver Practice Field at 4 O'clock

VICTORS GAIN SPECIAL DRESS RIGHTS FRIDAY

Freshmen To Observe Poverty Day Saturday, Vie for Costume Prizes

With the privilege of assuming sophomore customs all day Friday as an incentive, the freshman class will engage its sophomore rivals in the annual pushball scrap on New Beaver practice field at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

In addition to the yearlings doffing their dinks for twenty-four hours if they win the scrap, the sophomores will be required to wear the plebe's green headpiece from noon until 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

At the beginning of the scrap, the sophomores will line up on one side of the field and the freshmen on the other. The struggle will be conducted in five minute heats with twenty-five members from each class on a side.

Upperclassmen to Referee Before the whistle signifying the start of a heat, the contestants will form a line facing away from the ball. As the signal is given, both sides will turn around and rush for the pushball. The class winning the greatest number of heats will be adjudged the final winner.

In case either side displays unsportsmanlike conduct during any part of the contest, the officials will inflict a penalty on the offender. Members of the junior and senior campus societies have been selected to act as referees and assist in maintaining order.

Freshmen will be given an opportunity to exhibit their talent for impersonation and clowning, when they observe Poverty Day on Saturday. Every freshman will be required to appear in some sort of nondescript costume until the conclusion of the prize distribution in the afternoon.

Freshmen Must Observe Customs Five prizes will be presented to the five best costumes appearing in the procession. Awards will be given for the most original costume and the most comical outfit.

BRITISH CERAMISTS TO VISIT COLLEGE

Penn State Will Entertain Group of Scientists on Nation-wide Industrial Tour

Touring Central Pennsylvania on an inspection of refractory plants of the district, a group of thirty British ceramists will be entertained by the College department of ceramics on the week-end of May 11.

The visitors will be a section of about 150 British ceramists who plan to join the American Society of Ceramics in a tour of the ceramics plants of the United States beginning April 28 and ending May 18.

After their arrival in the United States, the entire group will be divided into groups according to the industries in which they are concerned. Those interested in refractories will visit plants as far west as St. Louis. Their inspection of Pennsylvania plants will be made from May 10 to May 13.

DR. PIKE WILL SPEAK ON 'PERSONALITY' TOMORROW

Dr. Horace V. Pike of Danville State hospital will speak on "Personality" in Old Chapel at 7 o'clock tomorrow night.

ELECTIONS GROUP SUBMITS RULINGS

Committee Chairman Announces Regulations Controlling Class Campaigns

Rules governing the conduct of candidates and students during the period preceding class, La Vie and student council elections have been submitted to the COLLEGIAN by Edward Lyon Jr., Student Council elections committee chairman.

The substance of the rulings is stated below: 1. There will be no active campaigning by any candidate or his representatives before a date not yet set by the committee. The date will probably be April 29.

2. The term "active campaigning" is to include any speeches, printed matter, banners or any other form of advertising. 3. Any violation of the above rule, such as the one which occurred last week, will be punished by the disqualification of the candidate.

4. Platforms of presidential candidates must be in the hands of the election committee chairman by midnight, April 30. 5. These platforms will be printed in the COLLEGIAN.

6. The committee advises any candidate who intends to introduce any campaign innovation, shall first notify the elections committee. 7. Election Week program consists of smokers on Monday and Tuesday, mass meeting Wednesday, and balloting Thursday and Friday.

8. Any candidates, with the exception of Student Council nominees, may select a name for his party providing it has not been previously selected.

SOPHOMORE HEAD APPOINTS GROUPS

Class President Names Committees To Choose Colors and Plan Annual Proclamation

A committee to select class colors and another group to arrange for publication of the annual sophomore proclamation were appointed by President Samuel P. Plimken at the meeting of the class of 1931 held Thursday night.

Lorimer H. Brown, chairman of the Sophomore Hop committee made a report on the formal and read a financial statement of the dance receipts. The colors committee is composed of Herbert S. Frey, chairman, Claude F. Keichline, Joseph M. Axelrod, Orvis W. Hidinge, and Jack T. Barelay. The group named to plan the proclamation consists of Thomas S. Gots, chairman, Harry G. Lackey, William J. DeMunster, Jacob H. Eissman, John P. Lyezy, Homer R. Mather, Jr., and Lee L. Bender.

Following the seniors, members of the junior class wearing the emblematic blazers, will march Sophomores without hats will precede the freshmen. Freshman customs will be strictly enforced until after the tug-of-war. The College band will lead the student march.

Following addresses, sophomores and freshmen will engage in the annual tug-of-war. The committee in charge has not definitely decided where the interclass tussle will be held but it will probably be either on Old Beaver or Holmes field, according to Louis H. Bell 29, chairman of the committee. An all-College dance will be held in the evening. Efforts are being made to secure Reception Hall for the affair. The Blue and White orchestra, augmented to fourteen pieces will furnish dance music for the occasion.

EASTERN ORATORS WILL SPEAK HERE IN SECTION FINALS

Elimination Winners To Discuss Constitution at Annual Contest May 24

A. J. GARES PREPARES FOR STATE-WIDE MEET

Competitors Seek Pennsylvania Honors as Lehigh Holds Match on May 4

Orators from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and New England will come to Penn State May 24 to compete in the regional finals of the fifth annual intercollegiate oratorical contest.

The speakers will be the winners of the Eastern state eliminations. The best orator of the group will earn the right to represent this region in the final contest in Los Angeles, California, June 20.

Albert J. Gares '29, will be the Penn State orator at the state finals at Lehigh university, May 4. The subject of Gares' oration is "Challenge of the Constitution." The winner will speak here May 24 with the other state champions.

Winner To Receive \$1500 The national champion will receive a prize of \$1500 at the conclusion of the final orations. The six other speakers will be given awards ranging from \$1000 to \$350.

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PRESIDENT HETZEL WILL TALK MAY 18

Speeches by College Executive, Pfeifer To Open Program For Annual Move-up

Addresses by President Ralph D. Hetzel and Harry E. Pfeifer '29, president of the senior class, will open Move-up Day activities on New Beaver field May 18.

Early in the afternoon members of all classes will assemble on Co-op and from there will march to New Beaver field where the addresses will be delivered. The students will parade in order of classes the seniors dressed in Leon suits leading the other members of the student body.

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CO-EDS SCORN DISHWASHING; IMPATIENTLY AWAIT ARRIVAL OF NEW MODEL MACHINE

Dishes are never dried in Penn State's home management house, and soon they will not be washed by hand because a model electric dishwashing machine is to be installed, according to Miss N. Maude Vedder, assistant professor of home economics, who has charge of the home management house.

Miss Vedder has recently received nation-wide publicity as a result of her thesis on "A Time and Motion Comparison of Four Methods of Dishwashing," which she recently finished at the University of Chicago. As a tribute to her work in this field, Miss Vedder has been offered an electric dishwashing machine for use in the home management house.

"We are trying in the home management house," Miss Vedder continued, "to arrange the best work schedules under existing conditions. We mean by that to have the most efficient equipment in the place best suited for the conservation of energy and motion. One of the means that we use is to have working surfaces of a proper and uniform distance from the floor. Because workers vary in height, each one should have her equipment adjusted to herself. Regarding lighting, we believe that having lights where the work is tends toward greater efficiency than having one big light in the middle of the ceiling. After conditions for performing a piece of work have been standardized," she declared, "we will attempt to institute standard operations, that is, to determine one method that involves the shortest and fewest motions. The biggest objective in our work here is to use the minimum effort in performing a task and at the same time maintain the maximum efficiency."

PLEBES FORM HONORARY, AWAITING PHI ETA SIGMA

Pending installation of a chapter of the national freshman scholastic fraternity, Phi Eta Sigma, which will probably be delayed until next year, a local society similar to the national fraternity will be organized at Penn State.

PLAYERS TO ENTER STATE COLLEGIATE DRAMATIC CONTEST

Officials Prepare Production For Annual Tournament At Gettysburg

Competing against eight other colleges, the Penn State Players will enter the fourth annual State Intercollegiate dramatic tournament at Gettysburg college Friday and Saturday.

Other institutions enrolled in the contest are Waynesburg college, Grove City college, Juniata college, Bucknell university, Franklin and Marshall university, and St. Joseph's college. Gettysburg college will act as host to the association.

Three prizes will be awarded to the winners of the event. A silver urn and the Samuel French bronze award goes to the winner of first place, while the runner-up receives a loving cup.

The Samuel French award becomes the permanent possession of the dramatic club winning it three times, while the other prizes are permanent.

Last year the contest was held here under the auspices of the Players organization. At that time the Players won first honors with Franklin.

PROM HEADS MAY INSTALL SPEAKERS

Dance Committee Announces List of Honor Guests at Junior Function

Two amplifiers will be used to counteract defective acoustics in Recreation Hall for the Junior Prom May 31, if College permission is granted, according to the committee in charge.

Permission will be gained, Kenneth R. Kasei, chairman, believes, since Roy I. Webber, superintendent of grounds and buildings, with whom the decision rests, has already displayed a favorable attitude toward the question. Final action will be taken upon Mr. Webber's return from an out-of-town visit.

The dance group will consult members of the physics faculty as to the placing of the two amplifiers. The present plan is to install them on the balconies in the center of the building.

Guests of honor for the annual Junior function include President and Mrs. Ralph Donn Hetzel, Judge H. Walton Mitchell, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the deans of the College Schools, and their wives. Captain Roy T. Rouse and guest, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hackett and Mr. and Mrs. Cuthrie W. Taylor will act as chaperones.

OFFICIALS CHANGE 'Y' ELECTION DATE

Students Cast Votes for Cabinet Members in Main Buildings Tomorrow, Thursday

Election of officers for next year's "Y" cabinet has been postponed until tomorrow and Thursday according to an announcement by the "Y" elections committee yesterday.

Candidates for office are nominated by the "Y" cabinet and are elected by the student body as a whole. Balloting will continue from 8:45 o'clock in the morning until 5:10 in the evening on both days of the election. Ballot boxes for students in the School of Chemistry and Physics, the School of Education and the School of Liberal Arts will be placed in Carnegie library. Agricultural students will vote in Agricultural building, and Engineering A will be the voting place for engineering and mining students.

William L. Hammsler '30 and James T. Wolfe '30 are candidates for president, and R. Paul Campbell '30 and Archibald M. Holmes '30 are competing for vice-president. Robert J. Potter '30 and Richard L. McKee '31 have been nominated for secretary, while George J. Schantz '31 and Raymond A. Bowers '31 are running for the office of treasurer.

DEAN ATTENDS CONCLAVE

Dean Will G. Chambers, head of the School of Education, returned from a conference of educational deans held at New York university from Wednesday until Friday.

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LESTER ZOOK ACCEPTS POST AT LINGNAN DESIRING TO BETTER CHINESE CONDITIONS

Though I may not be able to accumulate a million dollars while teaching at Lingnan, I will have the consolation of knowing that I am honestly doing something beneficial for mankind," Lester M. Zook '29 stated yesterday. Zook was recently appointed instructor in annual husbandry at Lingnan university, Penn State's mission in China.

"Many fields of work in this country are overcrowded," Zook declared, "while China presents an unlimited opportunity for the educator. It must be considered that the Chinese people are still laboring under the handicap of centuries of mismanagement by inefficient and domineering officials.

"Because of this condition," their future instructor pointed out, "the Chinese are suffering from an acute case of inferiority complex, which makes every foreign act committed in their land appear to be an unmitigated blow aimed directly at them." Smiling thoughtfully Zook asserted, "It will be part of my task to aid in removing the veil of doubt and suspicion that exists in their minds."

When asked how he became interested in China, Zook replied, "While at Haverford, I had as one of my professors Dr. Rufus Jones, a philosopher who had seen a great deal of the world and was well informed concerning its problems. He spoke so enthusiastically about the neglected possibilities in China, that I decided to go there some day to study conditions.

"Ever since then it has been my ambition to aid China," he continued, "and this appointment is the culmination of that ambition. By September I will be at Lingnan studying, observing and teaching."

LION ORATORS WIN FINAL DEBATE FROM DICKINSON

In the final debate of the season, Penn State's debating team defeated the Dickinson college orators at Carlisle Friday night. On Thursday night, Holy Cross won the decision over the Nittany speakers in a debate at Bellefonte.

L. Neil Keller '31, and Kenneth Hood represented Penn State in both debates. The question discussed was "Resolved: That the Jury System for Criminal Cases in the United States Should be Abolished." The Oregon system of debating was used in the Dickinson contest.

DEANE E. W. STEIDLE TO SPEAK TONIGHT

Will Give Fourth Liberal Arts Lecture in Old Chapel At 7:15 O'clock

As the fourth number on the annual Liberal Arts lecture course, Deane E. W. Steidle, dean of the School of Mines and Metallurgy, will speak on "Efficacy of Rock-Dusting Bituminous Coal Mines" in Old Chapel at 7:15 o'clock tonight.

The dean will speak on various problems relative to the mining of soft coal. He has worked with the Federal Bureau of Mines for several years and made a special study of fire and explosions in both soft and hard coal mines.

He will point out that the two explosions in bituminous coal mines are methane gas and fine coal dust. His talk will deal largely with the latter of these and will consist of safety methods employed against them.

Describes Rock-Dusting Safest method of mining coal would be to keep all sources of "ignition" out of the mine, he states. This is impossible because lighting appliances, explosives and electric power are required in the mines. Primary explosion precautions consist of preventing dangerous accumulations of gas or coal dust.

In discussing safety methods, he will show that the former hazard is affected by efficient ventilating systems. The production and dangerous (Continued on last page)

WOMEN DEBATERS WILL MEET HOOD

Forensic Teams Discuss Jury Trial Question Saturday Night in Schwab Auditorium

Debating on the merits of trial by jury in criminal cases, the affirmative team of the women's debating squad will meet the Hood college trio at 7:20 o'clock Saturday night in Schwab auditorium for their final appearance of the season. The negative team will confront Hood at Piedmont, Maryland that same night.

Coach John H. Frizzell has chosen Miss Helen Keeper '30, Miss Elizabeth Bell '32 to uphold the affirmative side. The representatives of Hood at Penn State are Miss Seena, Miss Schaffer and Miss Gaiser.

Prof. W. M. Parrish, debating coach at the University of Pittsburgh, will be critic judge at the Penn State debate, while Dean Charlotte E. Ray will preside.

OFFICIALS REWARD HIGH SCHOLARSHIP THURSDAY MORNING

College Suspends Last 2 Hours For Annual Ceremony in Schwab Auditorium

LAFAYETTE EXECUTIVE WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

President Hetzel To Introduce Principal Speaker and Award Prizes

More than two hundred students will be rewarded for scholastic achievement at the annual Scholarship Day exercises to be held in Schwab auditorium at 10:10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Classes will be suspended the last two hours Thursday morning in order to allow all students to attend the services. The prizes to be awarded at that time will be on display at the Athletic store from today until Thursday.

Dr. William M. Lewis, president of Lafayette college, will be the principal speaker, while President Ralph D. Hetzel will preside. Prof. John H. Frizzell, head of the public speaking department and acting College chaplain, will deliver the invocation.

President Hetzel will open the program with a few introductory remarks. A professional of honor students led by the College marshal will follow. At the conclusion of the professional, the invocation will be pronounced by Prof. Frizzell.

To Announce Honors The Penn State Little Symphony orchestra will then play a selection "Serenade" by Gigo. After being introduced by Dr. Hetzel, President Lewis of Lafayette will deliver an address dealing with scholarship and its relation to life.

Another number, "Marche de la Cloche" by Debibes, played by the Little Symphony orchestra will conclude the musical portion of the program. The remainder of the service will include the presentation of fellowships, scholarships, caps, medals and prizes.

Announcement of honor society election will also be made during the latter part of the program. Fifteen societies, members of the Honor Society council, will announce their new members at this time.

Both the highest-ranking national and local fraternities will be awarded their respective scholarship prizes by the president of each council. More than fifty members of the junior and sophomore classes will receive Honor Society council medals for high scholastic standing.

President to Award Prizes Three John W. White Fellowships will be presented this year instead of the one that has formerly been granted. This is the largest scholarship prize being a grant of \$400 for advanced study at this or some other institution.

Four new awards for various scholastic activities will also be made on this program. The new awards are the Sigma Tau medal, the Phi Lambda Upsilon cup, the Delta Sigma Pi scholarship key and the Pack Foundation prize in forestry.

The Sparks medal will be awarded to the individual of any class with the highest average for the second semester of last year and the first semester of this year. Last year the prize was won by John D. Hantman '30.

President Hetzel will award the fellowships and scholarship to the winning students. Walter U. Gaskela '29, president of the Honor Society council, will present the Honor Society council medals, while elections to honor societies will be announced by executives of the various groups or faculty members.

Sponsors Alumni College President Lewis, the principal speaker, is a foremost educator and public speaker. He is in demand for Chamber of Commerce sessions, educational conventions and commencement addresses.

At Lafayette, where he is now administrator, he will conduct the first semester college this summer. The expenditure will be made after the commencement, starting June 10. Graduate will come back to the school and through lectures, conferences and demonstrations brought up-to-date in their own particular fields.

Dr. Lewis, in addition to aiding the government during the World War, served as the mayor of Lake Forest, Ill. He has also been headmaster of the Lake Forest academy, as well as having taught in Lake Forest college. Numerous articles in The American and The Independent have been contributed by him.