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I. F. C. CONFERENCE TO CENTER AROUND DISCUSSION GROUPS

Fraternity Heads Will Attend Separate Meetings on House Problems

GROUP PLANS CONCLAVE FOR FEBRUARY 14 AND 15

Council President Appoints Chairmen To Arrange Luncheons

With discussion groups dealing with six different phases of fraternity life providing the central note, Interfraternity council has announced the tentative program for the second Penn State fraternity conference to be held here February 14 and 15.

Although the conference is scheduled to open officially with a formal dinner at Centre Hills country club Friday night, February 14, Council officials believe that the greatest benefit of the conference will be derived from the discussion groups planned for the following noon. Each group, composed of like fraternity officers, will hear a speaker who has specialized on the subject about which he will speak.

Chapter presidents and secretaries will join in a discussion following Saturday noon lunch, while chapter treasurers, initiation chairmen, advisors, caterers, and chapter editors will meet in separate groups to discuss problems of their respective offices. At Interfraternity council meeting Tuesday night, Malcolm Kirkpatrick '30, president of the council, appointed chairmen of committees to conduct the conference.

Name Committee Leaders Archibald M. Holmes '30 has been named general chairman in charge of the conference. Arthur J. Gill '30 will head the committee arranging the dinner Friday night and Floyd W. Kalb '30 will take charge of luncheons. Paul W. Brandt '30 is chairman of the committee arranging the chapter presidents' discussion while Sidney H. Lewis '30 heads the committee in charge of the treasurers' discussion.

Chairman of the caterers' lunch committee is Edward Berlet '30 while Norman B. Sobler '31 will arrange for the lunch of fraternity paper editors. The chairman for the chapter advisor and initiation chairmen's luncheons will be named soon.

In addition to the tentative list of speakers already announced, Norman MacLeod, national president of Delta Tau Delta, E. A. Norton, national president of Sigma Phi Sigma, Howard B. Leake, national head of Pi Kappa Phi, and Henry W. Church, president of Beta Kappa, may attend the two-day conference.

JOURNALISTS SET CONVENTION DATE

Pi Delta Epsilon To Hold Meeting April 3, 4, 5—Local Chapter Host for First Time

Previously scheduled to take place in February, the annual convention of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity, will be held here April 3 until 6, according to information from the grand council by Charles A. Mensch '30, president of the local chapter.

Assisted by members of the Bucknell chapter, the local organization will act as hosts to delegates from forty-four colleges. Addresses by prominent newspaper men and writers for popular magazines will be part of the program. Winners of the intercollegiate editorial contest and news and feature story competitions will be announced.

This is the first time that the fraternity has held a convention here. Last year the annual convocation was held at Georgia Institute of Technology. Pi Delta Epsilon, founded in 1903, has had a chapter at Penn State since 1924.

DAIRY SCIENCE ORGANIZATION TO HOLD DANCE JANUARY 4

Sponsored by the Dairy Science club an all-College Subscription dance will be held in the Alpha Gamma Rho house January 4. The proceeds will be used to help finance the judging teams of the department.

Permission to remove customs has been granted by Student Tribunal to freshmen who wish to attend the dance. Charles E. Patterson '30, chairman of the dance committee, announced. Music will be furnished by the Blue and White orchestra.

WILL ENACT Character Role in Players' Offering Tomorrow



MISS HELEN BUCKWALTER '31

PITTSBURGH FACES DEBATERS TONIGHT

Will Discuss Question of Higher Education in Auditorium At 7:30 O'clock

Upholding the affirmative side of the topic, "Education Should Be Limited to Those Having Special Abilities," John W. Brandt '30 and Orville A. Hitchcock '32 will represent Penn State in the annual debate with the University of Pittsburgh in Schwab auditorium at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Brandt, who has returned to school after a year's absence, was a member of the College forensic teams during his freshman, sophomore and junior years. He was elected to the forensic council in 1927, and became editor-in-chief of La Vie in 1928. Hitchcock, who will represent Penn State in intercollegiate competition for the first time, has had previous debating experience.

Edward Crowder and Charles J. Miroth will probably defend the negative side of the question for the University of Pittsburgh. This duo has discussed the subject to be used in former debates, while the Penn State team will consider it for the first time.

No decision on the debate will be rendered Friday night. In place of this, an open forum will be held at the conclusion of the speeches, during which there will be an opportunity for members of the audience to question the debaters on the subject. Dr. Carol D. Champlin of the School of Education, will preside.

"The advisability of mass education is receiving interested consideration throughout the country," Professor Frizzell pointed out. "Not only has the central conference adopted it for intercollegiate debates, but articles in many leading magazines have discussed it."

Since the topic is being used by many leading colleges this year, it is probable that it will be employed by the Penn State teams on their trips. Swarthmore, Lafayette, and Miami University are listed among the institutions discussing it.

A. S. M. E. APPOINTS DEAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Society Selects Engineering Head To Lead Industrialists

Dean Robert L. Sackett of the Engineering school was made chairman of the committee of education and training in industry at the fiftieth annual session of the American society of mechanical engineers at New York last week.

This committee is concerned only with the non-collegiate type of industry which includes apprenticeship, foreman instruction, and extension work.

Dean Sackett represented the University of Michigan and Earlham college at the dedication of the new mining building at Lafayette college last week. While on this trip he also spoke to the executives and students of the New Jersey Zinc company, at Palmerton, New Jersey.

CO-EDS ELECT MISS MENGES FRESHMEN CLASS PRESIDENT

Miss Florence A. Menges was chosen president of the freshman girls at the final election of class officers held Monday night.

The class named Miss Doris Hazleton, vice-president and Miss Molly D. Laramy, secretary. Miss Elizabeth Preston will serve as treasurer while Miss Nelle D. McCracken will take charge of social affairs of the freshman class.

PLAYERS PRODUCE 3-ACT MELODRAMA TOMORROW NIGHT

Stage 'Royal Family' as Second Offering in Auditorium At 8:15 O'clock

MISS BUCKWALTER AND YOUNG TO PLAY LEADS

Satirical Presentation Centers on Amusing Caprices of Stage Celebrities

"The Royal Family," Penn State Players' second dramatic presentation based on the trials and tribulations of the private life of stage folk will be staged at Schwab auditorium tomorrow night at 8:15 o'clock.

The production is a three-act melodrama, the work of Edna Ferber and George Kaufman, prominent playwrights. In weaving a satirical plot about the Barrymore family, they have produced a play replete with humorous situations and action. Clashing swords, fainting women, gentlemen pugilists, and an international aspect developed by many foreign character interpretations give a hint to the diversified nature of tonight's production.

Veterans of past Players' shows will appear with four newcomers in feature roles. Milton C. Young '30, will play the leading role of Tony Cavendish, a part supposedly fashioned after John Barrymore. He will be supported by Miss Helen J. Buckwalter '31, who will portray the aged character role of Fanny Cavendish.

Appear for First Time Robert W. McKune '32, who played the lead in "Aren't We All" last season, will be seen as the pompous Herbert Dean, an actor who has seen better days. His wife, played by Miss Louise Weist '32, is also seen as a former great actress of the stage.

Miss Shirley Thorpe '33 and Miss Dorothy Ley '33 will appear in the two feminine leads. Miss Thorpe portrays the temperamental, busy Julia Cavendish upon whom the family relies for advice. Miss Ley is cast as the obstinate daughter whose plans of matrimony with Perry Stewart, played by Ralph Radcliffe '31, nearly breaks up the "Royal Family."

Saul O. Sher '32, plays the German character role of Oscar Wolfe, eccentric manager of the family. It is he who meets with the displeasure of James F. Aber '31, who plays the role of the aged lover of Julia Cavendish and who attempts to take her away from stage life.

Jesse M. McKnight '31, appears as the trainer of the Cavendish family. Miss Janet M. Burns '30 and Frank E. Tojan '32 are the faithful servants of many years standing in the household. Miss Marion Kish '32 is cast as the demure nursemaid.

HONORARY FRATERNITY ADMITS NEW MEMBERS

Sigma Pi Sigma, National Physics Society, Initiates 6

Six new members were formally initiated into Sigma Pi Sigma, national honorary physics fraternity, Wednesday night.

Dean Frank C. Whitmore of the School of Chemistry and Physics, Mr. William E. Singer, graduate assistant in chemistry, and Dr. W. Altar, exchange fellow from University of Vienna, were chemists named.

Miss Gladys Quigg, assistant in mathematics, and Dr. Charles A. Rupp, assistant professor of mathematics, were elected from the department of mathematics. Charles W. Crouse '30, was the only undergraduate initiated.

Dean Warnock Praises Penn State Fraternities

Declares Undergraduates Favor Conservatism Instead of Extreme Practices

"Penn State undergraduates these days tend to be conservative, perhaps more conservative than alumni and other citizens elsewhere," Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock declares in an article written for the December issue of the Alumni News.

He states that College men are trowling on "rah rah" practices, extreme styles in clothing, manufactured enthusiasm at athletic contests, and movie and comic wise cracks at their expense.

"With regard to matters of conduct," the Dean states, "they also

Board of Athletics Approves Iowa Game

Official approval of the proposed football game with the University of Iowa November 15, 1930 was granted by the College Board of Athletics yesterday. Acceptance of the game has been received from athletic heads at Iowa.

The suggestion by Hawkeye officials that the game be played in Chicago instead of at Iowa City has not as yet been accepted by athletic heads here.

SPECIAL CHEERING SECTION PROPOSED

Former Cheerleader Declares Concentrated Grouping Will Aid Rooting

As a solution to the problem of improved student cheering, which has moved student leaders, to sponsor a campaign for new College yells and songs, Carlisle W. "Buck" Taylor, head cheerleader in 1925, believes that a special cheering section at athletic contests will help to secure the desired results.

Declaring that a concentrated cheering section would better student yells at athletic contests. Taylor said:

"It is impossible for cheerleaders to get any kind of a response when the rosters are scattered throughout the grandstand. Such a system has been adopted at Syracuse, Penn., and a number of other eastern colleges and has been found very successful in improving cheering."

Suggests Card System A card system should be used in announcing yells rather than the practice of shouting the name of the yell through a megaphone. He suggested that if the yell were designated on a sign, response would be speedier and more concerted.

"For instance," Taylor pointed out, "if Penn State had the ball on the one-yard line and a final drive was needed to put it over, the play would be completed before the cheerleaders could even announce the yell under the present system."

He argues that the use of cards would remedy this fault. New College songs and cheers might improve spirits according to the former cheerleader.

"The addition of several new songs and yells would create new interest I believe, although I think that the present ones are very good," he said.

BIOLOGIST TO LECTURE ON ORGANIC MATERIAL

Bucknell University Science Staff Will Attend Talk Thursday

As the second speaker addressing members of the agricultural experiment station this year, Dr. S. A. Waksman, noted micro-biologist, will lecture on "Decomposition of Organic Matter" in room 100 Horticulture building at 4:10 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Waksman, who comes from the New Jersey agricultural experiment station, will discuss problems of management with the research staff in addition to reviewing his own investigations in science.

In response to an invitation extended to members of the science staff at Bucknell university, several of the Lewisburg institution's faculty have made plans to attend the lecture.

INSPECT PASTURE RESEARCH

Dr. T. L. Lyon and Prof. J. A. Bizzell of the department of soil technology at Cornell university inspected the pasture research being conducted by the Agricultural school here last week.

DR. LOUIS NAVIAS WILL OPEN SERIES OF TALKS MONDAY

To Deliver Five Lectures During Annual Priestley Group In Amphitheatre

SOCIETIES PLAN SPECIAL SMOKERS FOR CERAMIST

Officials Select Chairmen for Meetings from Mineral, Science Schools

Opening the fourth annual Priestley Lecture series, Dr. Louis Navias, head research ceramist for the General Electric company, Schenectady, N. Y., will speak on "The General Scope of Ceramics and Physical Chemistry" in Chemistry amphitheater at 7 o'clock Monday night.

The series of five lectures extending from Monday until Friday will deal with the relation between physical chemistry and ceramics. Special receptions will be held for the visitor during his stay here by honorary fraternities and professional societies.

Doctor Navias will arrive in State College Monday morning and will remain here until next week-end. In addition to his lecture, he also will inspect the College and confer with visiting industrial leaders in the ceramics field.

Select Chairmen for Meetings Chairmen for the meetings have been selected from the chemistry and physics and the mineral industries faculties. Dean Frank C. Whitmore, head of the School of Chemistry and Physics, will lead the opening discussion.

Dean Edward W. Steidle of the Mineral Industries school will be chairman of Tuesday's meeting, while Prof. Joseph B. Shaw, head of ceramics work, will serve as leader the following night. Dr. Guyver C. Chandel of the chemistry department will be chairman Thursday night, and Professor Shaw will again return to the platform at the closing lecture of the series.

The series is being presented under the joint supervision of the two schools. Previous series of Priestley lectures have been presented also by other departments of the College.

Among the prominent leaders in the industrial field expected to attend the meetings are A. C. Fieldner of the United States Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C., and L. I. Shaw of the Western Electric company, Chicago, Ill.

In addition to his lecture series, Doctor Navias will also speak to junior and senior ceramic students at special conferences Thursday and Friday mornings. Other arrangements are being made to have visiting authorities address various classes.

After the general survey of the ceramics field in his opening talk, the visiting speaker will discuss "Properties of Some Important Natural Materials" at Tuesday night's lecture. "The Vitreous State Glasses, Glazes, and Enamels" will be the title of his lecture Wednesday night.

Doctor Navias will speak on "The Land of Porcelain" at his fourth lecture, and will close the series with a discussion of "Shaping Refractory Oxides into Insulators" Friday night.

PURDUE MEN WILL ATTEND DINNER IN UNIVERSITY CLUB

Former students and members of the faculty of Purdue university who are now living in State College or vicinity will attend a dinner in the University club Wednesday night.

Dean Robert L. Sackett of the School of Engineering and Prof. Frank D. Kern, dean of the graduate school will be among the speakers.

Case of Diphtheria Causes McAllister Hall Quarantine

Baldwin To Attend Palo Alto Conclave



F. BRUCE BALDWIN '30

F. Bruce Baldwin '30, president of Student Council, will represent Penn State at the National Student Federation conference to be held in Palo Alto, Cal. from January 1 until 5.

Baldwin will leave for California during the Christmas vacation and return to State College January 15. Baldwin states that most of the colleges in the country are represented at the conference.

A. A. ANNOUNCES 2 SPORTS MANAGERS

Association Names Hutchinson and Van Note as Football, Harrier Executives

Selection of Ralph Hutchinson '31 as football manager and Frederick G. Van Note as manager of cross country was made at fall elections Tuesday.

No announcement has been made by College athletic officials of election to the captaincies of these sports for the 1930 season. William R. Heard '32, John D. Page '32, and George J. Smart '32 were chosen first assistant football managers while Raymond G. Bressler jr. '32, Homer G. Ressler '32, and James W. Trullinger '32, were selected first assistant cross country managers.

Award Letters The major "S" was granted to seventeen gridmen. Three players received the minor sports letter. Seniors who received the major sports award were Herbert H. Eschbach, S. McAndrews, Turino S. Panacola, Jackson A. Martin, captain; Martin Ralph R. Ricker, J. Neil Stahley, and John K. McClements, manager.

Juniors who were granted the major letter were Frank D. Dierich, Danie L. Duvall, Thomas D. Evans, Eric L. Kaplan, John P. Livezey, Calvin L. Edwards, J. Cooper French, Meyer W. Shawley, and John Zorella. One sophomore, George T. Lusich, was granted the major letter. Three minor letter awards were granted to seniors. Those receiving the letters were Edward Braddock, Samuel E. Curry, and Andrew L. Parana.

MINERAL INDUSTRIES HEADS ATTEND MINING CONVENTION

Dean Edward Steidle, head of the School of Mineral Industries, and William R. Chessey, head of the department of mining, attended the annual meeting of the National Mine Rescue association and the annual meeting of the Coal Mining Institute of America in Pittsburgh which ended yesterday.

Dean Steidle described the new Mineral Industries building at a dinner of the Coal Mining Institute Wednesday night, and Professor Chessey attended a meeting of the mining advisory board of western Pennsylvania which assists the College department of mining yesterday noon.

Who's Dancing

- Tonight Beta Theta Pi (closed) Chi Phi Tau Phi Delta Theta Nu Epsilon Tomorrow Alpha Tau Omega Delta Theta Sigma Kappa Delta Rho Mens' Dormitories at Varsity Hall (subscription) Scobard and Blade at Chi Phi (closed) Theta Kappa Phi

Dr. Ritenour Will Test 130 Co-eds for Immunity

BAN TO-LAST AT LEAST 4 DAYS PENDING RESULT

Heads Propose Continuance of Dormitory Service—Report No Vacation Changes

A single case of diphtheria, developed within the last week, resulted in a four-day quarantine of McAllister hall beginning at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. College Physician Joseph P. Ritenour immediately telegraphed for a supply of materials to administer the Shick test to 130 women living in the dormitory and to all others who were exposed to the infected patient.

The quarantine is the usual one placed on persons who have been exposed to diphtheria pending results of the Shick test. Those found immune will be allowed to resume class duties, while anyone found susceptible will be kept under observation by the College health authorities.

Dining room service in the women's commons will be continued for the 350 girls who eat there ordinarily. The co-eds living in McAllister hall will be segregated, however, the outsiders entering and leaving the dining room after those under quarantine.

Not To Affect Vacation The only diphtheria patient in the infirmary is Miss Dorothy G. Christman '33, who became ill early in the week. The case was diagnosed as diphtheria yesterday. Miss Christman's condition is reported as not serious. There are a number of other cases of throat diseases in the hospital, which are not believed to be diphtheria.

A survey of the situation promptly officials to report that only in the advent of a sudden increase in the number of diphtheria cases, will the Christmas vacation period be affected. That all danger will be removed within a week was expressed by College authorities.

Aside from attendance by the quarantined women, no classes will be affected except those of hygiene and physical education for women which will be exempt from the quarantine. Miss Marie Haldt who conducts these classes is chaperone of the hall and has elected to stay with the girls confined in the dormitory rather than hold regular sessions for those who may still attend classes.

The college health service is keeping a strict guard on the dormitory. An officer is posted at the entrance to prevent anyone from entering or leaving the building at any time during the four-day quarantine.

Miss Christman is the only diphtheria patient Dr. Ritenour has discovered in the College. There are, however, two cases of the disease among residents of the town.

CAROLS REPLACE CHAPEL SERVICES

Director Grant Arranges Christmas Songs Program for Choir Of 100 Voices

In accord with the holiday season, arrangements have been made by Richard W. Grant, director of College music, for a program of Christmas carols to be sung by a choir of one hundred voices and several soloists to replace the usual chapel service in Schwab auditorium Sunday morning.

The selections will include the English carol, "The First Noel," "Silent Night" from the German, and Neidlinger's French carol "Sleep of the Child Jesus." The solo parts in "Gesu Bambino" by Von will be sung by Robert H. McFall '33 and Miss Sarah F. Wentzel '31, while Miss Edna R. Roderick '31 will take the solo part in Vincent's "There Were Shepherds in the Field Abounding."

Included in the program will be organ recitals by Mrs. Irene O. Grant and singing of Christmas hymns selected by Director Grant for the occasion.

INSPECTS AGRONOMY WORK

Doctor T. S. Buie, field agronomist of the super-phosphate Institute of Washington, D. C., investigated the work being done by the department of agronomy upon phosphate production this week.