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## WOMEN STUDENT GOVERNING GROUP WILL MEET HERE

Local W.S.G.A. To Act as Host When Intercollegiate Body Assembles April 9-12

## 50 COLLEGES COMPRISE ROSTER OF ASSOCIATION

Officials Obtain Noted Speakers For Convention—Plan Formal Dance and Banquet

Tentative plans have been completed for the biannual convention of the mid-western section of the Intercollegiate Association of Women Students which will be held here from April 9 to 12, according to Helen P. Faust '30, president of Penn State's W. S. G. A. and national president of the Intercollegiate association.

Approximately fifty co-educational colleges belonging to the Association are expected to send delegates. The local W. S. G. A. has also invited neighboring colleges which are not members of the group to send representatives.

### Select Some Speakers

Miss Thyra W. Ames, dean of women at the University of Pittsburgh and president of the American Association of Deans of Women, will address the delegates on "Personality, a Real Objective in Education." Miss Martha H. Biehle, executive secretary of the National Students' Federation association, and Ruby Mott Larron of Baltimore also will speak.

Prominent leaders of colleges represented will speak to the delegates at special meetings during the convention. Round table discussions under student leadership will supplement the larger assemblies.

Among the social events planned for visitors will be a formal dance and banquet. The music and dramatic departments, as well as women's organizations, have offered their assistance in entertaining the guests.

## GOLDKETTE PLANS COLLEGE MEDLEY

Penn State Songs To Offer Special Music Attraction at Annual Senior Formal Friday

As a special musical attraction for Senior Ball, a medley of Penn State songs will be played by Jean Goldkette's Casa Loma orchestra at the upperclass function in the Almyor Friday night.

With decorations starting work on transformation of the Almyor, preparations for the Ball have reached their final stage. Tickets will go on sale for \$5 at Co-op tonight and the sale will continue tomorrow and Thursday. Programs will be distributed when the tickets are purchased.

This year complimentary tickets have been issued with all written invitations and these must be presented at the door instead of the invitation alone as in former years. Chairman Paul S. Williams '30 announced that the committee has arranged for representatives from the Treasurer's office to handle sale and collection of tickets. Booth drawings will be made at Stark Brothers and Harper today and tomorrow from 9 until 11 o'clock in the morning and 2 until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. In order to provide plenty of room for wraps, the old locker room will be used for the checking concession.

## 60 STUDENTS REPRESENT 5 STATES IN SHORT COURSES

Five states, Maryland, Virginia, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania, are represented by the sixty students enrolled in short courses at Penn State reports Prof. A. L. Patrick, head of soil technology work. Three students represent Maryland, two Virginia, and one each New York and New Jersey. The remaining fifty-three are from this State. Twenty-one of the students are taking dairy courses, while the remaining thirty-nine are enrolled in general agriculture work.

## SUGGESTION URGES REVIVAL OF UNUSED COLLEGE SONGS

As a means of improving singing and cheering at Penn State, the suggestion has been made that several songs which are printed in the Freshman Handbook but not used be revived. Songs suggested include "Pennsylvania State" by Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, and "Win Again Today" by Colman Harrison '21.

## Texas University Offers Free Infirmary Services

### Similar Program Cited As Improvement For College

Free hospital service as offered at the University of Texas was cited yesterday as a possible remedy of conditions at Penn State. A ten-dollar-a-year health fee is levied there according to an article in the *Daily Texan*, student publication.

Two hospitals are available for student use at the Texas institution. In case of illness the university health service will assume the cost of hospital attention for a student for a maximum period of ten days. Care of a student in the hospital costs the health service four dollars a day. Besides being privileged to visit the doctor during office hours, students may call the physician outside of office hours in case of serious illness or accidents.

### Inspect Lodgings

All boarding houses and dormitories are inspected once a year by a health service. The buildings must be approved by this representative of the university before permission is granted their owners to accommodate students.

Three full-time doctors are maintained by the university as well as a part-time specialist for eye, ear, nose,

### COUNCIL TO CONSIDER FREE HOSPITAL PLAN

Student Council will consider the free hospital service proposal advanced by Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, College physician, at its meeting, this week, according to R. Bruce Baldwin '30, head of the student government.

"The student body recognizes the seriousness of the health service problem," Baldwin stated, "and Council will treat it as such. Before sanctioning any increase in fees, however, the Council will have to determine the attitude of the student body on the question."

on that ailments. Three nurses are employed by the health service, while a trained technician is in charge of the chemical laboratory supported by the health department.

The laboratory is used as an aid to the doctors in diagnosing cases. X-ray pictures are taken, if necessary, at no cost to the student.

A sum of \$45,000 a year is necessary for the maintenance of the health service department, according to university officials. This amount is covered without any additional appropriation from the state, and is collected entirely from the registration fee paid by each student at the beginning of the college year.

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## MANUFACTURER TO DISCUSS 'CORRECT USE OF LUMBER'

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## Executives Elect Hibshman To Alumni Secretary Post

ELECTED New Head of Alumni Work at College



EDWARD K. HIBSHMAN

## SOCIETY TO SHOW POST WAR SCENES

Architects Plan Exhibition Of Armistice Sketches by American Painter

An exhibition of war sketches made in France immediately after the Armistice by Milton H. Bancroft, prominent American painter, will be held on third floor of Main Engineering building for the remainder of the week.

Gamma Alpha, honorary architectural fraternity, arranged to have the exhibition brought here. The exhibit will be open from 2 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 until 9 o'clock in the night.

The present collection was shown in New York city, and also at a special exhibition at the Cooper art gallery in Washington, D. C. It has been approved by authorities familiar with war paintings.

Said To Be Real

Official report that the sketches were done on the spot without any attempt to dramatize the incidents. The work has been classified as a documentary record of events on the front following the declaration of peace.

Mr. Bancroft has served on the faculty at both the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and Swarthmore college. He has studied both in America and Paris, and his exhibited work in Paris, Boston, Chicago, and Philadelphia.

The printer also executed mural decorations for the Court of the Seasons at the Panama-Pacific exposition in San Francisco during the war period. He contributed numerous war posters to the government.

## SENIOR WOMEN TO HOLD CLASS MID-YEAR DINNER

Plan Continuous Music For Affairs In McAlister Hall Tomorrow

Continuous music will feature the program of the first mid-year senior women's dinner to be held at 5:10 o'clock tomorrow night in McAlister Hall dining room.

Numbers by the Varsity Quartette, vocal solo by Edna R. Roderick '31, and marimba solos by Hazel F. Neal '33, will be included in the program. Dorothy G. Christian '31, Ruth G. Kiehl '33, and Margaret L. Triggall '33, will alternate at the piano.

Until this year the class had only one dinner which was held in the spring of the year. The present class feeling that a similar affair should be held for women graduating in February, have arranged for one affair each semester.

## AUTHOR DECLARES COLLEGE DO NOT APPRECIATE ALUMNI

College owe their alumni greater respect for their services and interest than the institutions now give according to Wilfred B. Shaw in his book "Alumni and Adult Education."

## ASKS STUDENT COOPERATION

With a view to effecting a change in the use of borough streets for student activities, Eugene H. Ledetter, February 15 in the Armory. Refreshments will be served and further details will be announced later.

## Plan Council To Replace Yearly Meeting of Graduate Body

### ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS PREPARE FOR EXPANSION

Former Assistant to President Lead Bond Issue, Building Fund Campaigns

Edward K. Hibshman, assistant to the President for the past two years, was elected executive secretary of the Penn State Alumni association at a meeting of the executive board of the Association Saturday morning.

At the same time leaders disclosed the fact that plans were being made for an expansion of the Association's service which will make the new executive secretary's office of outstanding importance to the College.

Formation of a representative Alumni Council to take the place of the annual alumni meeting will be among the first tasks of the new secretary. Enabling a greater percentage of the 15,000 alumni now enrolled in the Association to take part in its program, the new Alumni Council will voice the opinions of all graduate members.

To Form Alumni Council

The Council will be composed of class secretaries and representatives elected according to districts. Approximately one hundred graduates will become members of the organization.

With other duties of this new office Mr. Hibshman will assume those of the former general alumni secretary, Edward N. Sullivan. Since Mr. Sullivan presented his resignation in June, 1928, no one had been selected to take his place. Mr. Hibshman's resignation as the President's advisor will be tendered to the College Board of Trustees at its meeting in Harrisburg Monday. No definite successor to his post has been selected as yet.

President Approves Election

"Mr. Hibshman's acceptance especially in the light of plan for future development of the College, is most pleasing to me," President Hartzel stated yesterday.

"Not only will he be able to maintain the excellent College contacts he has made throughout the State, but he can expand them into alumni and other relations for the good of the College," the President added.

Following an invitation here in 1909, Mr. Hibshman developed a strain of tobacco bearing his name and now widely grown in the State. He became assistant director of agricultural extension in 1912.

Because of his work in organizing the county agent service, he was made assistant to the President in charge of public relations in 1920. In this position Mr. Hibshman was chairman of the \$8,000,000 Bond Issue committee, and acted as manager of the \$2,000,000 Emergency Building campaign in 1922 and 1923.

## COLLEGE OFFICERS NAME DORMITORY

Honor Dr. Pratt, Former Vice-Head Of Penn State Agricultural Experiment Station

In honor of Dr. William Pratt, former vice-director of the College agricultural experiment station, College officials have officially decided to name the new men's dormitory "Pratt Hall."

The name will also serve as an acknowledgment to the dozen or more agricultural groups which contributed part of the funds for the new building. Dr. Pratt was actively associated with many such groups during his lifetime.

During his thirty-seven years of service at the college, the doctor became known as an authority on questions involving food chemistry, fertilizers, lime, and tobacco. He headed the experiment station from its organization in 1887 until his death in 1922.

Reim, one of the pioneers on food standards. Dr. Pratt was selected a chairman of the committee on food standards for the Federal Department of Agriculture. He also aided in drafting the State pure food laws.

## WILL DISCUSS MATH TRICKS

Prof. Roland S. Rhoads of the civil engineering department will speak on "Mathematical Tricks, Useful and Useless" at a meeting of the A. S. C. in room 206 Engineering D at 7 o'clock tomorrow night. Max H. Gitter '30 and George L. Hoff '31 will be the student speakers.