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Mid-Year Vacation Is Dropped in Calendar Proposed to Senate

Okay of 1930-31 Plan Urged by Students Is Predicted

CHANGE RECOMMENDED BY FACULTY COMMITTEE

Will Hold Registration Tuesday, Wednesday After Finals Under New Plan

BULLETIN

College Senate at 8 o'clock last night adopted the student-proposed calendar for 1930-1931 without a dissenting voice. This schedule urged the abolition of the mid-year vacation.

A one-hour convocation for the Y. M. C. A. in the second semester was likewise approved. This date is to be determined by President Hetzel, depending upon the availability of a speaker. Scholarship Day in the second semester was also so sanctioned, the time and date to be set by the President and the committee on academic standards.

The Saturday half-holiday during the football season was retained, its selection to be made by the student body.

The fate of the 1930-31 calendar was in the hands of the College Senate last night after the faculty committee headed by Dean Charles W. Stoddard of the Liberal Arts school had recommended adoption of the student-endorsed program proposing the abolition of the prolonged mid-year vacation.

Although adoption of this plan was predicted in authoritative circles, adherents to the program tried for the first time this year to expect to put up a fight for the retention of the between-semester recess.

An unofficial canvass of College deans revealed that the dropping of the contested period would be backed by the Schools of Engineering, Agriculture, Mineral Industries, and probably Education.

Others Neutral

On the other hand, the Schools of Liberal Arts, Chemistry and Physics found the period of distinct advantage to their office forces, but were reluctant to push the cause without first making a thorough investigation of their faculty staffs.

Dean Will Grant Chambers of the School of Education leaned toward the belief that likewise there were many advantages to this year's arrangement.

Dr. Frank D. Kern of the Graduate school reported that since his school was not seriously affected, either schedule would be satisfactory.

Recess Helps Registrar

The vacation period, according to Registrar William S. Hoffman, enable his office to register all grades and have a transcript of the student's record in the hands of their scheduling officers before registration. Formerly, this information was not available until three weeks after the semester had begun.

Student objectors to the recess point out, however, that since this information helps only the student with a below grade, there is no reason why the large majority of undergraduates should be imposed upon.

Interested parties urged the immediate posting of grades by instructors as the remedy for this problem.

Dean of Mines Arthur R. Warnock was unable to determine definitely whether the recess had aided his office.

Calendar Okay Otherwise

The between-semester's period was the chief point of difference between the two calendars introduced to the Senate earlier this year.

The student calendar proposes the beginning of the second semester Thursday morning, February 5, with registration on the two days preceding, whereas the semester would begin Monday, February 9, with registration on the Friday and Saturday preceding, under the faculty plan. The first semester ends Saturday, January 31, under both programs.

The only minor difference concerned the Christmas vacation, which would begin Friday noon, December 19, under the student plan, and Saturday noon under the faculty schedule. The Christmas vacation closes Monday morning, January 5, under both programs.

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VISIONS Women's Fraternities As Constructive Force on Campus



DEAN C. E. RAY

DEAN SEES FORCE IN CO-EDS' CLUBS

Miss Ray Visions Fraternities Constructive Element on Penn State Campus

Women's fraternities that are a constructive force on the campus and useful to the College administration whenever the welfare of the institution and its students is at stake is Dean Charlotte E. Ray's hope for Penn State women, as expressed in an article in the February issue of *Alumni News*.

Recognizing fraternities as a recent development in the higher education of women, Miss Ray visions the women's fraternity of the future as a working unit of the College responsible for promoting the happiness and success of all women of the College.

With the coming of national fraternities to the Penn State campus, the Dean recognizes the question of housing as one of paramount importance. A new plan employing lodges instead of houses which has worked successfully at Swarthmore and Randolph-Macon was cited as a possible solution to the problem. Likewise, another question is the number of fraternities needed to meet local conditions.

Aid Local Development

"Girls' clubs have maintained high scholastic standings from the outset," Miss Ray asserts.

The high scholastic standing required for membership in individual societies as well as a uniform scholastic standard established by the Campus Clubs council were given as reasons for high scholarship among the women's fraternities.

An opportunity to develop socially was believed to be one of the best advantages of fraternities in a survey among women members. A more home-like life and added participation in outside activities were further advantages.

The entire women's student body is given more prestige through the presence of fraternities for their on the campus, the Dean reports. National societies tend to raise the women's student body to a higher level in the estimation of the men students, she also believes.

FRESHMEN WILL SELECT TRIAL LEADERS TUESDAY

First of 5 Temporary Presidents To Hold Meeting Thursday

Freshmen will nominate and elect five trial class presidents when they meet in Chemistry amphitheater at 7 o'clock Tuesday night. The five nominees receiving the most votes will each hold a meeting.

The first meeting by a trial president will be held at 7 o'clock Thursday night. Dates for the other meetings have not been announced. A permanent president will be elected following these meetings.

ATTENDS WINTER CONCLAVE

Prof Charles L. Kinsloe, head of the electrical engineering department, attended the mid-winter convocation of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in New York last week. He served as member of the committee on production and application of light during the convocation.

LIONS SWAP BLOWS WITH W. MARYLAND TOMORROW NIGHT

Experienced Terrors Will Meet Nittany Mit Champions At 7 O'clock

CASONI, CROSBY RENEW FEUD IN 135-POUND BOUT

McAndrews Returns to Former Heavy Position—Struble Will Box Klepac

Pointing to their fifth consecutive victory of the season, Dick Harlow's undefeated Green Terrors will swap punches with the aggressive intercollegiate title holding Lions in the Recreation Hall ring at 7 o'clock tomorrow night.

With victories over Dartmouth, Virginia Military Institute, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and New York University already recorded, Western Maryland has one of the most dangerous teams Coach Leo Houck's proteges will encounter this season.

Ted Klepac and Doug Crosby, intercollegiate champions in the 175 and 135-pound classes respectively are the mainstays of the team and in Houck's opinion "two of the cleverest fighters in intercollegiate boxing."

Klepac Captains Team

Although a champion in the light-heavyweight division Klepac moved down one weight and according to reports is even more effective in his new berth. When Captain George Klepac withdrew from college the first 160-pounder was selected to finish the season in his stead.

When the opening round sounds, Julius Epstein, bantamweight titleholder, will face Flato as his first opponent of the season. In the West Virginia meet his foe was forced to forfeit because of illness. Flato, who won three out of four bouts, will provide plenty of opposition to the shifty, jabbing champion.

Davey Stoops, star sophomore featherweight, will be pitted against Hastings, a new comer to Western Maryland ranks, who has not yet been victorious in the squared ring. Authorities grant Davey the edge in this bout.

The high light of the meet will probably come in the next round when Don Casoni and Doug Crosby attempt.

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SIGMA XI TO PLACE CHAPTER APRIL 4

Will Install College Group Composed Of 83 Fraternity Members on Penn State Faculty

The installation of a local chapter of Sigma Xi, national honorary research fraternity, has been set for April 4. Dean Robert L. Sackett, of the engineering school, announced yesterday.

Twenty-three chapters of the fraternity are represented by eighty-three members of the faculty at Penn State. These members will compose the local organization.

The society, has been in existence forty-three years, having been founded at Cornell in 1857 to establish a fellowship of research scientists. Among the present members are President Herbert Hoover and his wife. They became members during their undergraduate days at Stanford University.

Undergraduate students are not granted full membership but many chapters elect seniors and graduate students, as associate members, if they show promise of ability to do original research. Dean Sackett announced full membership is only granted to graduate students and faculty members who have proved their qualifications by research work completed and published.

NEW INSTRUCTORS JOIN LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY

Prof Ford, O. T. Spersand To Teach Economics, History

Prof Carol W. Ford has been added to the faculty of the economics department, and Orville T. Spersand to the history department, Dean Charles W. Stoddard of the Liberal Arts School announced yesterday.

Professor Ford has recently been connected with the faculty of the World Floating Tour. Prior to this he headed the department of economics at Western State college of Colorado.

EXPECTS Closely-Contested Meet With Green Terrors Tomorrow



HOUCK

HEADS RECOMMEND NEW R.O.T.C. GARB

Government Requires Petition From College to Replace Present Uniforms

That distinctive uniforms for the College R. O. T. C. unit replace the present equipment was recommended by the Department of Military Science and Tactics yesterday. In order to secure the new outfit College officials must send an official request to the War department.

Beginning next September the government will furnish a uniform allowance of \$10 a year per man, which is an increase over the present amount allotted to colleges, military officials announced. This sum will more than cover the cost of new uniforms.

Becomes Student Property

According to military authorities, the new uniform which has been recommended, will be similar to R. O. T. C. equipment at Georgia Tech, Cornell, and Rutgers. At these colleges the uniform consists of long trousers, Norfolk jacket with belt, and overseas cap.

If present plans are adopted by the College the uniforms will become the student's property after the two-year period is completed. In the event that a student drops out of school the government will buy the second hand uniform.

Next year's freshman class would be the first group to give up the present equipment, it College authorities decide to make necessary recommendations to the government. It is planned that sophomores wear the uniforms now in use until 1931.

BEZDEK CHANGES PHYS-ED COURSE

Varsity Coaches To Teach Rotating Groups Giving Instruction in Individual Sports

To diversify and to add interest to courses in physical education, classes will be taught by divided into groups under the supervision of varsity athletic coaches, Prof Hugo Bezdek, director of athletic, announced yesterday.

It is expected that by this method natural athletic ability, which would otherwise be undetected, will be found by the coaches. The coaches will take the class divisions outside of the weather conditions permit.

The various squads will be rotated during the semester, each athletic coach taking charge of a different group at the class meetings. The latter will teach the fundamentals of the sport which they coach.

Coaches Houck, Cattmell, and Conover will instruct the groups in boxing, track, and basketball while Ruthertoid, Higgins, and Spindel will teach golf, football, and wrestling. Eugene C. Bischoff will teach groups in advanced gymnastics.

PROM GROUP ADDS MEMBER

Elizabeth M. Grier '31 has been appointed an additional member of the Junior Prom committee, Earl M. Lendenmuth '31, chairman of the committee, announced yesterday.

Who's Dancing

Tonight
Cwens in the Womens building
Tomorrow
Penn State Club in Armory
Alpha Sigma Phi
Phi Chi

Fraternities Open Conference Today; McGinness, Flint Probe 'Hell Week' in Talks Tomorrow

Delegates and Chapter Heads Will Hear Discussions

CHARTS SHOW PROBLEMS LINKED WITH INITIATION

Questionnaire Reveals Attitude Favoring Abolition of Rough Practices

Samuel W. McGinness, national president of Theta Upsilon Omega, and Harold P. Flint, executive secretary of Tau Kappa Epsilon will be the principal speakers to probe the "Hell Week" problem before Interfraternity Conference delegates tomorrow.

They will address assembled fraternity presidents at the luncheon in Phi Kappa Sigma at 12:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon while Mr. Flint will discuss the topic before the entire Conference group at the smoker to be held in the same house tomorrow night. At the afternoon discussion Mr. McGinness will present a series of charts and graphs which he has prepared to illustrate his talk.

The series deals with the individual problems of the chapters of his fraternity, and he believes it gives an accurate cross-section of representative fraternity life. Mr. Flint has made a detailed study of "Hell Week" and its influence on fraternities throughout a number of years. Having specialized in developing adequate substitutes for the customary rough initiation period, he advocates that an extended period of training in the history and ideals of a fraternity should replace "Hell Week."

A one-sided ballot in favor of a movement to do away with rough initiation practices has been cast by fraternity presidents in reply to the College's questionnaire. Twenty-nine chapters head, would join in a ban against "Hell Week," returned tabulated last night show. Five are champions of a rough initiation period and three are uncertain of their stand. Eighteen have not yet returned their ballots.

DICKINSON FRESHMAN HURT IN INITIATION 'FIRE DRILL'

While undergoing fraternity initiation at Dickinson college, Thomas Gibb, a freshman, was seriously injured Tuesday when he fell from a third story window of the fraternity house during a "fire drill."

The freshmen were being required to descend from the third floor by means of a rope looped around a device on the window ledge. As Gibb grasped the rope, and stepped from the ledge, the loop gave way and he fell to the sidewalk. He suffered fractures of both wrists and ankles, and also internal injuries.

PENN STATE CLUB WILL HOLD DANCE

Prepares Colorful Effects for Annual All-College Hop in Armory Tomorrow Night

A subdued colored lighting effect as background for a network of blue and white streamers will be the stage for the annual All-College dance of the Penn State club to be held in the Armory tomorrow night from 9 to 12.

The Campus Owls, playing from a special amplifying band shell at one end of the floor, will furnish the music. Refreshments have also been arranged for by the committee in charge.

The dance will be open to the entire college with the exception of the freshmen fraternity pledges who are barred from attendance by action of the Student Tribunal. All non-fraternity pledges will be permitted to attend and will be allowed customers for the dance.

Tickets for the dance, which are \$1.50 per couple, may be obtained from club members or at the door.

DR. RITENOUR GIVES LECTURE MAKE-UP COURSE IN HYGIENE

To allow students who received a failure in hygiene last semester to remove the condition, a series of lectures will be conducted every night except Saturday and Sunday at 7 o'clock beginning Monday by Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, College physician.

Upon the completion of the series an examination will be given.

ACTS AS Chairman of Second Fraternity Conclave



ARCHIBALD M. HOLMES

I. F. C. MAY STRIVE FOR APRIL DANCE

Will Present Second Petition To Welfare Committee if Opinions Favor

Additional steps to secure the Student Welfare committee's consent for an Interfraternity Ball in April will be taken despite the recent adverse decision if the student attitude is favorable, Archibald M. Holmes '30, Interfraternity council vice-president, declared yesterday.

"Another petition probably will be presented. If the consensus of fraternity opinion still desires a ball," Holmes stated, "the same date, April 11, will be retained."

A crowded Spring social calendar and an unwelcome increase of student expenditures were cited by the Welfare Committee in denying the petition. The calendar, in its opinion, previously planned for a set number of functions, would place an added strain on the undergraduate pocketbook, with the inclusion of a new affair. The group "was not yet convinced" of the advisability of an Interfraternity formal at the stated date.

No objection to a fraternity dance in the first semester was voiced, however, Interfraternity council officials, has discussed a ball as part of the program for a projected conference in December.

CO-EDS WILL HOLD A. A. HEALTH WEEK

College Physician To Examine All Freshmen, Sophomore Women As Part of Program

To establish a permanent interest in health on the part of all the women students, W. A. A. will hold an intensive health week campaign from February 21 to 27. Laura M. Dorse '32, chairman of the health committee, announced yesterday.

An important measure in the observance of "health week," Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, College physician, will give a rigid physical examination to all freshman and sophomore women.

A part of the campaign will be various health programs presented each night at dances in McAllister Hall dining room. Among the events to be held are a series of songs composed by the members of each dormitory, a health slogan competition by the same groups, and an individual health poster contest.

DR. MOORE WILL GIVE CHAPEL TALK SUNDAY

New York Congressman To Speak on "Things That Matter Most"

Dr. John M. Moore, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, will speak on "Things That Matter Most" before the first chapel address of the second semester in Schuab auditorium Sunday morning.

Dr. Moore is a graduate of Grove City college, where he received his doctor's degree, and also Groves Theological seminary. The speaker was pastor at Macy avenue church, Brooklyn, N. Y., from 1917 to 1928.

6 Fraternity Executive Groups To Convene At Luncheons

SMOKER WILL CONCLUDE PROGRAM OF CONCLAVE

President Hetzel, Mr. Barnes, Dean Warnock Speak at Banquet Tonight

With President Hetzel joining chapter presidents in welcoming the guests of honor, the second Penn State Interfraternity Conference will be ushered in by a formal banquet in Centre Hills country club at 7 o'clock tonight.

Six separate groups of fraternity officers will attend luncheon discussions tomorrow noon, and a smoker for all conference delegates at Phi Kappa Sigma immediately after the boxing meet will terminate the two-day session.

Honoree J. Barnes, a member of the executive committee of the national Interfraternity Conference, will speak at the banquet following Dr. Hetzel's welcoming address. Following the introduction of honor guests by Archibald M. Holmes '30, chairman of the Conference, Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock will review the development of the Penn State Interfraternity Council and Prof Sheldon C. Limer of the economics and sociology department, will discuss the I. F. C. budget of control.

Free bus transportation will be afforded to and from the country club. The buses will leave Co-op corner at 6:30 o'clock tonight.

To Hold Discussions
Robert H. Hogg, executive secretary of Theta Chi, is the latest guest to accept an invitation to the conference.

Chapter advisors will lunch at Kappa Sigma at 12:30 o'clock tomorrow noon. The five other luncheons will be held at the same time. Mr. Barnes, Harvey Salt, Delta Sigma Phi, Dr. William S. Dye head of the English Literature department, and W. K. Morris are the speakers for this discussion. In addition to Mr. Flint and Mr. McGinness, who will discuss "Hell Week," Henry W. Church president of Beta Kappa will speak at the luncheon of fraternity presidents in Phi Kappa Sigma. Clu open tentatives, meeting at Delta Sigma Phi, will hear William W. Widen, Alpha Chi Rho, and E. A. Norton, president of Sigma Phi Sigma.

Ernest M. Burkholder '30, and Mr. Morris are the speakers for the interfraternity luncheon at Sigma Phi. A cooperative fraternity having will be discussed by Mr. Morris and a model luncheon will be served to a number of guests. Chapter scholarship chairman will lunch at Alpha Chi Sigma while E. B. M. Davis of Phi Delta Theta will address these groups will be exhibited to show the standing of fraternities before and after 1900 in all sections of the country.

To Keep Record
J. Harold Johnson, Phi Kappa Alpha and Prof Franklin C. Barnes of the joint advisers department, will speak to chapter editors in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house. Mr. Barnes will discuss a common method of publishing a small paper. Fraternity editors have been asked to bring copies of their chapter papers with them at the time.

In order that a permanent record of the conference actions may be preserved, the chairman of each discussion has nominated a secretary who will record the doing of each group. These records will be mimeographed and run to each member of the discussion group.

Tomorrow night Mr. Flint will address all conference delegates at a smoker at the Phi Kappa Sigma house. This will be held immediately following the morning meet with Western Maryland in Recreation Hall. Mr. Barnes may also deal at the smoker.

While returning to his home in Stokelytown, David A. Rhoades '12 was killed early last Thursday morning when the car in which he was riding, skidded near Johnstown and collided with another. He was thrown through the windshield and died instantly.

Rhoades was a member of Delta Theta Sigma, social fraternity, and a sophomore student in horticulture. He was active in the local Lutheran church and served on the State College board of health.

COLLISION PROVES FATAL TO SOPHOMORE AS CAR SKIDS

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