

Local Council Seeks I. F. C. Merger Under Mutual Rushing Plan

Petition Submitted to National Chapters For Approval

OFFICE APPOINTMENT DECLARED NO PROBLEM

Indications Predict Passage of Measure—Will Necessitate Alteration in Laws

Absorption of Intimacy Council by Interfraternity Council under the same rushing code was predicted last night when ten local fraternities petitioned for membership in Interfraternity Council.

Definite admission of the local body was referred to individual chapters of Interfraternity Council for approval. It was indicated that the petition will be passed by Council at its next meeting.

The petition as presented to Council contained no reservations whatever. In agreeing to observe the same rushing code as that adopted by the national fraternities, the principal discrepancy between the local and national bodies was removed.

Offer No Objection With the acceptance of the proposal by Omega Epsilon, all of the ten local fraternities had ratified the proposal Wednesday night.

As sent to Interfraternity Council, the petition contained the signature of presidents of all the local fraternities and of the executive board of Intimacy Council.

That the appointment of officers in the combined organization might cause a rift in the group difficult to overcome was denied by an official of the local organization. He expressed the opinion that representatives of local fraternities would not seek offices in the combined organizations at the present time.

A two-thirds vote by the present Interfraternity Council members will be necessary to insure acceptance of the petition. Constitutional changes will be necessary before the local organization can be merged with the national. The present laws require a fraternity to have chapters in five colleges or universities before it can be accepted as a member.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB WILL SING SUNDAY

Prof. Fishburne To Direct 50 Co-ed Voices at Fourth Concert in Schwab Auditorium

Fifty members of the Girls' Glee club, under the direction of Hummel Fishburne of the music department, will present a musical program in Schwab auditorium at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon as the fourth number in a series of mid-winter concerts.

Opening the concert with a group of two numbers, the co-ed vocalists will be followed by Miss Edna R. Roderick '31, soprano soloist. Miss Roderick will sing a group of three numbers.

The Girls' Varsity quartet, composed of Miss Grace E. Dietrich '31, Miss Sarah L. Wentzel '31, Miss Edna R. Roderick '31 and Miss Louise O. Wiest '32, then offer a number of selections. "From the Green Heart of the Waters," by Taylor, will be included in the third group offered by the entire Glee club.

Henry S. Brunner '21, a graduate student, will play several violin selections after which the girls' quartet will present two additional selections.

As the concluding number, the Glee club will sing "The Snow Legend," by Clotek, and Bergh's "Medicine Man."

ENGINEERS ARRANGE PLANS FOR CONVENTION DISCUSSION

Plans for the 1930 engineering extension convention will be discussed at a meeting of industrial executives to be held here next Saturday. Invitations to this meeting were extended by Prof. J. Orvis Keller, head of the department.

With the convention set for September 11, 12, and 13, this preliminary meeting is being held to discuss subjects to be presented, and to suggest outstanding speakers.

COMMITTEE ASKS VIEWS OF FACULTY IN CUTTING PROBE

Submit Questions on Proposed Change—Professors Show Increased Interest

SIGMA TAU BACKS PLAN FOR SENIOR PRIVILEGES

Investigating Body Will Report Query Result to A.A.U.P. Early Next Month

A favorable reaction to the student demand for wider cutting privileges was evidenced last night by the decision of the investigating committee, headed by Prof. S. McClelland Butt, to begin a canvass of faculty opinion on the project.

An unofficial tabulation of the faculty group shows that members are favorably impressed by student interest manifest in the plan. They revealed that the need for a uniform class attendance policy was forcibly brought out at the public hearing Monday night.

Sigma Tau, honorary engineering fraternity, also added weight to the side of the proposed cutting plan by unanimously passing a resolution in favor of wider cutting privileges for seniors at its meeting Tuesday night.

To Question Faculty A series of questions relating to the proposed change will be submitted to members of the College faculty this week to determine their attitude towards the proposition. The questionnaire also will be sent to the deans of the various schools.

An analysis of the replies will be included in the committee report which will be submitted to the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors early this spring.

Professor Butt, speaking for the committee, said that the group was very much pleased by student interest shown in the problem. He was backed by Dr. J. Ben Hill, another member, who believes this interest will bear considerable weight in the investigators' decision.

Faculty interest in the matter is steadily increasing according to Prof. Thomas W. Mason, and is only surpassed by student interest in the opinion of Dr. Arthur P. Honess. Prof. Robert E. Minshall personally advanced the belief that the committee was entirely favorable to the matter.

DR. RIES RESIGNS CHEMISTRY POST

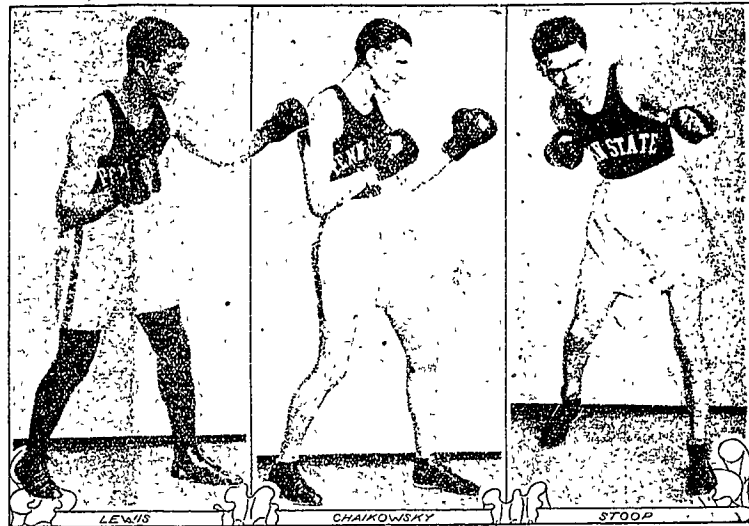
Will Manage Experimental Plant for DuPont Ammonia Company—To Leave Here in June

Dr. Emil D. Ries, head of the chemical engineering department, has resigned his position to accept the management of an experimental plant of the DuPont Ammonia company at Charleston, W. Va.

Dr. Ries' resignation will become effective at the end of this semester. He will take up his post with the West Virginia company about August 1. In his new position he will supervise all research projects conducted at the plant.

In 1926 the engineering head came to Penn State as associate professor in the School of Chemistry and Physics from the faculty of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Previously he had been in charge of motor fuel research for the Standard Oil company.

Make First Bid for Intercollegiate Crowns in Palestra Today



HETZEL WILL GREET ARTISTS TOMORROW

Public Instructors Hold Session For Culture Development in Engineering D

With a welcoming address by President Ralph D. Hetzel, the annual Mountain Arts Conference, sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Department of Public Instruction for instruction of art and allied subjects, will open in 200 Engineering D at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Dean W. G. Chambers, head of the School of Education, Valentine Kirby, art director of the Pennsylvania State Department of Public Instruction, and L. H. Dennis, deputy superintendent of the same department, will also speak at the general session of the convention.

Approximately 125 delegates are expected to attend the conference including members of high schools and normal colleges in the central district of the State. Teachers of industrial art, agricultural, home economics, and commercial studies will attend the convention.

Following the general assembly, delegates will gather in special sessions to discuss problems in their district held of work.

FRATERNITY DEBATORS END SECOND ROUND TOMORROW

Closing the second round of the interfraternity debating tourney, Sigma Tau Phi debaters will face the Kappa Delta Rho team at 7 o'clock tomorrow night in the Kappa Delta Rho house.

Eleven fraternities were eliminated in the second round of the tourney and the six remaining teams will meet in their third debate Monday and Tuesday nights. Beta Kappa Omicron will oppose the Delta Upsilon team, Beta Sigma Rho will engage Phi Kappa Psi, while the Alpha Chi Rho team will meet the Phi Epsilon Phi debaters.

Locust Lane and Campus Cliques Unite Is Report

A threatened split in the 1931 Campus clique was averted when the leaders of the two rival factions decided to renounce aspirations for the Campus nomination and attempt a merger with the Locust Lane clique.

Resulting from a conference between the leaders of the Campus and Locust Lane groups Wednesday night, a special meeting of the latter organization is said to have been held last night. It was expected that final action on the question would be taken.

Rivalry between Sterling E. Brown and J. Cooper French for the senior presidential candidacy of the Campus group was named as the cause for the impending break. Whether the merger will seek the nomination in the Locust Lane combination if their group is admitted is not expressed in political parties.

"French Rumor Squelched" That the conference Wednesday night destroyed the foundation for rumors that French's supporters would join the 1931 clique victorious in the junior elections last year, is claimed by campus politicians. Previous reports had named French as the clique nominee.

Who will be the clique candidate for last year's victory is a question which has been repeatedly discussed in political parlance since the start of college activities. It is generally believed that the party has not seriously considered any one man up to this time.

Conflicting reports as to the number of houses in each of the three organizations are current.

'COLLEGIAN' JUNIOR STAFFS SELECTED

Publication Chooses 6 for Business Board—Names 9 to Men's, 3 on Women's Editorial Groups

Nine sophomore reporters and six sophomore business candidates were named to the junior editorial and business staffs of the Collegian at a special election Wednesday night. Three sophomore women were also elected to the junior editorial staff.

John L. Carson, Hugo K. Fiehn, William H. Irvine, Harry R. McCovey, Hugh R. Riley, Theodore A. Scovill, Saul O. Sher, W. Stearns Townsend, and Edward W. White are the new associate editors.

The new junior business staff is composed of Linwood Y. Erb, Collin E. Fink, Jesse C. McKee, Wendell L. Rehm, Samuel Sinclair, and Edward S. Speer.

Prof. Edwin M. Montague, of the engineering extension department, who has been conducting conference for freshmen in western Pennsylvania, has been granted a leave of absence from the College, which began March 1.

HOUCK SHIFTS RING LINE-UP AS LIONS MAKE TITLE STAND

Stoop Will Box Bantamweight Tonight—Epstein Takes 125-Pound Berth

McANDREWS TO FIGHT IN LIGHT-HEAVY CLASS

Alex Chaikowsky Moves Up to Unlimited Post—Coach May Enter Former Team

Coach Leo Houck shot a hard right to the jaws of boxing dopsters yesterday when he revealed his decision to send a radically revamped Lion team to defend its crown in the Eastern Intercollegiate ring tournament at the Palestra, Philadelphia, tonight and tomorrow.

Houck's strategic move involves the reversal of berths held during this season by Julie Epstein and Davey Stoop. Julie will move up to the 125-pound post while Davey will be shifted to the bantamweight class. This action was taken because Davey can make weight with much less difficulty than Julie, who would be forced to weaken himself in losing sufficient pounds.

Most amazing to Nittany ring adherents is the shift of Alex Chaikowsky to the heavyweight class and placing of Captain Marty McAndrews in the 175-pound position with Bill Stubble holding down the middleweight division. Marty and Bill have both been fighting in classes above their weights this season. With this handicap removed they are expected to make powerful bids for intercollegiate glory.

Max Change Mind In contrast to the productions of ten years ago, "Francesca da Rimini" will be elaborately staged tomorrow night with a modernistic set and lighting effect. The cast will be dressed in special costumes of the Renaissance period.

To further celebrate the occasion the Players will hold their anniversary supper at the Centre Hills Country club immediately following the show. This affair will be in the form of a dinner in honor of Prof. Arthur C. Cloetngh, director of the show, and also director of the opening play ten years ago.

Milton C. Young '31, president of Players, will head the group of victorious actors cast in the show. He will play the leading part of "Lancotto," a crippled, hunch-backed character, opposite Miss Phyllis Beidler '31, who is to portray the title character of "Francesca."

Arthur R. Cunningham '31, will enact the part of "Paolo," whose love for his brother's bride causes the conflict. Miss Florence Smedley '32, as a lady-in-waiting to "Francesca," will share the leading roles with Miss Beidler.

The comic relief of the tragedy, will be played by Neil G. Campbell '31, Saul O. Sher '32, as the father of "Francesca," and Ralph D. Hetzel '31 in the role of Lancotto's father will complete the major roles.

Commemorative programs arranged as souvenirs of the hundredth play will be presented to the spectators in keeping with the dignity of the occasion, the audience is requested to dress formally.

DR. SIMMONS WILL SPEAK ON 'SCHNITZLER' TUESDAY

Dr. Lucetta V. T. Simmons, head of the German department, will lecture on "Arthur Schnitzler" as the sixth number of the German lecture series, in the Liberal Arts building at 10 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Prof. George I. Wurf, of the department, will deliver a talk on "Hofmannsthal" April 1, as the next talk of the series. Dr. Simmons will speak again on April 8, discussing "Weibel and Tolst."

Plans are under way for a campus reunion to be staged Thursday night, April 10, in Schwab auditorium. The Penn State Players' contest play, recitations by the men's and women's Varsity quartet and Thespian skits, are among the possible presentations on the revue.

Miss Charlotte E. Ray, Dean of Women, will entertain the delegates at a tea in Women's building, Friday afternoon. Women's organizations also will sponsor several lunches and dinners.

WOODS REPRESENTS MINERS Rev. W. Woods '30 will represent the Penn State chapter of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, honorary mining fraternity at the national convention to be held at the University of Oklahoma, April 1 and 2.

SPRING FEVER NO BARRIER TO SEDATE SCHOLAR DESPITE THOUGHTS OF LOVE, PROFESSORS SAY

Today is the beginning of the "spring fever" season. Contrary to the writings of poets that a "young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love" at this season, it is the belief of several Penn State professors that students apply themselves more diligently than ever to scholastic work.

One of the most ardent supporters of this theory is Dr. Carroll D. Champlin, professor of education, who himself believes that even the lazzard student takes an inventory of himself at this season and gets down to work.

The educator stated, "In the spring-time nature shows one the real motive of life. The beauties of our surroundings at this period of the year makes us see life in a more realistic vein."

to agree with the weather man as to the date for "spring fever" and declared, "This disease has never been known to make its appearance at Penn State until about May 1."

The fact that the student body is shrewd and keeps right on working even though the calendar proclaims the coming of spring was given by the Dean as his reason for this phenomenon.

In the opinion of Dean R. L. Sackel, etc., the engineering students are not likely to be distracted by thoughts of the fair sex even in spring. He advanced as proof the fact that students' marks go up during the second semester.

Casting aside all precedent, Dr. Edward H. Dusham, head of the entomology department, emphatically said, "There is no such thing as 'spring fever' in my opinion."

On the other hand, Dr. Charles C. Peters, director of educational research, sticks by the old theory that "spring fever" does have a bad effect on students. He believes that the tendency to go "loving-riding" was likely to be detrimental.

While teaching in Miami two years ago, the doctor declared that he had a hard time trying to keep the students interested in their work. Here, however, he thinks that the warm spell is so short that no havoc is wreaked with students' marks.

Another adherent to the "old school" is Dr. Bruce V. Moore of the psychology department who feels that students are neglected in the spring. He likewise believes that the fair sex can exert a bad influence on the "collegian" at this time.