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COMMITTEE ALLOTS \$550 FOR STUDENT UNION EQUIPMENT

Approves Association's Program To Promote Widespread Use of Old Main

GROUP WILL SPONSOR 2 ALL-COLLEGE FUNCTIONS

Plans Open House After Boxing Intercollegiate—Studies Social Life Here

In accord with a program for making Old Main the center of student life, the interclass budget committee Wednesday appropriated \$550 to put into effect the recommendations of Student Union

As a result of the appropriation the third floor lounge will be converted within the next two weeks into a game room containing card tables, cards, checkers, chess, and ping pong boards. Magazines and newspapers will be provided in the second floor lounge for students' convenience.

Following the suggestions set forth in the Union's proposals, room 405 will be fitted with equipment for society and honorary fraternity initiations, including gavel, cabinets for ceremonial robes, and ballot boxes. Checker boards will also be provided in the basement lounge.

To Hold Open House In addition, \$400 of the \$550 appropriated will be used to purchase furniture for the parlor in front of Old Main, in an effort to provide a place for students to spend their leisure time outdoors.

"The new equipment is placed at the disposal of students for their benefit," declared Raymond A. Bowers '31, chairman of the Union, in commenting on the improvement.

Plans for two all-college functions sponsored by the Union were discussed at a meeting of the activities group Thursday night and tentative dates set. The first of these is an open house to be held in Old Main following the finals of the boxing intercollegiate. Dancing and cards are part of the entertainment being arranged by the committee of which Norman E. Blair '31 is chairman.

A similar affair is under consideration for the first weekend after Easter vacation. Another committee with Mrs. Helen Buckwalter '31 as chairman was appointed to make a study of the problems and opportunities of social life at Penn State.

FIRESIDSE SESSIONS BEGIN NEXT WEEK

33 Faculty Members To Lead Group Discussions in Fraternities Until End of March

Under the leadership of fifty-three selected members of the faculty, the Fireside Sessions, sponsored by the Y. M. C. A., will begin next week and continue until the end of March.

Informal discussions will be held in fraternity houses under the guidance of a faculty leader on topics which have been selected by the individual groups. A discussion group for non-fraternity men will also be held in Old Main, Harry W. Seaman, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., announced.

Included in the topics selected to be discussed are "Fraternity Life," "Campus Stuntions and Student Ethics," "Leisure Time," "Prohibition," "Sex and Marriage," "Athletics and Sports," and "Religion and Philosophy of Life." Fraternity and non-fraternity groups may also discuss subjects presented by Sherwood Eddy in his recent lecture series here, Mr. Seaman added.

The purpose of the Fireside Sessions as defined by Mr. Seaman is to provide an opportunity for men's living groups to discuss questions of interest to students informally under the direction of a faculty leader of their own choice. Letters have been sent to fifty-three faculty members requesting them to lead discussion groups.

STOVER GIVES SALES TALKS

Prof. Harry W. Stover, of the Economics department, will instruct salespeople in four New Castle department stores in selling today and tomorrow, under the auspices of the department of engineering extension. The lectures form part of an intensive short course concerning the problem of retail merchandising.

Dr. Martin To Give Second Liberal Arts Talk Tonight

History Head Will Discuss Indians in Room 107 Main Engineering at 7 O'clock

Presenting the second talk in the Liberal Arts lecture series, Dr. A. A. E. Martin, of the department of history and political science, will speak upon "Glimpses of the Southwestern Indians," in Room 107 Main Engineering at 7 o'clock tonight.

Because of extensive travel and observation in the West, Dr. Martin has had opportunity to study the Indians whose habits he will discuss. While on leave of absence from the College last semester, the lecturer stayed for five months in Arizona, where he was able to gain a close observation of the Indians.

Dr. Martin was graduated from

William Jewell college located at Liberty, Mo., in 1908, and received his Master of Arts degree from the same institution in 1912. He took graduate work at the University of Chicago for three summer sessions and then went to Cornell university, which granted him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1915.

He came to Penn State as instructor in American history in 1915, and was promoted to the rank of assistant professor the following year. In 1918 he was appointed head of the department of history and political science. Dr. Martin is the author of "Our Negro Population," "History of the United States, 1783-1865," and co-author with Mr. H. H. Shenk of "Pennsylvania History Told by Contemporaries." He is a member of the American Historical Association, Pennsylvania Educational Association, and the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania.

FIRE DAMAGES DR. GILLESPIE'S HOME

\$3000 Blaze Endangers History Professor's Manuscript Friday Afternoon

Fire which gutted the two-story residence of Dr. James E. Gillespie, professor of European history, 231 E. Park avenue, and imperiled a manuscript on which he had spent two years' labor was brought under control only after damage estimated at \$3,000 had been incurred Friday afternoon.

The blaze broke out at 5 o'clock when sparks-escaped from the open fire box while Dr. Gillespie was firing sparks took seat in a nearby kitchen and before he could extinguish them, the flames had become imbedded in the partitions of the structure.

Dense smoke made it difficult to locate the blaze, which confined itself mainly to the basement and walls. In order to reach the flames local firemen were forced to hack away numerous portions of the partitions. Because of the confinement of the actual fire the volunteers were compelled to drench the smoking walls with a continuous play of water which flooded the cellar and damaged interior furnishings.

Ansver Fraternity Call Donning gas-masks, the fire-fighters made a futile attempt to rescue Dr. Gillespie's manuscript from a second-story room. At 6 o'clock, when the smoke had subsided and the flames were under control, Dr. Gillespie succeeded in securing it.

The property, damaged principally by smoke, is owned by Professor C. R. Orton, former member of the botany department here, who is now engaged at the University of West Virginia. The loss to the house is covered by \$7,000 insurance while possible future damage is indemnified by a \$1500 policy.

Within an hour after this fire had been extinguished, a second alarm came from the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity on E. Beaver avenue. The blaze which was confined to the chimney flue did not require the services of the firemen.

TANNER GAINS POSITION AS COMPENSATION TECHNICIAN

Prof. Sheldon C. Tanner, of the department of economics and sociology was appointed by Governor Pinchot on Friday as technician of the State Workmen's Compensation Board. The Board sits as a court of appeals for cases unsatisfactorily reviewed by referees.

Prof. Tanner's duties will deal with premiums, dividends, and legal research. The position will not interfere with his teaching duties here.

SHAW, BLAIR WILL PRESENT PAPER AT CERAMIC MEETING

Professor Joseph B. Shaw and Mr. George J. Blair, of the ceramics department, went to Cleveland, Ohio, yesterday to attend a meeting of the American Ceramic Society, which will last until Friday.

They will present a paper on further progress in the development of a standard method of testing resistance of refractories to abrasion at high temperatures.

DRAMATISTS OFFER ROBOT PRODUCTION

James '32, Perkin '32 to Enact Leading Roles in 'R.U.R.' Saturday Night

With Marion L. James '32 and Emanuel Perkin '32 in the leading roles, the Penn State Players will produce "R. U. R.," a fantastic melodrama, in Schwab auditorium at 8 1/2 o'clock Saturday night.

Prof. Arthur C. Cloetingh directed the cast of thirty-three characters. The play, written by Karel Capek deals with the manufacture of robots on a large scale.

Perkin will enact the role of the manager of the factory which produces "Rossum's Universal Robots." Miss James comes to the factory in the character of Helena Glory, planning to emancipate all robots. Five human scientists and managers in the factory are played by Neil G. Campbell '31, Reginald R. Keaton '32, Sidney H. Benjamin '33, Joseph W. Coughlin '31, and Jerome Knuffman '31.

Robots Will Battle An old nurse, the only other part of a human being in the play, is enacted by Myrtle H. Webb '32. Important among the robots is Sullia, a secretary who can speak five languages, played by Jean E. Simmons '32. Robert W. Ruckel '33 plays the part of Marus, a finely finished mechanical man.

Leader of the robots' revolt is Radius, to be enacted by James E. Gross '32. The technicians are represented by Peter C. Meek '32, Victor H. Janavitz '34 and August J. Wetzell '34.

In the epilog, Margaret E. Borden '31 and Benjamin L. Conrad '32 will appear as the robot lovers. Sixteen other players will face the footlights as robots in the battle scene. Special sets are being designed for the play by Willard H. Lowry '32 and Edgar Newcomer '32. Donald A. Shelley '32 will direct the Players' little symphony orchestra in the musical interludes.

FORMER TRUSTEE DIES IN HARRISBURG SUNDAY

Dr. Keith Connected With College as Pennsylvania Education Head

Dr. John A. H. Keith, trustee of the College during his term as superintendent of public instruction in the State for the last four years, died Sunday at his home in Harrisburg.

Appointed by Governor John S. Fisher, Dr. Keith's term expired on January 21. Since then he has been serving in the public instruction department as special consultant in educational matters.

Governor Gifford Pinchot has not yet announced his selection for this place on his cabinet. The appointee will automatically become a trustee of the College.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS PUBLISH SENIOR BOOKLETS

The various departments in the School of Engineering are issuing booklets containing personal histories and practical experiences of the engineers in the class of 1931.

These booklets, which aid in the departmental employment services, will be sent to factory managers and executives looking for college graduates with specialized training.

Freshmen Will Hold Elections Thursday

To elect a president and vice-president, freshmen will hold a class meeting in the Chemistry amphitheatre at 7 30 o'clock Thursday night, according to an announcement by Alfred E. Lewis '32, organizer of the class of 1934.

Trial presidents will conduct a preliminary meeting of the class, which will take place in the Chemistry amphitheatre at 7 30 o'clock tonight.

Y.W.C.A. TO PROBE SECRETARY PLAN

Will Conduct Survey This Week Seeking Co-ed Opinion on Salaried Leader

Believing that a paid secretary would aid the Y.W.C.A. in being of greater service to Penn State women, trial presidents will conduct a survey this week among the women students to learn whether they will back this project.

The proposed secretary, occupying the same position in the women's organization as does the Y. M. C. A. secretary, would serve to coordinate the activities of that group and act as advisor in student problems.

It is the belief of Miss Elizabeth Everett '32, president of the Y.W.C.A., that such an official would put the organization on a firmer basis and would stabilize the College work from year to year. Through her, the campus organization would obtain a broadened viewpoint on national activities of the Y.W.C.A. and would have closer contact with the central group.

Will Advise Co-eds Gaining student cooperation with this plan, the Y.W.C.A. will then solicit the support of the College administration. If the project meets with immediate favor the secretary may possibly be installed this September.

The expense of maintaining such a worker would be borne jointly by the national association, the local group, and the College administration, supplemented by contributions of the Y.W.C.A. alumnae, under the proposed plan.

The duties of the proposed official, as outlined by Mrs. Harry Seaman, advisor to the Cabinet, would include that of being a counselor to women students, facing personal problems, and needs. In addition to this, she might aid them in finding employment.

Y WILL SPONSOR LIFE WORK WEEK

Christian '32 Heads Group To Help Students Select Vocations Sunday to Wednesday

A Life Work Week project designed to aid students in the choice of a vocation will be held from Sunday until Wednesday by the Penn State Christian Association with Clarence E. Christian '32 as chairman.

Beginning Sunday with special programs in downtown churches, the conference will continue with an all-College mass meeting in the Auditorium at 6:30 o'clock, Monday night, at which Mr. Lewis M. Stevens, Philadelphia attorney, will speak.

Appointments may be made by students for one hour interviews with faculty men and women who have accepted an invitation to serve as counselors in their particular phase of professional work. A committee headed by Miss Ruth H. Niebel '33 and George K. Davis '33 is distributing appointment cards and will arrange interview periods which are to extend from Monday to Wednesday.

A collection of literature on general vocational subjects has been placed on reserve at the Carnegie library in the bibliography room, Alcock II, where it will be available during the next few weeks for those wishing to secure further information concerning occupations and professions.

Assisting the student committee of which Mrs. Elizabeth Everett '32, Miss Margaret E. Tschann '32 and H. Aubrey Myers '32 are also members, is a faculty advisory committee composed of Miss Julia G. Brill, Prof. B. V. Moore, Prof. H. G. Parkinson, Prof. C. E. Bullinger, Prof. M. M. Harris, Miss Ina Padgett, Dean A. R. Warnock, Dean Charlotte E. Ray, and Dean Hugo Derbek.

EDUCATORS HEAR PETERS

Prof. Charles C. Peters, director of educational research, addressed the Wannamaker educational institute Saturday. Professor Peters spoke on "The Social Objectives of an Education"

GLEE CLUB GAINS SONG TITLE FIFTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Wins State Championship Crown At Annual Pennsylvania Contest Friday

COMPETES IN NATIONAL ELIMINATIONS MARCH 11

U. of P. Takes Second Honors. Lafayette Third, Juniata, Moravian Follow

By winning their fifth consecutive championship of the Pennsylvania Glee Club association in Philadelphia Friday night, Penn State glee men secured the right to represent the state at the national contest in New York city, March 11.

From a secret vote of the judges, the Nittany songsters received a rating of 263 1/2, while the University of Pennsylvania, competing for the first time since 1919, placed second with 258.4 points. Lafayette took third prize, and no ratings were recorded for Juniata and Moravian colleges, the remaining competitors.

In Carnegie hall, the club will face thirteen or fourteen entries from all parts of the country. Sectional contests are held among the 102 members of the national glee club association to determine contestants for the New York event.

Conduct Short Tour Edwin O. Harvey '31 directed the thirty selected singers in their winning performance. Penn State's choice song, "Edwards Grief," "Ave Maria Stella" was the first number on the program. The other clubs followed with varied choice songs, sung under the direction of student leaders.

The judges, chosen by the Pennsylvania Glee Club association, were George L. Lind-ay, director of public school music in Philadelphia, Alberto Bimboni, director of the Orpheus club, and Nicola Montani, director of the Palestra choir.

Each group sang the same song, "Easting I Watch" by Edward Elgar, while the Penn State organization presented Director Richard Grant's arrangement of "The Blue and White." The Orpheus club, male choral society, joined with the combined glee clubs to form a chorus of 230 voices. Under the baton of Marshall Bartholomew, director of music at Yale university, this group sang two numbers, one of which was Mr. Bartholomew's composition.

The Glee club returned here Sunday night after filling entertainment engagements at Chester, Elizabethtown, Elkins Park, and Reading. Edwin R. Rodewick '31, Robert G. Thush '31, Jay Kennedy '32 and Albert Kaplan '34 accompanied the organization to perform with them in the cities.

BELL TELEPHONE EXECUTIVE CLAIMS 7 PERCENT TOBILLES

That the greatest unemployment problem of its modern industrial career is facing the United States today, was the opinion of Mr. F. J. Chesterton, vice-president of the Bell Telephone company of Pennsylvania and vice-chairman of the relief committee for the Pittsburgh area in the weekly engineering lecture, Friday.

Estimating that seven percent of the population is jobless, Mr. Chesterton stated that one of the tasks facing engineers is bridging the gap between inventions which increase employment and the development of new products to alleviate existing conditions.

'AMERICAN TEACHING SYSTEM BEST,' SAYS NOTED PHYSICIST

One of the ten men in the world who understand Einstein's "Theory of Relativity" perfectly, Dr. Arthur Haas, believes that American method of teaching physics are superior to the tutorial system prevailing in Europe.

Dr. Haas, a physicist from the University of Vienna, Austria, has experienced more than twenty-five years of continued study and teaching in foreign universities in which he has met with various methods of instruction.

"Although I am not as well acquainted with American universities as I would like to be," the Viennese scientist explained, "I believe that classroom instruction has more advantages than the tutorial system prevalent in the Continent."

Dr. Haas explained to faculty members and students the relationship of physics to modern views of the universe in a series of lectures last week. Were all the atoms which are contained in one cubic centimeter of air lined up one behind the other, they would reach more than one hundred times around the equator, around a physicist, citing the enormous quantities dealt with in this science.

Second only to Dr. Albert Einstein, greatest of modern physicists, in the field of theoretical mechanics, Dr. Haas received the first incentive to master his profession from a professor in grammar school. Comediant with this, he was spotted on by the great engineering feats accomplished early in the twentieth century with the aid of physics, he declared.

College Uses 100,000 Blue Books Annually

Blue books which would reach from Old Main to the top of Centre Hill mountain are used annually at Penn State, statisticians have ascertained after a survey of State College book stores.

Approximately 100,000 of the examination pamphlets are employed by undergraduates in the shapes of mid-semester tests, or finals annually, it was discovered. The average for each student is close to twenty-five every year.

Queries as to their use were answered by allotting four of the books for final examinations each semester and providing seven as material for the mid-semester quizzes. Penn State students, buy at least eight-five blue books during their undergraduate career, according to the count of observers.

SAUNDERS SPEAKS IN CHAPEL SUNDAY

Brooklyn Pastor Sees Present World Situation Similar To Hebrew Times

That we are in a position similar to that of the Hebrew people who had come out of Egypt into the desert country, was stated by the Rev. Wilbur E. Saunders, pastor of Marey Street Baptist church of Brooklyn, New York, in a address at the chapel service in Schwab auditorium Sunday morning.

Some of the Hebrew people wanted to return to bondage in Egypt, Rev. Saunders declared. Others were satisfied with the desert country home made while a few had the vision of the promised land. This same condition is present today and we are taking the place of the Hebrew people, he added.

"At present there is too much discussion among many small groups, which removes the loyalty that would exist between people of different races and color," the Brooklyn pastor contended.

"The New Morality," he continued, "will be possible only when this present era of selfishness, and self satisfaction is supplanted by a kingdom of life and love."

"When the new kingdom does come the distinction between right and wrong will be self imposed, because every woman is then mother and classed every man as a brother," he declared.

HEALTH CLASS BEGINS IN DISPENSARY MONDAY

College Doctors To Organize Group For Underweight Students

To provide the means for students who are underweight to regain their lost pounds, the College Health service will begin a "class" in diet, rest, and "time budgeting" Monday.

The College physicians plan to organize a group of twenty men students who will eat together, and if facilities can be obtained, a room will be provided in which the members may rest before meals.

Records will be kept of each individual's progress. Students desiring to enroll in the "club," which is open to all men students who are underweight, may secure particulars at the dispensary in the basement of Old Main.

HOMER CLUB INITIATES 20

The Louise Homer Club, women's honorary musical organization, formally initiated twenty members last Tuesday night in the Auditorium.

Miss Lenta, violinist, will assist in presentation of fourth Artists' Production

In its only appearance this winter, the Penn State Glee club, assisted by Miss Sylvia Lent, violinist, will present the fourth of a series of Artists' Course numbers March 17.

COLLEGE DEBATERS ENGAGE VIRGINIANS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Klapper '33, Miller '31. Oppose William and Mary Tonight In 315 M. I. Building

MEN ORATORS DISCUSS FREE TRADE THURSDAY

Women's Team Defeats Ursinus Here, Ties at Collegeville Meet Friday Night

Arguing the question "Resolved That the States Should Enact Compulsory Unemployment Insurance," Samuel J. Klapper '33 and Ernest C. Miller '31 will defend the affirmative against William and Mary representatives in 315 Memorial Industries building at 7 15 o'clock tonight.

Harry W. Lightstone '31 and Aaron Druckman '31 will advocate the affirmative of the free trade question using the Oregon state against Dickinson college at Carlisle, Thursday night. Lightstone is in his second year of intercollegiate debating and is a member of the Forensic council.

Women Win, Tie In the final debate of the week, Oville A. Hitchcock '31 and Robert E. Tschann '32 will uphold the affirmative of the unemployment insurance topic against a Juniata team at Huntington Friday night. Both members participating in the debate tonight argued with William and Mary as well as Druckman and Tschann will make their mutual entrance in college debating this week.

Plans for the Western Pennsylvania trip which includes debates at Sator Hill, Washington and Jefferson, and the University of Pittsburgh have been completed by Coach O'Brien with the election of a team composed of Oville A. Hitchcock '31 and Milton I. Blumberg '31. Hitchcock is in his third year of intercollegiate debating while Blumberg will make his first appearance. In addition to being member of Delta Sigma Rho, honorary debating fraternity, Hitchcock heads the Forensic council.

In the dual contest with Ursinus college women debaters on the free trade question Friday night, the Misses Margaret A. Loran '31 and Harriet M. Harty '33 won here by an audience sway of opinion vote. Twenty-four persons changed to the affirmative side which Penn State was supporting, twenty-two were swayed to the negative, and eleven were not moved from their original opinion.

The Misses Margorie Hathaway '31 and Elizabeth S. P. Hines '31 upholding the negative of the question, received a tie decision at Collegeville.

GLEEMEN TO GIVE CONCERT MARCH 17

Sylvia Lent, Violinist, Will Assist In Presentation of Fourth Artists' Production

In its only appearance this winter, the Penn State Glee club, assisted by Miss Sylvia Lent, violinist, will present the fourth of a series of Artists' Course numbers March 17.

The ent violinist who will accompany the Glee club began her rigorous training early in life, under the father's supervision. From the time when she first heard the tones and melodies that were organized in the family household, the Artists' Course entertainers has had a musical background for her work.

As the first student of Leopold Auer in this country, she was rewarded by the Russian artist for her ability. She has definitely adopted the methods of Auer's school of violin playing, which is easily recognized in her method of holding the instrument.

Miss Lent prefaced her musical career in America with a short concert tour in Europe. Her first appearance was at a recital in Berlin, in 1922. Appearances in Dresden, Leipzig and Munich followed.

Returning to America, the violinist made her debut at the Town Hall, New York city, on March 5, 1924. Her venerable instructor, Auer, who had taught many of the world's most accomplished artists, declared himself more than satisfied with her work.

CONFERES WITH BALUCHIANS

Executives of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, of Teron, Pa., will meet with Prof. J. Orvis Kello, of the engineering extension department, to discuss problems of industrial management at five noon hour luncheon this week.