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## STUDENTS TO HOLD CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE THURSDAY

Old Main Plaza Selected for Traditional All-College Song Program

CHORUS OF 100 VOICES TO LEAD YULE SINGING

Mixed Quartet With Special Echo Effect Included in Musical Numbers

Penn State's student body will unite in an all-college singing of Christmas carols under the direction of Prof. Richard W. Grant of the department of music on the plaza of Old Main at 9 o'clock Thursday night. Old, familiar Yuletide songs will be sung at the convocation by students attending, led from the steps of Old Main by a specially selected choir of 100 voices. The choir will also present several of the lesser known carols.

### Quartet To Sing

A trumpet obligato will be provided for the singing by a quartet composed of Paul W. Filer '33, John R. Burkholder '34, Emery E. May '34, and Claude E. Shappelle '34. This group will also be stationed on the steps of the administration building. "Silent Night," chosen as one of the best known and most traditional of the Christmas carols, will be sung from the tower of Old Main by a double mixed quartet. The song will be given with special echo effects, according to present plans.

### Urges Attendance

Professor Grant has urged that all students attend the exercises Thursday night. He pointed out that it is an attempt to create a feeling of Christmas good will before the students leave the campus for the vacation.

"We are trying to make this all-college singing of Christmas carols a Penn State tradition," Grant stated. "Such a thing can be accomplished only if we have the co-operation of everyone. Those who do attend are sure to enjoy having old songs of the season recalled by a mass songfest such as this."

## CO-EDS WILL HOLD CHRISTMAS DINNER

McAllister Hall Women To Assume English Carib at Function Tomorrow Night

Gala costumes, merriment, and medieval traditions will prevail in the McAllister hall dining room tomorrow night when the women students hold their annual Old English Christmas dinner.

Dignified lords and ladies will reign in the days of old. Lord McAllister, Elizabeth C. Bell '32, with Muriel E. Bowman '32 as Lady McAllister will head the retinue which includes two representatives from each class.

M. Lydia Haller as lord of the senior class will escort Ruth P. Meyer as lady. Representing the juniors, M. Dorothy Johnston will lead Phyllis G. Bessler, while lord of the sophomore class, Helen C. Palmer, will dine with June L. Brown, lady of the class. Arlene Vought will assume the role of lady of the freshman class with Martha J. Brigg as her escort.

Announcing the procession of the Lord's court, A. Catherine Miller '35 and Sarah A. McKee '35 will herald the entrance, while Lillian J. Eiters '35 will be Lady McAllister's train-bearer. The prologue will be given by Ruth H. Nichel '33, while Marie E. McMahon '32 will act as cardinal. Isabella B. Murr '32 will read the Christmas poem. Rosalie N. Joseph '35 and Mona G. Roberts '35, will serve as jesters.

## BOYCE NAMED PRESIDENT OF PITTSBURGH SCHENLEY CLUB

Wilbur H. Boyce '35 was elected president of the newly formed Schenley club at a meeting held Tuesday night. The club is composed of Penn State students who have either attended or graduated from the Schenley High School in Pittsburgh.

Other officers elected were Arthur S. Foust '34, vice-president; Karel F. Weber '34, secretary; Thomas J. Schofield '34, treasurer; and Wilbert C. Hobbs '32, social chairman.

## Dye Lauds Proposed Change In Awarding of Scholarships

Chairman Believes Council's Recommendations Give Proper Consideration to Needy

Council's recommended changes in the selection of scholarship recipients can more nearly fulfill the purpose of the donors than the present method, Dr. William S. Dye, head of the department of English literature and chairman of the Senate committee on academic standards, commented in an interview with the COLLEGIAN.

"Because the donors intended to provide a means for helping students doing excellent scholastic work in spite of financial handicap, the placing of the awards squarely on the basis of need within the upper tenth is a decided improvement, Dr. Dye believes. "The submitting of a certified, alphabetically arranged list of the entire upper tenth of the class to the committee makes it possible for every deserving student to receive the attention on an equal basis. Under the present method, class nominations and deans' lists may miss deserving candidates," Dr. Dye believes.

The proposal of having eligible students who desire awards make application, is generally used for scholarships of this kind in other universities, he said. Learning of the assistance which the applicant is receiving in this manner, the committee can determine need more fairly and can check on a student receiving duplicate awards, Dr. Dye further explained as an advantage of the new system.

## PLANS FOR SUMMER DORMS UNCHANGED

Applicants Desiring To Operate Houses for Session Must Apply by Jan. 10

Selection of fraternity houses as women's dormitories for the 1932 summer session will be made in the same manner as last year, according to Dean Will Grant Chambers, director of the session.

All fraternities desiring to operate their houses should apply for application blanks immediately following the Christmas holidays. These forms, correctly filled out and signed by the proper fraternity officers, should be returned to the director's office not later than January 20.

Dean Chambers emphasized the point that a regularly elected house manager must be in charge. Any change in house manager after January 20, will automatically cancel the approval of the house as a dormitory.

The privilege of applying for permission to operate summer school dormitories is offered to all fraternities and other houses in State College. The college authorities have estimated on the basis of last year's summer registration that not more than sixteen fraternity houses will be needed for women and not more than four to provide facilities for men.

The college reserves the right to choose those houses which are best suited for the comfort of the summer session students. The condition of the house, furnishings, accessibility, freedom from noise, proper screening against flies, qualifications of the house manager as to training and experience, and a complete budget statement explaining the manner in which the house is run, will be considered when the summer session authorities make their choice.

## MARQUARDT ELECTED HEAD OF PHI BETA KAPPA ALUMNI

Dr. Carl E. Marquardt was re-elected president of the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni association at a dinner meeting of the organization Thursday night. Other officers re-elected were: Cyrus V. D. Bissay, secretary; Prof. Charles J. Rowland, treasurer; Dr. Robert E. Dengler and Dr. Carl W. Hasak, members of the executive committee.

Dr. Marquardt described prospects of obtaining a chapter here of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, as promising. He also told of a detailed report on the work of various departments of the College which was sent to the committee on criteria of the organization.

## DAVEY NAMED CONSULTANT

Dr. Wheeler P. Davey, head of the physical chemistry department, has been appointed a consultant to the Radiological Research Institute of St. Louis, Mo. The newly organized institute is functioning in the research for the use of X-ray and radium in the treatment of cancer.

## Bryan Chosen Head Of I. F. Ball Group

Charles C. Bryan '32 has been named chairman of a committee to arrange plans for the Interfraternity Ball, Francis L. Mathews '32, president of Interfraternity Council, has announced.

Although the exact date for the dance has not yet been settled, it will probably be held sometime in April, Bryan said. The committee to assist Bryan will be announced following the Christmas vacation.

## SARG MARIONETTES APPEAR TOMORROW

To Give Thackeray's 'The Rose And the Ring' as Single Show at 8 O'clock

Presenting Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring," the original Tony Sarg Marionettes will visit Penn State for a single performance in Schwab auditorium tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. The Marionettes are appearing under the auspices of the Penn State Players.

"The Rose and the Ring" is a play, fantastic in nature, amply fulfilling Sarg's motto to have a laugh or a stunt in every three minutes of the performance. Dealing with the mythical kingdoms of Pflagonia and Grim-Tartary, the action in the play moves rapidly and is particularly well-adapted for marionette production.

Although he has achieved widespread fame with his marionette companies, Sarg regards the creation of the doll plays simply as a sideline and has nothing to do with their actual production. Seven puppeteers will operate the twenty characters appearing in the play as well as speak their lines.

Touring the country the past ten years, the Marionettes have appeared here on several previous occasions. In 1926 an adaptation of Stevenson's "Treasure Island" was presented, and in 1928 two plays, "The Adventures of Christopher Columbus" and a "Spanish Fiesta," were the Sarg offerings.

The Marionette company literally carries its stage from theatre to theatre, since a special stage is required for presenting the plays. Costume and scenery effects equal to those of metropolitan theatrical productions add to the production.

## LIBRARY TO ESTABLISH NEW OPEN SHELF READING ROOM

Changing the reference room from its present location in the north side of Carnegie library to Room A adjoining the front entrance, Willard P. Lewis, college librarian announces plans for establishing an open shelf reading room where the reference room is now located.

The new reading room will be established following the Christmas vacation and will contain about 1,500 volumes of general reading matter. Students may select their own readings from twelve series containing works of fiction, poetry, essays, travel, biography, and other groups.

## FRESHMEN CANNOT READ ALOUD PLEASANTLY OR INTELLIGENTLY, SPEAKING TEST REVEALS

Division Examines 1104 New Students in First Large Scale Study of Speech

Ability to read aloud pleasantly and intelligently is virtually a lost art in the present freshman class, results of an examination conducted by the public speaking division show. The test was one of the first attempts of any college to study speech habits on a large scale with a view to giving corrective treatment.

Under the direction of Prof. John H. Frizzell, of the public speaking division, 1,104 first-year students were examined as part of the regular Freshman Week program. Twenty-eight students were found to be in need of immediate corrective treatment, while sixty were recommended for help as soon as the facilities of the speech clinic could take care of them.

Slightly less than eight percent of the entire group showed some appreciable deviation from normal, the examination revealed. No serious disorders were found among women students, but two and one-half percent of the men needed immediate corrective treatment. Less serious defects were present in 4.77 percent of the

## Faculty Would Aid Students Through Unemployment Fund

Many Staff Members Believe Undergraduate Needs Warrant Using Large Share of Relief Fund for Loans Here

Student needs cry out for help through loans more than ever this year and faculty sentiment swings toward devoting money from the unemployment relief fund to aid the student here.

"More than forty students have been to me during the last week to seek loans so that they may stay in college," Dean of Men Arthur E. Warnock said. "Many more men than ever before are in hard straits this semester."

"By helping students stay in college this year we can do much toward preventing more unemployment pressure in their home towns throughout the State. To let them go away without help would only be creating more

## FIRST YEAR DANCE SET FOR THURSDAY

Freshmen Will Hold Exclusive Function—Women Given Late Permission

Freshmen will be accorded their only exclusive first-year social function when they hold their annual dance in the Armory from 9 to 12 o'clock Thursday night.

Dunks and black ties must be worn until the wearer has entered the Armory, according to Harry A. Bauder '33, class organizer. First-year men will be permitted to escort girls home after the dance, but will not be allowed to accompany them to it, Bauder said.

Upperclassmen barred Women students who attend the dance will be given special permission to remain out until 1 o'clock. In keeping with the spirit of the affair, cutting will be encouraged in order that men and women first-year students may become better acquainted.

The Varsity Ten, student orchestra, has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion. All expenses for the dance will be paid from the class treasury, Bauder said.

Upperclassmen will be barred from the affair. As dunks and black ties will be the only means of identifying first-year men, only those attired as freshmen will be admitted.

## SENIOR BALL HEAD OFFERS PRIZES IN POSTER CONTEST

Complimentary tickets to Senior Ball will be given for the two best posters advertising Senior Ball which will be held on January 15 in Recreation hall.

All posters are to be submitted to Robert O. Shepard at the Alpha Chi Rho house before 8 o'clock Wednesday, January 6, according to Basil C. Clark, chairman of the Ball committee.

## DEPARTMENT ARRANGES GERMAN SONG PROGRAM

Chorus of Students Will Sing Old Christmas Carols, Tonight

German Christmas carols will be featured in the annual program sponsored by the department of German, to be presented in Schwab auditorium at 6:20 o'clock tonight. The carols will be sung by a chorus composed of students in German classes.

Organ music by Donald A. Shelley '32, a cello solo by Walter U. Gaiska, and a reading in German by Prof. George J. Wurfl is also included on the program, which will cover approximately forty minutes.

## TO GIVE TALK ON EDUCATION

Dean Will Grant Chambers, director of the School of Education, will address a joint meeting of the five educational fraternities represented in Pennsylvania on December 29, in Pittsburgh. His topic will be "Liberty, equality, and fraternity in education."

## \$2,775 SUBSCRIBED TO UNEMPLOYMENT FUND BY FACULTY

Schools, Departments Approve Appeal—Committee Asks Immediate Report

CONTRIBUTORS SPECIFY WHERE MONEY WILL GO

Student, Local, County, State, Special Cases Included In Reliefs Listed

The Penn State Unemployment fund reached a total of \$2,775 yesterday noon with 112 cards turned in from faculty members, William G. Munroff, college treasurer and chairman of the collection committee, has announced.

All schools and departments of the college held meetings last week and approved of appeal except one school which meets this week. Cards were distributed at the meetings. The committee urges that the cards be turned in as soon as possible so that distribution can be arranged immediately. The appeal ends Saturday.

Faculty members may have their subscriptions to the fund directed to any situation of distress which they deem by so indicating on their subscription cards, Dean Edward Steidle, chairman of the committee of the fund, announced.

In the Faculty Bulletin which is distributed today faculty members are asked to indicate on their cards into which of the categories they wish their funds to go. The suggested list is: (1) Discretion of the committee, (2) Student relief, (3) Specific cases of need, (4) Local relief, (5) County relief, (6) State relief.

## COLLEGE JANITOR COMMITS SUICIDE

David H. Ewing, 18 Years in Service, Takes Life by Hanging Self Yesterday Morning

David H. Ewing, janitor in the electrical engineering department for the past eighteen years, took his life by hanging shortly after 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning in the electrical laboratories. He was fifty-four years old.

The body was discovered by Bruce M. Stover, instructor in electrical engineering, an hour and a half later. Examination by a physician disclosed that death had been almost instantaneous.

Mr. Ewing had reported to work at 7 o'clock and had been engaged at his duties up until the time of his death. An investigation revealed that no one had spoken to him after he arrived at the laboratory.

A motive for the suicide has not been discovered, although it is said that Mr. Ewing had not been in good physical condition. He is survived by his wife, whose residence is at 135 Fraser street. He was a member of the I O O F and of the Alpha Fire company.

## COLLEGE DISPENSARY TREATS 1,803 STUDENTS THIS SEMESTER

A total of 1,803 cases were treated at the College dispensary from the beginning of the semester to December 1, records show. Men required treatment 4,155 times, and 618 women students were given medical aid.

More cases were treated in October than any other month. Treatments during that month numbered 2,588, while only 55 were treated in September and 1,674 in November.



PROF. JOHN H. FRIZZELL