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95 Students To Graduate At Mid-Term

Dr. Clyde King, Author, Teacher, To Give Main Address.

Seniors Will Complete Examinations Tuesday

Dr. Clyde L. King, professor of political science, at the University of Pennsylvania, will be the main speaker at the twenty-second annual mid-year commencement exercises which will be held in the Schwab auditorium on Friday night, February 1 at 7 o'clock.

Dr. King has taught economics and political science since 1908. He is a graduate of the Kansas State Normal school. He was awarded his Master's degree at the University of Michigan, and his Doctorate at the University of Pennsylvania.

During his career he has held several important positions in the State government. He was chairman of the State Unemployment committee in 1930-31. He has also served as Secretary of Revenue, and Chairman of the Public Service commission. He is the author of numerous books on municipal utilities, living costs in cities, and community civics. He has been a professor at the University of Pennsylvania since 1920.

88 Bachelor Degrees Faculty members have been instructed to give the seniors, who are planning to be graduated, their examinations early so that their final grades can be in by Wednesday. The final day on which examinations can be taken by seniors has been set at Tuesday.

It is expected that approximately eighty-eight seniors will receive their Bachelor's degree at the exercises. Those of the Liberal Arts School who will probably receive awards are: Franklin J. Brutzman, John A. Clark III, Mary C. Cole, John V. Feeney, John E. Fletcher, Homer E. Gaunt, Jane M. Jones, Myra Elizabeth Knouse, Julius Krebs, Frank S. Lucette, Paul E. McCormick, John H. MacLuskie, Richard S. Moffitt, Leslie A. Seaman, and Stephen Shwankto.

Education Degrees Listed Other arts and letters seniors are Frank Trigiani, Isadore Wablosky, and Elizabeth L. Warner. Seniors in commerce and finance are John W. Cubbon, Albert E. Diem, Charles R. Dietrich Jr., Lee V. Pfeffer, and Robert W. Wilson. Journalists are Clyde D. Bloom, Leonard A. Cimbal, Robert H. Shoemaker, and E. Marion Tomlinson.

Those who will receive B. A. degrees from the School of Education are Patricia L. Bastone, Paul E. Beadling, Benjamin S. Bloom, Charles F. Coates, Helen A. Gonsiorowski, Roy E. Gouker, Frances V. Laubach, Harry W. Reese, and Alice S. Rinehart.

Those to receive the B. S. degree from the school are Mary E. Blair, Agnes S. Brumbaugh, Robert N. Gobrecht, Isaac B. Knoll, Robert F. Lawrence, John H. Lutchter, Sarah A. McKee, Ruth E. Miller, Thomas R. Richards, Jacob A. Richman, Edith L. Rutter, Freeda E. Schmidt, Kathryn B. Smith, Martha H. Storer, John A. Tima, Frances A. Wickersham, Wesley P. Winter and Charles F. Zinn.

Agriculture Awards Students in the School of Agriculture who will receive B. S. awards are Edwin K. Bonner, Rosario Finocchiaro, William V. Godshall, Lloyd F. Hughes, Frederick J. Jobst, Howard W. Ott, and Paul Sacco. Only two seniors in the School of Chemistry and Physics will receive degrees. They are Roy S. Helm and Malcolm M. McNett. The four who hope to be graduated from the School of Mineral Industries are Earl W. Baird, Robert H. Caughey, Richard E. Robison, and John M. Shaffer.

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Madsen Wins Collegian Word Spelling Contest

Howard G. Madsen '35 won the COLLEGIAN misspelled word contest it was announced yesterday. He will be awarded the first prize consisting of four theatre tickets. The second prize of two theatre tickets was awarded to Perry E. Walper '37.

Third prizes of one ticket each were won by Mrs. M. G. Fowler, Frederick L. Hoffman '37, and Ignatius J. Spurio '35. There were over 200 entrants in the contest. The prizes will be awarded to the winners when they call at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

13 Gain Appointments To Dance Committee

Thirteen sophomores were appointed to Soph Hop committee by Roy S. Schuyler, president of the class, last night to assist Alvin W. Newmeyer, chairman. They are George M. Hacker, Howard W. Heller, J. Lloyd Larkins, and Jackson D. Leonard.

Others are William W. McEwan, Robert K. McQuiston Jr., Raymond Y. Shetline, Richard M. Smith, Albert F. Standish, James T. Stott, Walter S. Wiggins, David W. Wright, and David Yellin.

Players To Give Comedy Tonight

'Counsellor-at-Law' Will Feature Brightman '36, Swart '38 In Lead Roles.

With C. K. Lucas Brightman '36 and Virginia Swart '38 in the title roles, the Penn State Players will present Elmer Rice's comedy, "Counsellor-at-Law," in Schwab auditorium tonight at 8:15 o'clock. The production is under the direction of Frank S. Neubaum, of the department of English composition.

Brightman is cast as George Simon, eminent criminal lawyer, while Miss Swart takes the role of his secretary, Mari Yanofsky '35, in the other feminine lead of the play, takes the part of Simon's wife.

Cast Named

Al G. Schwadron '38 appears as Simon's partner; John S. Turner '38, as his right-hand man; John E. Binns '36 as a politician; Joseph W. Bernstein '38 as a young office assistant; and Ruth A. Goodman '37 portrays Bessie, the switchboard operator. Character parts will be taken by Theresa C. Mravitz '36, Betty M. Lenzen '36, Herbert L. Manning '36, and Clayton R. Page '34. In the other roles are Donald H. Dickson '38, Wayne W. Bloskley '38, David O. Johnson '38, Beatrice Confor '37, Anna D. Gleason '36, Isidor Levin '38, William L. Orris '38, Charles M. Robbins '38, John R. Sholly '38, Alma J. Shenk '37, and Grace M. Porter '36.

Mitzi-Jane Kennedy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ewing Kennedy, and Jackie Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lee, will appear as the children of Mrs. Simon by an earlier marriage. Tickets for the entertainment will be on sale at the treasurer's office until closing time today.

7 Students Withdraw From College Recently

Seven students have withdrawn from college during the past month. Ethyl M. Cross '36 dropped out on January 5, Thomas Crum '37 withdrew on the same day, and John P. Doerr '37, withdrew at the beginning of the Christmas holiday.

Other students were Glenn A. Rohn '38, January 7; Howard E. Thompson '38, January 9; and Ethyl Youkers '37, January 2. Of the above students, two withdrew on account of lack of finances, one on account of an automobile accident, one at the request of his father, and one to transfer to another institution.

2,000 Students Here Vote in National College Peace Poll

More than 2,000 ballots have been returned from Penn State in the College peace poll being conducted by the Association of College Editors and the Literary Digest among 325,000 students in 118 American colleges.

In this first incomplete report which covers approximately 30,000 ballots from thirty colleges, Penn State voted with the majority of colleges on all questions except that of entry into the League of Nations.

Majorities in all thirty colleges voted: That the United States could stay out of another great war; that they would fight if this country were invaded; that they could not fight in the invasion of the borders of another country; that the government should control armament and munitions industries; and that there should be universal conscription of capital and labor in time of war.

League Question Close On entry into the League, sixteen colleges reported favorably; fourteen opposing it. In the East, only Penn State, Pennsylvania, Syracuse, Lehigh, and George Washington opposed entry into the League. Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, De Pauw, and Chicago were the only colleges in the Middle West that voted for entry into the League.

This question is, to date, the most controversial—judging from the closeness of the vote. A total of 15-

Bissey, Chambers Question Value of Impending Exams

Registrar Hoffman Says Comprehensive Tests In Lower Division May Replace Finals.

With final examinations "just around the corner," like love in the popular song, College Scheduling Officer Cyrus V. D. Bissey, College Registrar William S. Hoffman, and Dean Will G. Chambers, of the School of Education, were asked by a COLLEGIAN reporter to give their opinions of the value of final examinations to the student.

Bissey Opposes Finals "By setting up a schedule of examinations and emphasizing their value you put up a mental hazard from which many good students suffer," Mr. Bissey said. "I think we should debunk the great value that has been put on the glorified, two-hour period of an examination." The two things which are unfortunate in final examinations, Mr. Bissey said, are that they place too great an emphasis on a final spurt at the end of a course and as a result may put a strong temptation to cheat in

the way of the student since the examinations are given under stress to large groups.

Avoiding Conflicts Mr. Bissey suggested two ways in which conflicts in the present schedule may be avoided. The first of these would set a definite time during examination week when all classes meeting at same hours during the semester would take exams. For example, all classes meeting Tuesday and Friday at 8 o'clock and Wednesday at 1 o'clock might have their finals at 1 o'clock the first day of examination week.

The second is to use the last week of the semester for finals as is done now in some courses. However, Mr. Bissey said that it is not fair for some students to have examinations before examination week and others at the regular time.

Senate Ruling Registrar Hoffman was a member of the Committee on Examinations which submitted a resolution to the College Senate accepted April 21, 1927, abolishing exemptions from final tests to students having high grades.

To Be or Not To Be "Exams are a salvation for as many as they are a damnation," Mr. Hoffman said. "The present trend is toward comprehensive tests on work over a period of time." At Chicago University two-day examinations are given to undergraduates.

He cited the present plan of the newly organized Lower Division that includes the Schools of Liberal Arts and Education. Students who are freshmen this year will take comprehensive examinations next year to determine their fitness to enter the Upper Division for the Junior and Senior years of specialized courses.

Mr. Hoffman said that it was possible that this plan will lead to elimination of final examinations for Lower Division students.

Houses To Draw Booths on Feb. 6

Non-Fraternity Group Will Have Space; Spadafora Completes Decorations Contract.

Fraternity booth drawings for Senior Ball will take place at the Student Union on February 6. Cecil C. Spadafora, chairman of the committee, has announced. There will also be a booth reserved this time for non-fraternity men who attend the dance.

Decorations for this ball will be done by the Brown decorating company, the contract having been signed the first part of this week. The orchestra will be placed in the same position as it was for Junior Prom last year, Spadafora declared.

In order that constants may be eligible for the poster contest sponsored by the committee, all specimens must be in the hands of Prof. Andrew W. Case, of the department of architecture, in Room 225, Engineering, F. sometime today.

Carries Two Soloists Irving Aaronson and His Fifteen Commanders, the band signed for Senior Ball on February 8, carries two vocalists. They are Lois Still and Skippy Carlstrom. The band has been featured at the Congress Hotel in Chicago where it has played on a coast-to-coast N. B. C. network.

The band has also played over radio stations WGN, Chicago; WLW, Cincinnati; and WBBM, Boston and Springfield. The group has made two trips to Europe and has toured this country six different times since it has become known. Offering a floor show program with the personnel of the band in the way of songs, dances, and comedy bits, the band provides something out of the ordinary in the way of dance arrangements. Spadafora explained in discussing the merits of the band chosen for the occasion.

'Collegian' To Suspend Issue Until February 8

Because of the advent of final examination week and the between-semester holiday, the COLLEGIAN will suspend publication until February 8, at which time the regular semi-weekly schedule will resume.

Subscribers who have not been receiving their issues regularly are requested to mail a card to the office, Room 312, Old Main, so that the files may be examined. Anyone who wishes a semester subscription to the COLLEGIAN should also mail a card to the office.

R.H. Smith Quits As Comptroller; To Leave Feb. 1

Resignation Accepted By College Board Of Trustees.

Staff Official Gives Ill Health As Reason

Raymond H. Smith, comptroller of the College for the last sixteen years, offered his resignation to the Board of Trustees of the College at their meeting in Harrisburg the first part of this week. The resignation was accepted and will take effect February 1, it was announced yesterday from the office of the President.

For the past few years Mr. Smith's health has been failing and his physician has advised him to give up his work for the present in order to recuperate. At the present time he has no definite plans as to where he will go or what he will do.

Graduated Here in 1905 Mr. Smith graduated from the College in 1905 as an electrical engineer. During the first year after his being graduated, he served on the engineering staff of the City of Pittsburgh. In 1906 and 1907 he held positions with engineering companies in that city.

Coming here in 1911 as secretary of the Alumni association and Graduate Manager of Athletics, Mr. Smith has served the College until the present. In 1918 he was elected to the position from which he has just resigned.

Successor Unknown "As yet, I have no definite plans," Mr. Smith declared in an interview. "My main concern now is to regain my health." When asked if he intended to return to the College as a member of its administrative staff following his recuperation, he said, "I have no idea what I shall do yet."

Until the administration can investigate credentials of possible successors to Mr. Smith's position, the duties of the Comptroller will pass through the President's office. The new comptroller will not be named for some time to come, President Helze declared today.

Route To Lewistown Will Close on Monday

Traffic on the Lakes-to-Sea highway, U. S. No. 322, will be detoured between Lewistown and State College for a period of approximately two months beginning next Monday, the State Highway Department has announced.

The detour was originally scheduled to be established last Monday, but due to the heavy volume of traffic incident to the State Farm Show, Secretary of Highways Warren S. Van Dyke announced a postponement of one week.

Heavy filling operations on a construction project in the Seven Mountains, south of Pottery Mills, will block the present highway at the point it is joined by the relocated section. Through traffic bound for points beyond State College will be diverted at Lewistown and routed over the William Penn highway to Water street and thence via Route 350 to Philipsburg, where Route 322 will be rejoined.

Honorary Will Pledge

Theta Sigma Phi, women's honorary journalism fraternity, will hold pledging on February 17, it has been announced. Efforts are being made to secure Miss Dorothy Reed, of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, as the speaker for the occasion.

Contract 'Sharks' Challenged To Meet in Bridge Olympics

Impending finals will be no detriment to that category of "brain trusters" who inhabit every fraternity and rooming house in the form of bridge "sharks" when the fourth World Bridge Olympic gets under way next Friday.

More than 200,000 players, representing fifty different countries, will start the contest simultaneously at 8:01 o'clock. The State College counterpart of this vast army will assemble at the Nittany Lion Inn to test the players' knowledge and skill in reaching the par result for each of the sixteen prepared hands.

None of the sixteen is a trick hand and contains no intricate problem nor freak distributions. Selected by the great master players of the country, each hand is of the type dealt in the ordinary course of an evening of bridge.

N.Y. Orchestra Will Appear On Artists' Course May 6

Comptroller Resigns



RAYMOND H. SMITH

Goodwill Seminar Purpose Outlined

Benjamin Explains Reason For Assembling of 3 Groups Here Feb. 8, 9, 10.

When interviewed as to the purpose of the all-college Goodwill Seminar, scheduled for February 8, 9, and 10, Lester M. Benjamin '37, chairman of the conference, outlined the reasons prompting joint sessions by Jews, Catholics, and Protestants here.

"It is not because a proper relationship between the three faiths present on the campus is lacking, but rather that a furthering of this such harmony is urged that such a seminar is being held here. Goodwill Seminars are nothing new; all progressive campuses and cities are conducting similar sessions," Benjamin added.

"We have been particularly careful in electing broadminded representation from each faith to sit in at our closed sessions. The round table discussion groups will be conducted solely by students, despite the fact that three prominent speakers will attend the conference," the chairman continued.

Representation by Percentage

Student representation attending the sessions will be selected on a percentage basis, with fifteen, twenty-five, and sixty allowed for the Jewish, Roman Catholic, and Protestant faiths respectively. With the attendance proportionate to the actual numbers enrolled on the campus at present, it is thought that a better and more accurate discussion will ensue.

At the open forum in the auditorium at 7 o'clock Friday night, which will be addressed by Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron, Dr. Bernard C. Clausen, and a third speaker not yet selected, a public discussion of the question "What Makes for Prejudice and Misunderstanding Among Members of Religious Groups," will be held. The public meeting will end at 8:45 o'clock in order that those wishing to attend Senior Ball may do so.

Short Course Planned

The seventh herdsman's short course, one of the specialized intensive courses offered during the year, will be given here March 4-9. The course is designed primarily for herdsman showing instruction and practice in showing livestock. Both dairy and beef herders will study feeding, diseases, breeding, and farm butchering.

Booked To Fill Vacancy Left by Withdrawal Of Negro Play.

Nicolai Sokoloff Leads Recently Formed Group

The New York Orchestra under the direction of Nikolai Sokoloff, has been booked for May 6 to fill the vacancy in the 1934-35 Artists' Course made when "Green Pastures" cancelled the performance scheduled here for February 18.

This date was announced late yesterday afternoon by Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, chairman of the executive committee of the Course, after he received a telegram from a division of the Columbia Broadcasting Company which books the orchestra. Dr. Marquardt estimates that the engagement of the orchestra will cost approximately \$250 more than would have been paid for "Green Pastures."

Few Tickets Returned "I wish to express the appreciation of the committee to the students and faculty for realizing that the Course is not going to suffer by this substitution," Dr. Marquardt said. "Only two out of the 1,250 or more tickets sold have been returned and these were presented for refund the morning after the announcement at the Viennese Choir Boys concert."

The next number of the Artists' Course will be the Budapest String Quartet which will appear here on Thursday, March 7. Tickets for the remainder of the series are on sale at the Athletic office, Old Main.

Orchestra Newly Formed

The New York Orchestra of sixty musicians was formed primarily for the purpose of playing on the road and dedicates its services to pioneer work in new territory. In this respect it is unlike the three major orchestras of the east—the New York Philharmonic Symphony, the Philadelphia and the Boston Symphony, which seldom leave their respective cities.

Nikolai Sokoloff, internationally famous conductor, has made appearances in England, Russia and with the leading symphony orchestras of the United States. He was conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra for fifteen years, but has directed the New York Orchestra for the past two years.

Popular at Colleges

The orchestra has given six concerts in Carnegie Hall, New York City, and played a series of twelve outdoor concerts last summer at Music Hill, Weston, Conn. After playing at the Musical Festival at Cornell University last spring, the orchestra was booked for concerts this fall at Smith College, and Wellesley College.

The committee on the Artists' Course has received a number of sample programs which the orchestra has presented at concerts and will use these as a basis from which to select the program which the orchestra will give here. Suggestions for selections may be addressed to Dr. Marquardt.

Board Chooses Spring Elections Committee

John A. Brutzman '35 was appointed chairman of the elections committee for spring class elections, at a Student Board meeting Monday. Ten other members were named to the committee at the same time.

Additional members, all seniors, include John E. Fletcher, George W. Harvey, John H. K. Houck, Paul K. Hirsch, A. Kenneth Maier, Albert P. Mikelonis, Harry N. Sigel, John M. Stocker, James W. Townsend, and Alan R. Warehime. The committee's first duties will be to set an election date and draw up a code.

No action was taken on paying the bill for repaving College Avenue for damage caused by the bonfire during the celebration at Alumni Homecoming week-end last fall, when it was found that estimates of the damage by Student Board and the borough differed considerably.

Prof. Julius E. Kauffuss, of the department of civil engineering, made the estimate of the damage at the request of the Board. Richard A. Sigel '35 was instructed to meet with borough officials and attempt to reach a compromise agreement before the next meeting.

Underwood Given \$120

Annis Underwood '38, graduate of State College high school last year, has been awarded the McAllister scholarship at the College, it was announced recently. Five of the scholarships, which provide for \$120 for the freshman year, are awarded annually, one to each of the five counties which have the highest ratio of students at the College to the population of the county.