

"It's a Pleasure"

An Editorial

EARLY this fall I got a "tip" on a big story. Important names were involved and it seemed likely that the nebulous agency referred to as "The Administration" would want to cover it up.

I had read how reporters got stories out of people by bluffing and other cute little tricks. I decided to try.

So I went to see the President.

It was the first time that I had interviewed him and I was prepared for anything—except what actually happened.

"I'm glad you came to see me," he said when I hinted about the story.

"This is a serious matter and I feel you should know about it. Here is the situation—" And for an hour he talked, telling what had happened, answering questions, and giving me his own opinion.

"That's how things stand," he said. "It is up to you to decide what you want to do about it."

There may be other college presidents who take that attitude toward the students, but I doubt if they are very common.

That is why it is a pleasure and not a duty to write an editorial on the tenth anniversary of Dr. Hetzel's presidency at Penn State.

It was just ten years ago today that Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel assumed his duties here. The College trustees had just spent fifteen months looking for a president. It was a tough job and they needed a good man. They found him.

During his stay here the enrollment has increased by nearly fifty per

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Students To Gather for Annual Christmas Carol Sing Thursday

Students, faculty members, and townspeople are invited to join in the program of the annual Christmas carol sing, sponsored by the P.S.C.A. in co-operation with the department of music, Thursday at 9 o'clock.

A varied program, including carols by the College choir, and group singing has been planned, according to James M. Apple '37 in charge of the program. For the first time on this occasion, music from the new pipe organ will be heard from Schwab auditorium through the amplifying system.

Prof. William S. Dye, of the department of English literature, will read a short Christmas selection. After the concluding song, echo effects played on trumpets will be heard

Bus Line Plans Holiday Schedule

Company Expects New System To Eliminate Confusion In Xmas Exodus

Designed to lessen the confusion resulting from the annual exodus of students and faculty members from the College at Christmas vacation, the Pennsylvania Greyhound Lines, operating buses through here, yesterday announced a system of special bus reservations for this Saturday.

All persons planning to use the Greyhound system on that day are requested to purchase their tickets any time before 8 o'clock Friday night at the Greyhound agency, State College Hotel. With the ticket, the purchaser will be assigned a reserved seat on a bus going to his destination.

Through the co-operation of College authorities, the parking lot across from the Education building (old Beta house) will be used as a depot Saturday. At the parking lot, special buses will be lined up bound for Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, New York, Harrisburg, Altoona, Pittsburg, Sunbury, Philadelphia, Tyone, Johnstown, York, Greensburg, and intermediate points.

Reserved seats will be able to go directly to the seat on the bus. All buses will leave here at 12:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The special buses will not observe in all cases the usual routings but will take shortest possible routes to their destinations. This is expected to cut down running time considerably.

The Greyhound management cannot guarantee seats to those not holding reserved tickets, the announcement reads. Co-operation of students is requested in buying tickets before 8 o'clock Friday evening in order that the Greyhound management will know how many buses to dispatch here.

Named Co-Chairman

Max P. Reeder will serve as co-chairman with Charles J. Cherundolo on the Senior Ball dance committee. Mary E. Taylor was named on the Junior Prom dance committee. Both names were unintentionally omitted from last week's COLLEGIAN story.

from the Home Economics and Main Engineering buildings. Printed leaflets with the verses of the carols will be distributed. The department of grounds and buildings will supply appropriate trimmings for the front of Old Main and lights to facilitate reading of the song sheets.

Mac Hall To Hold Christmas Party

Ziegler, Cohen Chosen To Lead Royal Court at Traditional Dinner Thursday

The traditional Mac Hall Christmas dinner will be held Thursday night at 6 o'clock. Gene C. Ziegler '37, president of the W. S. G. A., will lead the royal court as Lord Mac Allister with Bertha M. Cohen, senior senator on W. S. G. A., who will appear as Lady Mac Allister.

Elizabeth R. Oberlin and Margaret R. Giffen will attend the senior Lord and Lady MacAllister, Clara E. Jones and Amy F. McClelland will be junior Lord and Lady, Doris Blakemore and Italia DeAngelo as sophomore Lord and Lady and Vivian D. Harper and Peggy E. Jones will represent the freshman class.

Other members of the honored group include Margaret B. Bratton '37 as poet, Reva M. Lincoln '37, as cardinal and Pearl M. Carroll '39 as the page. Mary H. O'Connor '40 and Cicely and Margaret De Silver '40, will be the heralds. All guests are expected to appear in formal dress.

Alumni Dances

Penn State Alumni Club of Lancaster will hold their annual Christmas ball in the New Brunswick hotel on Tuesday night, December 29, at 9 o'clock. Ted Brownagle's orchestra will play. The price is \$2.50 per couple.

The second annual Penn State Nite of Erie County for Penn State students and alumni will take place in the Masonic Grill room, Erie, on December 26 from 9:30 to 1:30 o'clock. Herbie Johnson's Band will play. The price is \$1.50.

The annual Holiday Dances of the Penn State Club of Reading will be held at the Reading Country Club on Monday, December 28 from 10:00 p. m. to 3:00 a. m. with supper being served at midnight. The price is \$4.00 for alumni and friends, and \$3.00 for students. The White Diamonds will feature the rhythms.

Bill Bottorf's band will play at the Bradford County Penn State Alumni Dance to be held in the Community Hall, Towanda, on December 28. Tickets can be obtained from John A. Holmes of 237 W. Beaver avenue, State College.

Prof. Davey Returns

Prof. Wheeler P. Davey, of the Physics-Chemistry School, has returned from a speaking tour that carried him into four states and before audiences of ten universities.

Ends 10th Year Here



DR. RALPH D. HETZEL

Hetzel Ends 10th Year of Service

President Plays Important Role In Growth of College; 5 Buildings Erected

Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, tenth president of the College, will celebrate his tenth anniversary of leadership here today. He has guided the College through one of its periods of greatest growth, both physical and intellectual.

During the years he has spent here the College has witnessed the erection of the Main Engineering building, North Liberal Arts building, the Dairy building, Home Economics building, Recreation Hall, and the reconstruction of Old Main.

Succeeded Dr. Thomas President Hetzel succeeded Dr. John M. Thomas and accepted the trustees' invitation to become President on September 24, 1926; he began active service on December 15, 1926.

Dr. Hetzel came to the campus from the University of New Hampshire, where he had served as President for nine years.

Throughout his service here, President Hetzel has played an active role in the Association of Land-Grant Universities and Colleges, being a member of the Executive Board.

Hospital Base Is Relief Group Aim

Bishop Robert L. Paddock Heads National Organization For Spanish Relief

"The Medical Bureau of the American Friends of Spanish Democracy asks your aid in its campaign to raise \$50,000 for a complete field hospital base in Spain," stated Roer Chase, executive secretary, of the national organization which is seeking to alleviate the horrible distress affecting civilians in Spain's war.

Basing its campaign upon this worthy and humane plea, the State College Spanish Relief Committee has been organized on this campus in the best tradition of America's great record of assistance in major disasters all over the world.

Organizations which added their names to the sponsoring committee at the third meeting of the local group include the local branch of the American Association of University Women, and several of the local church groups.

Prominent National Committeemen National officers of the American Friends of Spanish Democracy, which organization is a voluntary association whose members serve without any remuneration, are Bishop Robert L. Paddock, chairman; John Dewey, vice-chairman; Samuel K. Innan, chairman of executive committee; Guy E. Shiplet, vice-chairman of executive committee; and W. W. Norton, treasurer.

In allying themselves with this national organization the State College Spanish Relief Committee was influenced by the number of outstanding persons in various professions and secular walks of life which make up its committee. Among those persons on the national committee of American Friends of Spanish Democracy are Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, Rev. William Spofford, Stephen Vincent Benet, Herschel Brickell, Heywood Brown, Mrs. W. Russell Bowie, Prof. Morris Cohen, Dr. Edward T. Devine and Sherwood Eddy.

Reede Compares Plight in Spain With That of Armenia in 1917-19

Estimating that more than half a million of the Spanish civilian population have been rendered homeless and without food or medical supplies in the Madrid area alone, Prof. Arthur H. Reede of the department of economics, stated in an interview yesterday that the plight of the Spanish people in the war zone can be compared to that of the Armenians in 1917 and 1919.

"I would say that their suffering has been rendered more acute by the fact that, before the outbreak of the revolution, a large percentage of the population was almost destitute. Now, with their homes shot away, thousands of civilians have no resources whatsoever," Reede declared.

Comparing the civilian crisis with that of Belgium during the World War, Reede said that, although the present destruction is smaller scale, the warfare has become more devastating by the use of more advanced and destructive implements than those used in 1914. It is not unlikely, he said, that when a statistical estimate has been made of the actual devastation, losses in men and property will reach far greater proportions than we can estimate now on the basis of newspaper reports.

An indication of the actual suffering, he pointed out, can be seen in the unensured New York Times account, by a staff correspondent who had left Madrid during the siege, which reads

Debaters Leave For South Today

Benjamin, Taylor Will Present Negative Side on Tour Including 3 Meets

Representing Penn State in the annual southern tour of the men's debate team, Lester M. Benjamin '37 and Edwin C. Taylor '38, accompanied by Prof. Harold P. Zelko, assistant coach of the team, will leave today for Washington, D. C., where they will debate in a preliminary session with members of the debate team of the American University.

Throughout their tour, Benjamin and Taylor will support the negative side of the question: Should Congress be empowered to fix minimum wages and maximum hours in industry.

Freshmen To Open Session Arriving at Williamsburg, Va., on Thursday evening, December 17, the team will debate at William and Mary College. The final session of the tour will be held with debaters from the University of Richmond at Richmond, Va. Radio station WRVA will broadcast this debate on Friday, December 18.

Freshmen debaters will open their session in a tournament with Bucknell Junior College at Wilkes-Barre, David E. Cohen and Thomas D. Conway have been selected to make the trip accompanied by Ralph N. DeCamp '37 who will act as manager. The team will defend the affirmative side of the resolution.

Players Name Winners

Winners in the contest to identify the hands of the players in "Post Road" were Elmer Getter '38, and Morris L. Bass '40 who tied for first prize, each receiving eight tickets, two to each one of the four shows; Irma Schlow who won third prize received six tickets, two to any three shows; and A. Montgomery of Bellefonte, who won fourth prize received four tickets, two to any two shows.

'H.M.S. Pinafore' Sails Into Port Jan. 15 With Glee-Thespian Crew

What, in the parlance of co-director J. Ewing Kennedy, "promises to be terrific" in the Glee-Thespian production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore" on January 15 is the work of the men's ensemble.

Kennedy, who with Prof. Richard W. Grant, head of the department of music, will direct the show, claims that the work of the ensemble will compare with that of any Gilbert and Sullivan production that has been staged, including the work of the D'Oyley Carte Opera Company of England, the original group that featured Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

Many leading players in the cast and the stage managers will go to New York this vacation to see the D'Oyley Carte Company present the "Pinafore" and to observe the methods used.

A satire on naval conditions, the "Pinafore" has a large number of leading characters. James P. Unangst '38 will portray the part of Dick Deadeye, "the three-cornered seaman who doesn't like anybody or any-

thing." Other comedy parts are taken by C. Edward Leigh '38, the First Lord of the Admiralty who never had been on a boat before, and Joseph K. Cook '38, the Boatswain.

The Captain's part will be taken by M. Donald Dixon '37. His character daughter, Bess Edolbute '38, will play one of the romantic leads, with Frederick H. Serff '38, as Rafe Rackstraw, an ordinary seaman, playing opposite.

Margaret R. Giffen '37 will play the part of Buttercup, the woman who sells novelties to the crew. Elaborate Costuming Complete costumes for the opera will be furnished by the Van Horn Company of Philadelphia. J. Lloyd Larkins '37 is in charge of costuming, John E. Thompson '37 is the stage manager, and George A. Downs '37 and Jack M. Raimor '37 will be in charge of the stage and set.

Prof. Hummel Fishburn, of the department of music, will direct a pit orchestra. Ticket sales will be in charge of Charles C. Conklin '38.

Indicating that U. S. industry has not been idle, Reede said that exports of tractors, trucks and other necessities of war have doubled to Catalonia and Portugal, while in other parts of the world, these exports have decreased in view of the seasonal slump.

"In view of these shipments of American industry which ultimately are used for destructive purposes, the American people may be considered under a moral obligation to send aid to the civilians of Spain, who are the ultimate victims," Reede said.

College Releases '37-'38 Calendar

Thanksgiving Vacation Limited To 1 Day; Other Recesses Remain Unchanged

Following the custom started this year with the Christmas recess beginning on a Saturday and extending through until Monday, the 1937-'38 calendar lists the holiday from December 18 until January 3. Easter vacation will be from April 13 to April 20.

Freshman week will begin September 9. Registration for the three upper classes will be held September 13 and 14, with regular classes scheduled to start September 15.

The annual Alumni Homecoming day will be held October 9. The first semester will end January 29, the day after the mid-year Commencement exercises.

Registration for second semester will be on January 31 and February 1. The second semester will begin February 2. The semester will end June 3, with election of trustees scheduled for the same day. Alumni day will be on June 4, with June 5 Baccalaureate day, and June 6 Commencement and class day.

Both Robert Smith and Theodore E. Smith '38, who pleaded guilty last Monday to robbing about a dozen fraternities, will probably appear before Judge Fleming some time this week.

Borough Council Passes New Ruling on Banners

As the result of action taken by the borough council at its meeting last week it will now be necessary for any organization wishing to advertise by means of outdoor signs and banners on or over thorough property to apply for special permission to do so.

Bell Elects 7 to Staff

The associate editorial board of the "Bell" was chosen at a staff meeting on Sunday night.

Elected from the class of '40 were Gordon K. Zern and Thomas L. Bolster. The successful candidates from the class of '39 were David Hless and David U. Jackson. From the class of '38 were elected M. Constance Gleet, Irma Ganz, and John W. Igoe. Elected to the position of secretaries were Helen R. Thompson '38, and Carolyn L. McConnell '39.

Penn State Considered Site for 1937 National Wrestling Tournament

To Enforce \$5 Fine For Vacation Cutting

Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock said today that the \$5 fine for missing class within twenty-four hours of vacation would be in force for the vacation that begins Saturday. It will merely mean the enforcement of the regular vacation rule, he said.

Christmas vacation will officially begin at 11:50 o'clock Saturday and will terminate on Monday, January 4, at 1:10 o'clock. Students absent from class within twenty-four hours of either date will be subject to the fine and instructors will be told to refuse them admittance to class until paid, Warnock said.

P. S. Club Slates Dance for Jan. 8

Warnock Will Speak at Yuletide Banquet in Sandwich Shop Tomorrow at 6

The College social program will get back into full swing soon after the Christmas recess, with a New Year's Snowball Dance, sponsored by the Penn State Club in Recreation Hall, slated for Friday night, January 8. Bill Bottorf will supply the music for dancing, which will continue from 9 to 12 o'clock.

The Varsity Quartet will provide entertainment during intermission. Robert W. Werts '38 is chairman of the committee in charge of the affair. He is being assisted by Jack E. Platt '37, Arthur M. Longacre '39, and Joseph F. Cohan '38. The admission price has been set at thirty-seven and one-half cents per person, or seventy-five cents per couple.

Meanwhile, arrangements were completed for the Club's Christmas Banquet in the Old Main Sandwich Shop tomorrow night at 6 o'clock. Dr. Elwood C. Davis, of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, will act as toastmaster.

Dean of Men Arthur R. Warnock will be the principal speaker. Morris B. Way '38, chairman of the committee, has announced that tickets at fifty cents per plate are still available at Student Union. Other members of the committee include H. Koebeling Knoch '38, William E. Krenmer '38, and Robert J. Wallace '38.

Blue and white Christmas greeting cards are now being sent to all members of the club, their parents, campus instructors, and all others who have aided the club in any way. Additional cards can be ordered at five cents each by calling Neil B. Walsh '38, chairman of the card committee. Floyd L. Pennell '38 and Raymond J. Koozer '40 are the other members on the committee.

Another Arrest Made In Drive On Thievery

In the drive to clear up fraternity robberies here, borough police authorities made their second arrest of the week Wednesday after members of the Alpha Gamma Rho reported the theft of a marked \$5.00 bill by one of their own members, Robert Smith, a graduate student.

Smith pleaded guilty at a hearing Saturday afternoon and is now being held at the county jail in Bellefonte. Smith denied being guilty of other thefts that have occurred in his house recently. In 1934, however, he was found guilty of larceny of \$16.00 and was placed on probation for eighteen months by Judge M. Ward Fleming.

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Administrative Board Accepts Tentative N.C.A.A. Offer

Meeting Dec. 27, 28 Will Decide Selection

The ninth annual National Collegiate wrestling tournament may be held here in March, according to Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics.

A letter from Dr. R. G. Clapp, of Nebraska, chairman of the National Collegiate Athletic Association wrestling rules committee to Penn State athletic officials, revealed that the National wrestling authorities were seriously considering State College as a possible site.

College officials, including Dr. Elwood C. Davis, Prof. Franklin L. Bentley and Mr. Fleming, all members of the administrative committee of the school of physical education and athletics, met yesterday afternoon and agreed to accept the offer if it is made. Final decision as to the tournament will be forthcoming from the N. C. A. A. meeting in New York City December 27 and 28.

Help Here in 1930

Penn State was host to this tournament in 1930, and it is believed that the success of this affair prompted officials to ask the College to sponsor the tourney for the second time.

Last year the tournament was held at Washington and Lee University, and the previous season at Lehigh. Coach Speidel is enthusiastic over the possibility of holding the event here. He stated that Penn State would be represented by a full team of eight grapplers. The tournament may be held on March 19 and 20, just prior to the Easter holidays and a week after the Eastern Intercollegiate tourney at Lehigh.

If Penn State is awarded the championship bouts, it will mark the eighth year in succession that the College has sponsored a national or eastern tournament. The Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association tournament has been held on the campus in 1929, 1931, 1932, 1935 and 1936; the Eastern Wrestling Tourney in 1934; the National Wrestling in 1930; and the National boxing in 1932.

Prexy Hetzel Holds True to State's Old Tradition

Shortly after President Hetzel had taken office in January, 1927, a committee of upperclassmen called on him and explained the old Penn State tradition of calling the College head by the formal title of "President," until he had won the regard and affection of the student body, then he would receive the students' approval for the usage of "Prexy."

Dr. Hetzel accepted the challenge for their loyalty and set to work to qualify. The semester sped busily by, the President had made occasional student contacts. One night in May a large delegation crowded around his home and summoned him to the porch. The cheerleaders called for the "Prexy" cheer as the students saluted their accepted leader.

Prexy Hetzel has often times stated on the campus and elsewhere that he has received few honors which touched his heart more deeply. Penn State alumni, students, and friends have felt that he has been their "prexy" ever since.

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