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## State Debaters Will Meet In 2nd Annual Convention Here on Friday, Saturday

### 17 Colleges Will Send Delegates; Frizzell To Give Talk

### Groups Will Discuss Social, Political Topics

Forensic Council will sponsor the second annual Pennsylvania State Debaters' convention on this campus on Friday and Saturday, according to Fred L. Young '38, president of Forensic Council and of the convention. Representatives from Albright, Allegheny, Bucknell, Dickinson, Gettysburg, Juniata, Lehigh, University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania College for Women, University of Pittsburgh, St. Francis, St. Joseph's, Seton Hill, Susquehanna, Temple, Westminster, and Western Maryland will join the Penn State debaters.

Committees to meet Delegates will first meet in committee and then in assembly, discuss, debate and draw up action policies on significant social, political, and economic problems. The convention opens at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning with an address by Prof. John H. Frizzell, of the division of speech. Following this, committee meetings will be held in Old Main. After a luncheon at 1 o'clock, delegates will again hold committee meetings.

The first open session will be a parliamentary session in the Home Economics auditorium at 8 o'clock Friday night when the question of whether or not college students should refuse to participate in war will be discussed.

At 9 o'clock Saturday morning, the discussion will center about the question of minimum wage and maximum hour regulation, while at 11 o'clock the debaters will consider marriage for college graduates before the age of 25. These sessions, open to the public, will also be held in the Home Economics auditorium.

Edwin K. Taylor '39 is chairman of the committee in charge of the marriage question while chairman for the other sessions are from Bucknell University and Allegheny College. J. Edwin Matz '38 is secretary of the convention and Prof. Joseph F. O'Brien, of the division of speech, will act as parliamentarian.

## Players To Give All-Expense Trip

### Door Prize at 'Footlight Frolic' March 20; Includes Fare, Gay Time in N. Y.

An all-expense trip to New York for two people will be given by the Penn State Players at their "Footlight Frolic" which will be held in Recreation hall Saturday, March 20, from 9 until 12 o'clock.

Included on the trip will be the train fare both ways, room and board at one of the leading hotels, tickets to two of the headline shows on Broadway, an evening at the French Casino, a tour of the National Broadcasting company, and a day in Radio City.

If the winners, who will be chosen at the dance intermission from checks given at the door, do not desire the New York trip, they will be given \$50 in cash.

The Harrisonians, a 16-piece orchestra, will furnish the music for the dance, which is to be held annually. Last summer, the Harrisonians played at the West End Casino at the Thousand Islands, where they shared the engagement with Fletcher Henderson.

## Spring IM Managers Announced by Board

The names of the managers for spring intramural sports were announced Sunday night by the intramural board.

Those chosen are Harold L. Gordon '39, midgetball; Ernest T. Kinland '38, track; Joseph W. Weigel '38, golf; John H. Hetrick '38, soccer; and Richard C. Walton '38, tennis. Tennis as an intramural activity is being revived by the Board after three or four years. Each house may have one doubles team, and there will be singles eliminations.

## Breene Selected Inter-Fraternity Dance Chairman

### Committee Considers 3 Orchestras for Ball April 16

### Chairmen Will Choose Decorations This Week

Samuel A. Breene '37 was chosen chairman of the Interfraternity Ball committee, it was announced today by George M. Hacker '37, president of Interfraternity Council.

Hacker also announced that a band for the dance to be held in Recreation hall on Friday night, April 16, will be selected this week. Orchestras that are being considered include Joe Haymes, Clyde McCoy, and Hudson-DeLange. It has not been definitely decided whether one or two orchestras would be engaged for the dance.

Committee Named Other seniors who have been chosen for the Interfraternity Ball committee are Wallace H. Alexander, Paul E. Benner, John W. Blackburn, William C. Brookmeyer, Erwin G. Dengling, Ralph S. DeTurk, John C. Everett, William M. Getchey, George W. Haines, Edwin Harris, Oliver J. Krieger, William R. Rathgeb, Howard J. Voorhees, and Alexander D. Walter.

Final decision has not been made as to the decorative theme for the dance. The motif to be used will be announced following the selection of the band or bands, Breene said. Two years ago Mal Hallett and Fletcher Henderson furnished the music for Interfraternity Ball and last year Buddy Rogers and his orchestra were the musicians.

## Thurman Gives Chapel Address

### Dean of Religion at Howard U. Says Sacrifice Needed in Attaining God

"The best that one can do is less than God requires," declared Dr. Howard T. Thurman, Dean of Religion at Howard University, at the regular Sunday morning chapel service in Schwab auditorium.

Doctor Thurman said that the fullness of life can be measured by the degree to which we are willing to forego our desires. These must be surrendered completely, he asserted, to attain the realm of God.

"The road to this goal is hard," said Doctor Thurman. "Jesus said, 'Follow me, but remember, straight is the gate.'"

His impressions of India, with which Doctor Thurman entertained his audience in the Little Theater at 3:30 Sunday, were principally problematical.

He presented the problem of the Indian Christian who must give up all symbols of original Hindu religion and live in a half-world. "They must be more enlightened," declared Doctor Thurman, "so that they may be more self-assured."

The Indian employment question, Doctor Thurman believes to be even greater than ours, since work with the hands is considered undesirable by the cultured.

Defines Quest "The Quest for Validation" was the topic of Doctor Thurman's talk in Schwab auditorium at 7:30 o'clock Sunday night. The quest for validation, Dr. Thurman defined as a search for the truth.

## 5,952 Now Registered For Second Semester

A total second semester enrollment of 5,952 has been announced by Registrar William S. Hoffman. A new record for second semester registration was established when 5,463 enrolled at the regular registration a month ago. Second semester enrollment last year was 5,224.

Forty-four of the students admitted to the College for the first time this semester were given advanced standing, Dr. Carl E. Margard, College Examiner, stated. He also announced admission of sixty-one new students to the Graduate School.

## '39 Independents Adopt Platform

### Freshmen To Join Sophomores In Accepting Junior Class Election Issues

For the first time in the history of the College, three class political parties have united in a common movement to subordinate personalities with definite platform issues in the current re-organization of campus politics.

The freshman and sophomore independent groups of the College sent representatives to the junior class Independent Party meeting in room 318, Old Main, Sunday afternoon.

Robert J. Baxter, acting chairman of the Class of 1938 Independent Party, announced that the sophomores had definitely adopted the 11-point platform and constitution of the party. The freshmen are meeting this week to announce formally their agreement with the upperclass representatives.

Watkins Address Group At Sunday's meeting, Prof. Roy V. Watkins, of the department of English composition, addressed the group on his observations of past independent movements on the campus here and at Syracuse. Professor Watkins said, "Student politics should mean more than the following of a trail which leads to the dollar mark of some earthly reward—class officers can make a better Penn State by conscientious action."

Chairman Baxter stressed the policy of the Independents in refusing to barter. He said, "Several fraternities are deciding to lose their clique identity and join the independent movement. We are not engaged in an antagonistic movement, but we are united for a better student government at Penn State."

## Panning at Gridiron Affair Planned For Faculty

Campus big shots will not be the only ones in for a panning at the Gridiron Banquet March 18. The faculty will come in for a good share of the riding that is to be handed out in the skits during the dinner.

Starting in with the first course and continuing throughout the banquet, Father Time will review the March of Time, introducing the different skits and tracing the year's panorama of activity and news on the campus.

From the basement of Old Main to the top of North Liberal Arts will Father Time introduce his characters and reveal their pet accomplishments. From Engineering F to the A building will be material for the evening's fun. For while certain of the faculty may hide their motives and idiosyncrasies from many, they cannot conceal them from Old Father Time, the ancient ser. He sees all, knows all, and conceals nothing.

Invitations to faculty and students were sent out last week in the form of news stories. Those who received bids to the annual affair will be able to procure their tickets at the Student Union office with the presentation of their bid, as long as they present themselves before Monday, March 15.

Right now the committee for the banquet is having a difficult time deciding who will receive the traditional awards. There are so many eligible for the brown derby that final selection will be hard. The brown derby is given to the graduating senior who got through school with the least amount of effort. Other awards will be such things as a big red bomb to the campus' leading radical and a lily to the student most nearly filling the bill.

## Class President To Present Plan Thursday Night

### Osterlund To Explain Change in Student Government

### Open Forum To Follow Presentation of Idea

Frank A. Osterlund, senior class president, has called a meeting of those interested in his proposal of student government in the Home Economics auditorium Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The meeting is called, Osterlund said, in an effort to interest more students in their own government. Letters of explanation have been sent to many student leaders in the past few weeks inviting them to attend the meeting.

Osterlund will throw the meeting open for discussion of his plan to make student government more democratic. The proposal was adopted as a resolution at the National Student Federation of America national convention in New York in December.

Explanation of Points An explanation of the various points of the proposed reforms will be made, Osterlund said. The plan attempts to remedy graft, dirty politics, padded "comp" lists, and inactivity of student officers. Students will be urged to take a more active part in their government, and definite campaigns with major planks for political elections and parties will be discussed.

Hoot, Weddell to Attend Meeting Osterlund will announce at the meeting that Willard D. Hoot '39 and David S. Weddell '38 will attend the state convention of the Association of Pennsylvania Colleges at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Hoot is the present treasurer of the association. Among the proposals to be pushed is a legislative bill to permit students to vote by mail instead of going home at the time of national and state elections.

Osterlund also announced that Richard W. Ewalt, president of the freshman class, will be invited to sit in at meetings of Student Board in the future.

Charles A. Hungerford has been named chairman of the committee for the senior class gift. It is suggested that all ideas for a gift be given to him.

## Dr. Peters' Invention Applied by Ed. School

Using the automatic margin justifier device invented by Dr. Charles C. Peters, of the department of education and psychology, the School of Education published the first lithographed book bound in cloth and with the right-hand margins aligned mechanically. The book, "Statistical Procedure and Their Mathematical Bases," was co-authored by Dr. Peters and Walter R. Van Voorhis, administrative head at the Pottsville undergraduate center.

The expense of publishing the lithographed book is less than half the cost of printing it in regular type. The book is now used in the teachers' colleges at the Universities of Columbia and California and in the Schools of Commerce at the University of New York and Minnesota. Reviewed favorably by American and foreign journals, it is also in use in about 15 countries including China, Holland, Latvia, and Estonia.

## Plans Bridge Tourney

The Ellen H. Richards Club will sponsor a bridge and game tournament in Grange Playroom, Saturday, March 13, from 2 to 5 o'clock. Door and table prizes will be presented to the lucky participants. An admission fee of 25 cents will cover refreshments and table charge.

## Freshmen, Sophomores May Now Apply for Lingnan Scholarships

Applications for exchange students to attend Lingnan University, Canton, China, next year are being received at the office of the Christian Association. Application blanks and detailed information are available there.

Only freshmen and sophomores with an average of approximately "2" are eligible. Other requirements to apply for the scholarships are superior character, participation in extra-curricular activities, interest in international and international affairs, certificate of good health, and assurance of financial support. "Penn State in China" is a student enterprise, started in 1911. Since that

## Vienna Choir Boys Appear Tonight for 4th Number Of Artists Course Series

### Presented Award



DEAN FRANK C. WHITMORE

## Research Medal Given Whitmore

### Formal Presentation of Nichols Award to Chemistry Dean Made in New York

Formal presentation of the William H. Nichols gold medal award for outstanding chemical research was made to Dean Frank C. Whitmore, of the School of Chemistry and Physics, at a dinner attended by more than 400 scientists in New York City Friday night. The dinner was given jointly by the New York section and the Society of Chemical Industry.

Whitmore, president-elect of the American Chemical Society for 1938, received the Nichols medal for his studies in the "metallo-organic compounds, especially those of mercury, and in the field of aliphatic chemistry, particularly in molecular rearrangement and in the polymerization of olefins."

### Honor Established in 1902

Dr. Walter S. Landis, chairman of the medal jury, made the presentation to Dr. Whitmore of the award established in 1902 to "stimulate original research in chemistry." Prof. Marston T. Bogert, of Columbia University, past president of the American Chemical Society, discussed Dean Whitmore's scientific achievements, while Dr. Gerald L. Wendt, former dean here and now director of the American Institute of the City of New York, outlined Dr. Whitmore's personal career.

In accepting, Dean Whitmore, who has been here since 1929, reported that with the aid of a dozen assistants he had succeeded in five years in removing most of the "magic and uncertainty" attached to the reactions involved in polymerization and in reducing these complex changes to an orderly basis. He went on to explain how he had accomplished this.

Dean Whitmore's text book for organic chemistry will be published in the near future. This is the first work of his kind in English. Previously, chemists have been dependent upon translations of European texts for such reference books.

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## To 12 Year Old Troupe Presents Program In 3 Parts

### Austrian Group Makes Fifth American Tour

The Vienna Choir Boys will present the fourth number of the 1936-37 Artists Course in Schwab auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock.

Appearing on their fifth American tour, the Austrian group, composed of boys from 8 to 12 years old, will render a varied program of song and operetta. The Vienna Choir organization is over 500 years old.

### Program in 3 Parts

The program is divided into three parts. Assumpta est Maria, by George Aichinger; O regem coeli, by T. L. da Vittoria; O bone Deus, by Jacobus Gallus; and Stabat Mater, by Joseph Haydn, compose the first part.

An operetta in one act, "On the Beautiful Blue Danube," takes up the second group on the program. The music, which was written by Johann Strauss, was especially arranged for the Vienna Choir Boys.

### Story of Love

The story of the operetta concerns the age-old love tale of the mother disapproving her daughter's choice, having in mind a richer man. In the end, everything turns out well. As the third and final part of the program, the Choir Boys will present the evening song and closing scene from "Hansel and Gretel," by Engelbert Humperdinck; The Night, by Franz Schubert; Waltz in A flat major, by Johannes Brahms; and The Spring, by Max Reger.

## SU Plans Buses For Boxing Trip

### Buses Will Leave State College Friday, Saturday Mornings For Syracuse Bouts

Special through buses to the boxing intercollegiate at Syracuse Friday and Saturday are being run by the Hotel State College Travel Bureau in conjunction with Student Union. The fare will be \$8.95 for a round-trip, as compared with the regular price of \$10.45.

Two buses are being planned at present. One will leave State College Friday at 10:30 o'clock and will arrive at Syracuse in time for the preliminary bouts that evening. The second will leave at 7:30 o'clock Saturday and will arrive in time for the semi-finals and finals. If there is a further demand, more buses will be added.

### Reservations Needed

Reservations for seats must be made immediately with George L. Donovan '35, Student Union manager, who will conduct the trip. There are thirty-three seats available in each Greyhound bus. A deposit of \$2.00 will be required, but this may be returned if so desired.

Hotel reservations for a party of ten or more may be made at a reduced rate at either the Hotel Syracuse or Hotel Onondago, Donovan announced. Tickets for the boxing meet may also be reserved, with the price for the three performances estimated at \$2.50.

Students or faculty members wishing to make reservations may do so either at Student Union or at the Hotel State College.

## Hillel Presents 'He' In Theatre Program

The Hillel Foundation presented "He," a one-act play by Eugene O'Neill, Sunday evening, in the Little Theatre. It was the first of a series of dramatic presentations by the Foundation.

The play was directed by Dr. Fred Brown, of the department of education and psychology, and the cast included Selma Greenburg, Samuel Rosen, Julius Marmorino, Isadore Greenburg, Morton Wool, and Herman Costow. Properties and lighting were supervised by Beatrice Conford.

The Theatre Social was opened with musical selections by Joseph Kriss, violinist, and Bernard Rossmann at the piano. Kriss was accompanied by pianist, Leopa Kreinson.