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INCOME TAX FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS?

LITTLE BY LITTLE the United States Supreme Court has been hacking away at the limits placed upon the federal government's taxing power...

Opinions on the subject differ as greatly as Japan and Russia, but the most significant thing is the fact that some constitutional lawyers in Washington already have ventured to say that the decision hints strongly at federal taxation of all professional employees...

And what lends further strength to this belief, they say, is the striking statement made by Justice Stone that in order to justify tax exemption "it must clearly appear that the burden upon the state function is actual and substantial, not conjectural."

"The extent to which salaries in business and professions whose standards of compensation are otherwise fixed by competitive conditions may be affected by the immunity of state employees from income tax is to a high degree conjectural," Justice Stone added.

Thus, for the first time in the history of the United States, the Supreme Court seems to be pointing the way to federal income taxation of school teachers.

Whether Congress will decide to extend the provisions of the income tax to include school teachers, however, is extremely doubtful. Whether Congress could do it and actually get away with it is even more doubtful.

For not only does the Court change its mind more often than do the members of Professor Wyand's "Women's Uplift Society," but the process of education itself has become a vital and an indispensable function of the government, a function as vital and as indispensable as police protection, fire protection, health regulation and sanitation.

For more than a century education has been an accepted governmental function in the United States. Public instruction has become a byword in our country. Year in and year out, the elementary schools, high schools, colleges, and universities of the nation accommodate more than thirty millions of students—approximately one-fourth of the entire population of the United States.

It is in the hands of these thirty millions that the future leadership of America lies. It is with these thirty millions that the rebirth or the deathknell of American democracy rests.

To say that education is not an essential governmental function is to write our own obituary.

AS PER REQUEST

IT IS with the utmost pleasure that the Collegian notes '39 Class President Joseph A. Peel's selection of a Blue Key member as one of the representatives to next year's Student Tribunal.

Above all, the action of President Peel should serve to emphasize his whole-hearted sincerity in his efforts to clean up the honorary system here, efforts not destructive in their end, but constructive throughout.

The Collegian can only hope that Blue Key will not betray this trust.

CAMPUSEER

Milk Frolic:

Freshmen copy of news stories that jam the News Editor's desk twice a week are carefully edited because the Ag school insists on having milking contests with co-eds as participants...

More Senior Backtalk:

Before going into the big stuff, Chuck Campbell lost out to Stan Scheider, as L. A. representative back in '35... the best-all around legs of the Thespian chorus belonged to our own Shirley Helms back in '35...

Looking Forward:

Jean Hauser has been a good kid for two years, in fact so good, that HE was chosen for a big sister job next year.

Fireworks in May:

Bill Huling was reaching the breaking point, what with graduation and finals coming on top of each other. So before he exploded, he exploded a few crackers at 2 in the morning...

And Again:

Despite a rainy spring and the ditches around the kappa house, love is still at work. The bug has again bitten the kappas with the announcement of the Peg Fletcher-Paul Pierson, phi del, marriage to be June 16.

A Thought:

To the will-be grads Our praises are sung; Who next year will be Our drunken Alums. (Ain't it the truth?)

How Did This Happen?:

From within the Columns of Alpha Epsilon Phi shrieks this headline: BIRTH BY ERROR

In 1945:

Our guess is that... Dusty Rhoades will be reminded of his cheerleading days as he walks the baby to and fro... and his wife jingles his keys... Frank Szymczak, the Little King, making his first step toward the governorship...

Black-out:

Aw, hell, the ribbon's shot. But Campy will get a new one in September. -CAMPY

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Phi Beta Kappa Will Initiate 13

Scholastic Honorary Inducts New Members Thursday In Nittany Lion

Phi Beta Kappa initiation, originally scheduled for next Friday, will be held Thursday in the Nittany Lion Inn. Following initiation ceremonies in the Peace Room, there will be a banquet for all members at 7 o'clock.

Those from the School of Liberal Arts who will be initiated Thursday are Marshall K. Evans, Hermione H. Hunt, Frank A. Igen, Jr., Christine M. Kaufman, Robert L. Kaye, Frances J. Keesley, John E. Matz, David P. McFarland, Jr., Eleanor L. Robinson, and Edwin K. Taylor.

888 To Receive Degrees June 6

(Continued From Page One) by Edward E. Wood '41, who will play Mussel's Meditation for "Thais."

Hetzl to Present Degrees President Ralph D. Hetzel will then present the degrees and Colonel Russell V. Venable, U. S. A., will present commissions as second lieutenants, Officers' Reserve Corps, United States Army, to 13 engineers and 30 infantrymen who have completed two years of advanced R. O. T. C. work.

The number of graduates by schools and curricula follows: Bachelor of arts—School of Liberal Arts; arts and letters, 121; Commerce and Finance, 99; Journalism, 28; total, 168; School of Education—62.

Bachelor of Science—School of Agriculture; Agricultural and Biological Chemistry, 19; Agricultural Economics, 9; Agricultural Education, 16; Agronomy, 10; Animal Husbandry, 6; Botany, 1; Dairy Husbandry, 40; Forestry, 82; Horticulture, 9; Landscape Architecture, 5; Poultry Husbandry, 6; Zoology, 3; total, 206.

School of Chemistry and Physics: Chemical Engineering, 31; Chemistry, 9; Commercial Chemistry, 16; Physics, 3; Pre-Medical, 24; Science, 6; total, 88.

School of Education: Education, 22; Home Economics, 48; Industrial Education, 4; Music Education, 12; Nature Education, 7; total, 193.

School of Engineering: Architectural Engineering, 7; Architecture, 8; Civil Engineering, 8; Electrical Engineering, 35; Electrochemical Engineering, 4; Industrial Engineering, 20; Mechanical Engineering, 51; Sanitary Engineering, 1; total, 134.

School of Mineral Industries: Ceramics, 5; Fuel Technology, 3; Geology, 2; Metallurgy, 15; Mining Engineering, 8; Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering, 8; total, 41.

School of Physical Education and Athletics: Physical Education and Health, 33.

Advanced degrees—Master of Arts, 13; Master of Education, 14; Master of Science, 30; Civil Engineering, 2; Mechanical Engineering, 1; Engineer of Mines, 1; Doctor of Philosophy, 10; total, 71.

Sunday evening, June '5, the seniors will hold Class Day exercises on front campus, following a concert by the Blue Band under the direction of Bandmaster Wilfred O. Thompson, U. S. A.

Thomas H. Moore, chairman of the Class Day committee, will give the address of welcome and present the class honors. Charles M. Wheeler will make the Pipe Oration, Amy McClelland will give the Mirror Oration, and Anne D. Rudolph will present the women's class honors. Frieda M. Knepper will read the class poem, Spoon Man Emmett E. Rhoades will present the class memorial, which will be accepted by Col. J. Franklin Shields, president of the Board of Trustees.

Other honor men are Cane Man, Sol B. Michoff, Barrell Man, George W. Jarden; permanent secretary, Louis N. Pearce; and permanent treasurer, Rhoades. John E. Matz will deliver the valedictory address.

Other honor women are salutatorian, Bernice E. Zwald, Bow Girl, Caroline J. Tyson, Fan Girl, Olwen W. Evans; and Slipper Girl, Mary E. Taylor.

M. I. Conclave Slated The eighth Pennsylvania mineral industries conference will be held here today and tomorrow as a joint symposium for petroleum and natural gas leaders.

Thespians Choose Thomas As Head

Club Admits Nineteen To Active Membership At Meeting For Organization

Gordon S. Thomas '39, was elected president of the Penn State Thespian club at an organization meeting last week, at which nineteen students were admitted to active membership.

Other officers elected for the coming school year are secretary, Herbert Heller '40; treasurer, Frank Zumbro '40; and staff manager, John Lipcecky '39.

Glenn H. Hill '39 was named business manager, while other managers were elected as follows: Advertising, Frank Zumbro '40; properties, Morris Feldbaum '40; costumes, Kent Hoppel '40; personnel, Helen V. Anderson '39; stage manager, John Graham; orchestra, Edward Sutherland '40; chief scenic artist, Thomas Slutler '41; head electrician, Richard Kintner '40.

600 To Compete In PIAA Finals

Over 600 entries from 139 high schools in 20 districts of class A and class B will compete here tomorrow in the finals of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association track and field meet.

District championships were decided in various parts of the state last Saturday and the first and second place winners in each event will vie for P. I. A. A. honors. District One, including such strong contenders as Upper Darby, Ridley Park and Lansdowne, is a heavy favorite to retain the mythical state crown won last year.

While Lancaster's negro ace, Barney Ewell, is over the age limit and unable to defend his 100 and 220 titles, a teammate has recorded 9.8 for the best time in the century. Keen competition should exist in the sprints with Jimmy Callista of Erie Vincent, the boy who registered 9.1 with a strong wind, being a pre-meet favorite in both dashes and 440.

The finals in the P. I. A. A. golf title are also slated for tomorrow with 41 entries from 11 districts competing. Jack Brand, present member of the Lion freshman team, won the championship last year playing for Sewickley High School.

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Display History Data

Historical material about the College is being displayed in the Library until the end of Commencement Week. The exhibit was collected by Dr. E. W. Runkle, College historian, and includes building plans from 1881 to the present, pictures of early faculty and student groups, and a copy of the first College history.

Phi Kappa Phi Elects

New officers of Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honorary, recently elected for the coming year are Prof. Andrew A. Borland, president; Prof. Warren Grover C. Thompson, vice-president; Luther T. Bissey, secretary; Prof. Julia G. Brill, treasurer; Prof. Mason Long, journal correspondent; and Prof. Ernest W. Callenbach and Prof. David F. McFarland, executive committee.

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