

Legislators Endorse Absentee Voting Amendment ELLIOTT, McWILLIAMS UP FOR ALL-COLLEGE POST

Committee Approval Is Unanimous Senator Ruth's Plan Will Appear For Final Okay

See editorial, "The Right to Vote" Page 2. Special to the Collegian. HARRISBURG, April 3.—A proposed amendment to the state constitution to permit a system of absentee voting has been unanimously reported out of the Senate General Judiciary Committee, it was learned here today.

The proposed amendment, introduced by Senator Frank W. Ruth (D., Berks), was passed by the House and Senate last year but, according to constitutional provisions, must be passed again this year before it can be placed on the ballot for a general referendum. If passed, it will appear before the voters next November. As it now stands, the proposed amendment would be tacked on to Article VIII of the state constitution and would permit the Legislature to provide for a system of voting which would permit qualified state residents to exercise their voting privileges although they may be absent from their election district or the state or physically incapacitated at the time of the election. The proposed amendment: "The Legislature may by general law provide a manner in which and the time and place at which qualified voters who may on the occurrence of any election be unavoidably absent from the State or County of their residence because then duties, occupation or business require, they to be elsewhere within the United States or who on occurrence of any election are unable to attend at their proper polling places because of illness or physical disability may vote and for the return and canvass of their votes in the election district in which they respectively reside."

Science Group To Meet Here Confab Will Celebrate Three Scientific Centennials Friday, Saturday

The centennials of three important scientific events will be celebrated by the Pennsylvania Academy of Science at its 15th annual meeting to be held here Friday and Saturday. The events in the postulation of the cell theory of life, the discovery of photography and the discovery of rubber. Eighty papers on various scientific subjects are scheduled to be delivered before the various groups of the senior section of the Academy. A separate program has been arranged for members of the junior section, composed of high school and preparatory school students. Among the speakers for the two-day meeting are Robert T. Hancock, formerly of the department of zoology at the University of Pittsburgh, Luke Swank, lecturer at Pittsburgh and Duquesne University; Dr. Horrocks, of the Goddard Tire and Rubber Company; Dr. Arthur B. Cleaves, geologist for the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission; Dr. Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics; and Dr. Frank Dabaker, of the College of Pharmacy at the University of Pittsburgh. The Pennsylvania Academy of Science is composed of college and university scientists, curators of museums, and professors in state teachers colleges and in some high schools.



DR. BERNARD C. CLAUSEN

PSCA To Hold Annual Dinner Pittsburgh Pastor To Speak At Meeting of Group In Sandwich Shop

Dr. Bernard C. Clausen, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, will be the guest speaker for the annual all-Christians Association dinner to be held at 6-15 p.m. Monday, April 17, in the Old Main Sandwich Shop. It was announced yesterday. Following the custom of past years, nominations for new members of the Christian Association's board of directors will be made during the dinner. Chairman Named James M. McPhail '40 is general chairman in charge of arrangements for the dinner while C. William Sprekel '39 will be toastmaster. Committee heads are Sarahell Shiff '10, publicity; Beyst M. Hindman '40, program; John L. Shellenberger '39, tickets; and Margaret C. Bauer '39, decorations.

Driver Writes College To Locate Hiker Who Left Gloves

At last a human benefactor! It seems that Joseph R. Bouine '42 was hitch-hiking from Princeton, N. J., two weeks ago when he was given a ride to Lancaster by one John J. Matthews, who treated him right royally, insisting on buying his lunch. This week the College received a letter from Mr. Matthews to the effect that a "student from Princeton" had left some leather wool-lined gloves in his car. Bouine was located and is sending for the gloves.

Communism Tops Fascism In Poll By Student Opinion Surveys AUSTIN, Tex., April 3.—Communism would be the choice of a majority of American college students if they had to decide between that system and Fascism. This trend has been revealed by the latest nation-wide poll of the Student Opinion Surveys of America. Within the last two decades "Fascism and Communism" have come into the front in the news as a result of the set-ups in operation in Russia, Germany, and Italy. During that period of time today's college youth has been growing up. Because of the directly opposite policies of the two forms of government, to which is better has developed, especially in halls of learning. Frequently asked in the question, "If you had to make a choice, which would you prefer, Fascism or Communism?" When this hypothetical question was put before the nation's college students, representing in the Surveys' cross-section every creed,

\$25 Prize Is Offered For Best Lodge Plans

All-Student Project Sponsored Under Recreation Board; Designs Due By April 22

Deciding to make it an all-student project, the Recreational Planning Board, working toward the establishment of an all-college lodge in the nearby mountains, will offer a prize of \$25 to the student submitting the best plans for such a structure. All undergraduates are eligible to complete and designs should be submitted to the Planning Board, Recreation Hall, by April 22.

The Board announced the contest yesterday in order to give student architects an opportunity to work on the project during vacation. Must Accommodate 125 The Lodge, according to Dr. Elwood C. Davis, chairman of the Board, must be large enough to accommodate 125 students, have two dormitories of equal size, a kitchen, quarters for caretaker, guest-quarters, a large storage room for sports equipment, heating plant, toilets, game room and running water.

The cost should range between \$6,000 and \$8,000. Further specifications can be had by contacting Dr. Davis or Ray Conger.

1,014 Couples Attend IF Ball

Profit on Total Income Of \$2,923 Is \$303; \$353 Paid For Checking

A total of 1,014 couples attended the Interfraternity Ball Friday night, according to a tentative report released yesterday by co-chairmen Wilmer Rockmaker and George Yeckley, to produce a net profit of \$303.92. Of the 1,014 admissions, eighty were complimentary, leaving an income of \$2,335 at \$2.50 per invitation. Forty-seven booth rentals, at \$5 each, netted \$235, while checking income totaled \$353, making a total income of \$2,923.92. Expenditures totaled \$2,619.18, the \$1,200 for music being the largest. It was also noted that an expense of \$100 was incurred through damage to decorations the night of the affair.

Admissions, at \$2.50—\$2,135; booth rentals, at \$5—\$235; checkings 706 at \$5—\$353.

Music—\$1,200; decorations—\$400; damage to decorations—\$100; advertising—\$65; program—\$132; college labor—\$76.05; emcey—\$13; catering—\$75; invitation printing—\$13.75; flowers—\$10; piano tuning—\$5; telephone and telegraph—\$5.78; miscellaneous—\$25; women's attendant—\$5; compensations of \$50 each to president of Interfraternity Council and the two co-chairmen, man in charge of checking—\$20, assistants, 11 at \$5—\$55, one at \$2—\$2; compensations from check room of \$92 each to president of IPC and the two co-chairmen.

Blaine Will Talk Here Apr. 13 On Folk Song

Professor Harold A. Blaine of Western Reserve University will speak in the Little Theatre in Old Main, at 4:10 p.m., on April 13. His subject will be "The American Scene in Folk Song." Professor Blaine's talk is being sponsored by the departments of English Composition and English Literature.

Senate May Again Hear 2 Proposals

May Discuss Student Membership; Plan Recess Report

The advisability of a mid-year vacation in future College calendars, and the Landsberg amendment providing student representation to the College Senate may be discussed at the regular meeting of the Senate next Thursday afternoon.

Referred to the Academic Standards and Calendar committees at the March meeting, the mid-year vacation question will again be brought up, provided the two committees meet and have a report ready to present to the Senate.

Plan Joint Meeting Prof. Jacob Tanger, chairman of the Academic Standards committee, said yesterday that he and Prof. Elton D. Walker, Calendar Committee chairman, will try to arrange a joint meeting of the committees, either this afternoon or immediately after Easter recess.

At the last Senate meeting the committees were instructed to report "at an early date."

Action on the measure depends largely on the Calendar Committee. Prof. Tanger pointed out, since the Academic Standards committee is more concerned with such matters as lengthening examination periods. The amendment to the Senate constitution providing for student representation on the floor in the Senate was first introduced by Dr. Helmut Landsberg two months ago. At the March meeting no action was taken on it, since the vacation discussion took up the entire meeting.

Instead of one voting representative to the Senate as proposed by Dr. Landsberg, prominent administration and student leaders favor three non-voting student representatives—two men and one woman.

Dorsey Signed For '40 Prom "Tommy" To Appear Here On May 5; Played Senior Ball Last Year

Tommy Dorsey, that sentimental gentleman of swing who is lauded by Downbeat as one of the best trombonists of the day, will provide the music for Junior Prom goes on May 5. Co-chairmen Leonard Cooper and H. Jack Allen announced.

Dorsey, now being featured on the Raleigh and Kools radio program, played for Senior Ball last year. Eppan Elythe Wright is Dorsey's vocalist.

The co-chairmen also announced that Marguerite Schaeffer '40, has been chosen ex-officio member of the Prom committee.

Final Arrangements Set For Bunny Hop

Plans for the Bunny Hop, the annual Penn State Club all-college dance, have been completed, according to Theodore Rice '41 and William M. Cooper '39, co-chairmen. Slated for April 16, the affair will begin the post-Easter social season.

The Campus Owls will dish out sizzling swing for the evening, while the varsity quartet will be strictly "on the jive" with some bi-and-new swing arrangements at intermission.

The dance will be semi-formal, the chairmen announced. Invitations have been extended to a number of faculty members.

Rec Hall will be illuminated with streams of colored lights for the affair, and a spot-light will be on hand. Admission will be 75 cents per couple.

Senior Lion Coal Sale To Begin On April 13; Price Is Set At \$1.10

Senior Lion Coals will go on sale Thursday, April 13, at three downtown stores, it was announced by Wilbert W. Scheel, committee chairman. The coals will be priced at \$1.10, fifteen cents under the cost of previous years.

Stores which will handle the traditional Senior coals are Schlow's (for women) and Harper's and Mitten's (for men).

Independent Groups Plan New Council

8 Units To Form Body After Vacation

With eight units solidly behind the drive, the committee on independent organizations will center its attention on the formation of an Independent Men's Council shortly after the Easter holidays.

David E. Peigin '40, chairman announced yesterday. The Council set-up will closely resemble the Interfraternity Council system, Peigin said. It is expected that each unit will be allowed two representatives.

Parliament Hall and Mattie's are the two new boarding houses to join the move for social and athletic unity among Penn State's non-fraternity group. The college-wide survey, in operation for the past two weeks, should be completed by tonight at the latest, Peigin also said. Returns to date show a near unanimous decision favoring the organization move.

The establishment of a date bureau for the convenience of members of the units in the drive is also being considered, Peigin stated.

Pan-Hel To Sponsor Co-Ed Bridge Meets

Double or rotation bridge will be played at the Pan-Hellenic all-co-ed bridge tournaments to be held April 25-26 and 27.

Each group will form its own team, and a charge of \$5 will be made for each registered team. There will be no limit to the number of teams a house group may enter.

Memorized rules, prepared by Dr. C. H. Graves, department of mathematics, are being distributed to each sorority house.

Nominees Selected By Two Cliques For Presidential Spot

Cresswell Nominated For Vice-President By Campus Party; Independents Postpone Selection

George Warren Elliott, Jr., '40 Campus, and Howard Clifton McWilliams, Jr., '40 Independent, were nominated by their respective parties Sunday night for the office of all-College President, newly-established by the student government constitution.

Don M. Cresswell, Jr., '40 was chosen by the Campus clique to run with Elliott for all-College Vice-President, while the Independents postponed their nomination for that office.

McWilliams was unanimously selected, but Elliott edged Cresswell after Walter A. Jones '40 declined his nomination for the post. Cresswell then secured the vice-presidential nomination in a three-way struggle with Jones and Edgar L. Landon.

At the same time the Junior Campus group completed its list of candidates by nominating three class officers and four men for respective School Councils. The Junior Independent ticket lacks completion by one nominee for Education School Council post.

Boyd Fote Jr. and Bernard N. Sandson received respective nominations for vice-president and treasurer without opposition, John E. Hoffman, a late nominee, captured the secretary post over Edward E. Hoesy after George C. Henry declined.

Campus selections for four School Council posts included Ernest M. Berkaw, Jr., Education; Scott B. Alter, Mineral Industries; Charles P. Neudig, Chemistry and Physics; and Jerome N. Goodman, Engineering.

No person was slated to run for the Liberal Arts Council in view of the proposed organization of such a council as provided for by the new constitution. The Independent nominee, Clarence H. Evans, may also be withdrawn if the council is organized before elections.

Among the other parties, two class officers remain open for possible inclusion of women. Sophomore Campus and Freshman Independent may both fill the secretary post by nominating a coed. The Freshman Campus slate includes all men.

Independents Set Platform

Parties Combine On Single 5 Point Program At Meeting Sunday

Uniting into one body, the Independent parties of the Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman classes, broke tradition to mold a single platform for the entire party, released at the 1940 Independent meeting Sunday night.

The five-point platform was formulated by representatives of all three classes within the party, and will serve for both class and all-College elections.

The approved platform reads as follows: "We, the Independent party of the Pennsylvania State College, earnestly pledge ourselves to further the Independent tradition of impartiality and efficiency in student government by means of the following:

- 1.—To support wholeheartedly the Independent Men's Association. 2.—To provide for an expansion of the Student Book Exchange as initiated and developed by the Independent party of the class of 1939. 3.—To support the drive for a Student Union building. 4.—To provide for an adequate method of selecting managers of the various sports, which method shall show no discrimination against any individual or any group of individuals. 5.—To promote more equitable relations between fraternities and non-fraternity men."

150 Dancers Chosen For May Day Parts

Approximately 150 dancers will participate in the May Day Ceremony to be held on front campus May 13. A modern dance group will present interpretive dances in addition to the regular May Pole dancing.

Miss Jessie Cameron, assistant professor of physical education, directing the modern dance group, consisting of major physical education students, in several original dances. They are planning to greet the May Queen and present her with the symbols of her office.

Inadvertently the name of E. Jane Wettlau '41 was substituted for that of Jeanne Withrow '41 under the list of women chosen to take part in the May Day ceremony. Jeanne Withrow will be a jester.

Plan Cannery School

The second cannery school, sponsored by the College and the Pennsylvania Cannery Association, will be held here April 20, according to Dr. Warren B. Mack, head of the department of horticulture, who is in charge of arrangements for the school.

The industrial engineers are split in two parties, with one group of 21 visiting in Philadelphia and the other, with 16 members in Pittsburgh. Prof. Clarence E. Bullinger heads the Philadelphia party and Robert A. Hussay leads the Pittsburgh group.