

Here's An Honest Man! Visitor Thanks Student For Returning Valuables

The honesty of an unknown student has drawn the gratitude of an out-of-town visitor who recently lost a pair of gloves and a purse containing money and valuables on the sundial in front of Old Main.

In a letter addressed to President Hetsel the visitor, Mrs. Elizabeth Davies Smith of Harrisburg congratulated the student body on its honesty.

Twenty minutes after she had put her things down she discovered the loss and reported it to Student Union where the gloves and purse were returned immediately.

"As I have no way of thanking the finder," Mrs. Smith wrote President Hetsel "I take this means of informing you hoping the person will receive the commendation he or she deserves."

A 50-Second Chat—

THE DEANS ...

Dr. Frank C. Kern

By HELEN V. ATKINSON

"Have ambitions and thoughts for the future, but make the most of the present and be prepared to take advantage of every opportunity," is the advice of Dr. Frank D. Kern, dean of the Graduate School.

Dean Kern has been in charge of the school since its formation in 1922 and has seen it grow to the point where last year it conferred 298 advanced degrees.

He sees in the future an ever growing demand for graduate study because of the increasing need for research and specialization.



DEAN F. D. KERN

tion "I feel," the Dean added, "that only more competent, able and well-prepared students should be encouraged to do graduate work." In keeping with this, one of the requirements for admission to the school is a 1.5 average as an undergraduate.

The Dean's chief interests outside of office hours are plant and animal biology, and the protection of plants from disease. He also has traveled extensively in the United States, South America, Europe, and the West Indies. His hobbies are painting, sketching, and building models of airplanes and boats.

He holds four academic degrees: a B.S. from the University of Iowa in 1904, an M.S. from Purdue University in 1907, a Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1911, and D.Sc. from the University of Puerto Rico in 1926.

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Seismograph Re-Installed In New MI Center Wing

After a lapse of more than a year during building alterations, the College seismograph, which has picked up earthquake vibrations from as far as 11,000 miles, has been reinstalled on a scientifically placed concrete pier in the new central wing of the Mineral Industries Building.

"We got the instrument set up again just in time to record the recent earthquakes in the mid-west, and it registered very sensitively," said Dr. Helmut Landsberg, assistant professor of geophysics who announced that a new component is now being added to the seismograph which will make it possible to judge more accurately the direction from which earthquake vibrations are received.

Dr. Landsberg, who built the present instrument five years ago, said the effect of nearby explosions is surprisingly pronounced. When workmen were blasting foundation holes for the new Mineral Industries wing, the instrument recorded all the shocks.

The Penn State instrument is one of the few recognized seismographs in the state and, after the recent readjustment, is able to perform with greater proficiency, since it is entirely free from interfering vibration of the building.

Letter Box

Dear Editor

That issue of November 28 was certainly swell. We had put the works on Pitt, Soph Flop had been thoroughly sunk by the new addition of a working committee—and that bonfire!

All together it was a 1940 model super de luxe week-end, and you Collegian boys had done nobly. It looked as though almost every mother's son hereabouts (and even some of the alumni) had done the right thing at the right moment.

But the nightcrawler in the spaghetti was that story on the cots in the We Women column. Everything else was beautiful—why spoil the scenery with a story like that? How would a fellow come send a copy of that issue home?

If some of those 24-hour lovers want to make fools of themselves, why should you spoil the issue and give them the publicity they crave?

Please tell that We Women it's none of her headache. What does this WSGA think about—or are they only "wooden horses"? Is We Women the only one that cares? Aren't there any chaperones around these "hot spots"? Who lets them get away with this stuff? Or is it the new outlook on life?

Anyway, please cut out this reform business. Why should you get headaches for yourself?

Yours for a nice clean Collegian, except for the columns

Interested

To the Editor, Penn State Collegian, Is there anything cute about a Queue? This is not on the Q-T. I offer a prize of one Artists' Course ticket, Row B, Rear Balcony, purchase price \$5, to the man, woman, or child who submits the best suggestion as to how to sell and distribute Artists' Course tickets on an equitable basis to the campus and general public without the necessity of forming a queue of people at the ticket office. Suggestions must be typewritten and should be mailed to Dr. C. E. Marquadt, chairman, Artists' Course Committee, 108 Old Main, not later than noon on Friday, December 8.

On Saturday morning my partner, Dr. H. M. Davis, and I slept approximately six hours of sleep as we stood in line. I estimate that about 3,000 man hours of time sleep and rest were lost by the ticket sellers who began to form in line outside Old Main before 5 A.M.

This estimated practice of forming a queue does not credit to the intelligence of Penn State I, for one am thoroughly ashamed of you for some bright suggestions.

Nelson W. Taylor, Department of Ceramics

To The Editor, Penn State Collegian, When I was on the campus (shed a tear, dear Alumnus, lurching for the lamp post in Froth's eternal gag cartoon!) I swatted out (among other things) a column called the Campseer. It often read like Walter Winchell fused with Dorothy Thompson, and was supposed to be funny. Fortunately or otherwise, this isn't I have been told by students now in college—that a new seriousness characterizes college education, that the requirements, not only for entering college, but for staying there, have been raised, that col-

lege students everywhere advance towards a higher and truer culture. Frankly, I believe this—and I don't make my "coffee and" as a chapel speaker.

But, shadowing that advance is the possibility of America's going to war, a deliberate gutting of culture and peace which kills the many who most prize it.

The profit hunters—knowing that thousands of Americans are able to think, write, talk and act in the interests of peace, have as before resorted to an indirect method to stir up hatred and supply a reason.

Today their strongest weapon is the witch-hunting, flag-waving Dies Committee which increasingly reveals that its true end is not to fly a mere 75,000 Communists, but to break down the intellectual, moral, ethical, and physical resistances of all thinking people, particularly the defenses of the young gunworthy collegians who might not build a bonfire and, cheer loudly in the streets at the prospect of donating blood to a sick British-French imperialism and the mess it has made for itself.

It will be but a brief while before Dies and his cronies leave off fiddling with "amazing" testimonies from alleged Communist Party leaders, and statesmen whom they will brand as pro-Russian (it was pro-German the last time under the Overman Committee) and possibly pro-Hitler, too, on the basis of the present German-Soviet "alliance."

Newspapers representing the big financial interests will editorialize about the necessity of getting at the source of these "pernicious trends of thought" which corrupt wholesome American minds; and, before you get that second cup of coffee we'll all be tumbling trenchward to Make the World Safe for Mental Hygiene and the Arts!

If students at Penn State, united with those at other colleges, consistently expose and oppose the acts of Dies and his committee, they will take one giant step towards making America OUT of this war and keeping a lot of young men IN the classroom, the library, and, of course, the corner, the Kappa House, and Doggy's.

James B. Beatty, Jr., '35

MI Society To Hold Dinner December 11

The Mineral Industries Society at its annual dinner in the Nittany Lion Inn next Monday will be addressed by John Ira Thomas, secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Mines, and Francis A. Thomson, president of the Montana School of Mines.

Thomas will speak on "Some Mineral Industry Problems in Pennsylvania" and Thomson on "Strategic War Minerals."

PSCA Names Chairmen

Sydney E. Cowlin '40 was appointed business manager of the 1940-41 PSCA Student Handbook yesterday. Other PSCA chairmen named were Thomas H. Ahnswoth '40, preside sessions committee, and Cecile M. DeSilver '40, bulletin board displays.

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PSCA Finishes Finance Drive

Canvas Nets \$4793.75 For Increase Over Last Year

This year's annual PSCA financial drive netted \$1,796.75, or \$278 more than last year, according to final returns released by Wallace H. Dunlap '40, president of the Association.

The student canvass, completed in November raised \$3,615.30, women students contributing \$1,135.55 toward a goal of \$1,200 and the men giving \$2,501.75 of their \$2,800 quota. Faculty members exceeded their \$1,000 goal by giving \$1,151.45.

While the total proposed budget for the year is \$13,444, a College subsidy of \$4,000 and an additional \$375 expected through solicitation of parents, alumni, and friends will assure the Association program.

All-Teams

(Continued From Page Three)

Panther's second eleven Honorable mention for the Lions went to Wade Mori, guard, and Johnny Patrick, halfback.

Coach Carl Snaveley of Cornell handle his share of orchids to the Nittany Lions by choosing Captain Alter, regular end, and Fullback Lloyd Ickes for the annual North-South football game to be played late this month in Birmingham, Ala. Snaveley is co-mentor of the Northern team with Lynn Waldorf of Northwestern.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

Most special of all honors, however, were those in store for Gajack, whose brilliant playing all season seemed sure to bring him All-American honors. He got the honors, but not for his playing, when SportsWriter Ted Cook gave the Lion center honorable mention on his All-American Tongue-Twister eleven.

Smiths Lead Millers In 1939-40 Directory; Shortest Name Is Li

The Smiths again outnumber the Millers according to the 1939-40 Student Directory. The directory lists 74 Smiths (75 with the addition of Smyth) and only 59 Millers, keeping the former in the lead for the second year.

The first name in the book is Abber and the last is Zurlub. The shortest last name is that of Lal Yung Li, graduate assistant in horticulture. Among the persons bearing names of cities are one London, two Baltimoers, and one Berlin.

Three other schools are included in the directory under the names of Cornell and Colver, and representing the animal family are 'one Bear and 11 Foves.

Now for the sad part. There is one Bude listed but no groom. To top this off there is but one Butcher, lots of Bakers, but not a single Candlestickmaker. The final blow is that only one Gentilman can be found in the entire school.

Animal Husbandry Profs in Chicago

Ten members of the animal husbandry department attended the meetings of the American Society of Animal Production in Chicago last Friday and Saturday and this week are attending the International Livestock Exposition there. The College has entered 40 sheep and 30 swine in the Exposition.

Attending the meeting are Prof. Franklin L. Bentley, Prof. P. T. Ziegler, Prof. Mark A. McCarty, Prof. W. B. Connell, Prof. L. C. Madison, Dr. Thomas B. Keith, Dr. William T. S. Thorpe, and Peter C. MacKenzie.

Yale University is collecting a special library of written material dealing with the wars now in progress in the world.

MRA Meeting Held Sunday

Bonnie, Students Speak; Group Hears Broadcast

Chestlegh A. Bonnie, professor of geology, and four students spoke at a campus Moral Re-Armament meeting in the Friends Meeting House on Sunday. They told how MRA is solving their personal problems and changing the situations with which they come in contact.

The students were James R. Sausser '40, Carl H. Keller '40, Ruth B. Hitchcock '40, and Helen E. Archer, graduate.

At the end of the regular meeting the group listened to the international Moral Re-Armament broadcast, including speeches by prominent MRA workers.

Frank Buchman, former PSCA secretary and now national leader of the MRA movement, in his speech, announced that the week-end of "100 Million Listening" was in preparation for 1940, which is to be designated as MRA Year.

Helme Will Talk On '50 Books' Exhibit

An illustrated lecture in connection with the College Library exhibition of the "50 Books of the Year" will be presented by J. Burn Helme, professor of architecture, in 107 Main Engineering at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

The 50 books were chosen from almost 800 volumes by the American Institute of Graphic Arts because of artistic appearance, intriguing subject matter, and general design.

A large percentage of the best books are now within range of the average pocketbook. Prof. Helme has pointed out, showing that of the 50 chosen books, 28 retail for \$3 or less.

Fraternity Aid Urged In Street Repairing

Urging fraternities to cooperate in street improvements, Charles C. Wagner, chairman of the borough-council finance committee, yesterday pointed out that city owners should take advantage of WPA aid to better local road conditions.

Under the present setup, Wagner pointed out, WPA furnishes labor and part of the material, or about half the cost of the project. Other half of the expense of paving and curbing is born by the owner of the abutting property.

Work on the borough sidewalks drive has been progressing rapidly, it was reported. Over 400 property owners, including numerous fraternities, have been notified that their sidewalks must be repaired, and many of the projects are now complete or under construction.

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The Author: When an expert flyer is also an expert writer—that's Leland Jamieson! Millions of Post readers know his short stories. His first full-length novel is part autobiography, part fiction—all superb entertainment. Right now, as *High Frontier* hops off, Capt. Jamieson is at the wheel of a DC-3 somewhere between Miami and New York, where he regularly flies day and night runs.

HIGH FRONTIER

by LELAND JAMIESON

Begins in this week's Post

In this same issue

"TOO YELLOW TO PLAY FOOTBALL?" He was on the sidelines now. He was the guy who had broken Billy Cooper's leg. The guy 85,000 people were waiting to boo. And today was Game Day. A short story by Paul O'Neil on page 22 of this week's Post.

THE PLAIN PEOPLE FACE THE WAR. The writer, John W. Vandercook, recently talked with French shopkeepers, peasants, heard their stories, then motored into Germany and spent hours with Nazi small-town leaders. Now insight on how the common people of two countries are taking it.

HOLLYWOOD HUSBANDS HAVE SO-O-O MANY PROBLEMS! Reuben Rosen, Hollywood's Boy Wonder, was a wif at changing scripts into happy endings. But could he kill his wife's infatuation for her new leading man? (Quick, get the script—grr!) A short story, *Suggestion for a Happy Ending*, by Edith Fitzgerald.

WILD COYOTES BREAKFASTED WITH US! Snowed in eight months of the year, seven thousand feet up in the High Sierras, the author of this unusual nature article and her husband actually taught wild coyotes "table manners"! Read *The Coyotes Come*.

MARRY FOR LOVE—REPENT AT LEISURE. A boy of nineteen marrying a woman of thirty-one? It won't last, people were saying. But the wife, desperately in love, had the courage to find out. Read *Please Let Me Come Home*, by Heidi Deutsch.

IT WAS SMART TO BE RED. Eugene Lyons gives you a *Who's Who* of Communism's elite... how they line up unsuspecting professors, naive clergymen, writers, and "society" folk as a front for their propaganda.

AND... Short stories by Maurice Walsh and David Lamson, articles, poems, editorials, Post Scripts and cartoons. All in this week's issue of *The Saturday Evening Post*.