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Workmen Prepare Lighting For Poor's Old Main Mural

Special Equipment Now Being Placed

Workmen are busy this week placing the lighting effects which will show off to best advantage the mural painted in Old Main lobby last Spring by Henry Varnum Poor.

When their work is through, the mural, which has been a target for photographers all Summer, will pose again to have its official portrait taken, a full view as seen from the doors of Old Main.

At present it is impractical to take such a picture because a heavy chandelier blots out the most important figures.

Poor's mural, painted on a \$4,500 commission from the Class of 1932, is the first done in any American college by a noted native artist and is matched only by the works of Mexico's Orzo in the Dartmouth University Library.

The mural here has as its theme the American land grant colleges of which Penn State is the first. The central figures are Abraham Lincoln, signer of the Morrill Land Grant College Act, and the figure of an idealized student, (see cut) who is planting a tree, symbolic of education.

Already acclaimed as Poor's finest work, the mural here was begun on April 26 and finished June 18. Previous to that, the artist spent seven months studying Pennsylvania and Penn State background and preparing cartoons and sketches.

Center Abandoned

The Uniontown undergraduate center will be closed by the College this year because its enrollment last year was insufficient. Closing of the center leaves four in Pennsylvania, those at Pottsville, Hazleton, DuBois and Altoona.

Poor's Student



This sketch of Poor's ideal student is taken from a design for the mural painted in Old Main Lobby. The figure to the right and above is Abraham Lincoln.

Hetzel And Shields Sit For Portraits

Portraits of Col. J. Franklin Shields, president of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the College, were painted this Summer by two noted American artists.

The Shields portrait was done by James Chapin and now hangs in the Board room on the second floor of Old Main.

Dr. Hetzel's portrait was done by Henry Varnum Poor, who painted the Old Main mural. It is now hanging in the President's home but will be transferred to the second floor lounge, Old Main.

U. S. Army Increase Brings Shake-up In Personnel of ROTC Department As Eight of Last Year's Instructors Leave For Active Duty With New Military Units

Echoes of the European war and America's military mobilization sounded through State College this Summer, bringing with them the replacement of eight of the 12 officers attached to the department of military science and tactics.

Only officers remaining from last year's staff are Col. Ambrose R. Emery, head of the department; Maj. William L. Wharton; Maj. Heath Twichell; and Capt. Frank E. Fries.

The other officers have been assigned to active duty in the regular army with the three new divisions just being organized, the Seventh at Camp Ord, Cal.; the Eighth at Camp Jackson, S. C.; and the Ninth at Fort Bragg, N. C.

The officers leaving are Maj. Donovan P. Yeuell, Maj. John J. Albright, Maj. James H. Howe, Maj. R. A. Randall, Maj. John Ferguson, Lt. Col. Charles S. Ritchel, Lt. Col. Ralph G. Barrows and Lt. Col. Charles N. Stevens. The last three named had been in line for transfer to active duty regardless of the current army changes. Because of the international situation, however, their replacements will come from the reserve ranks instead of from the regular army.

Cage Star Assigned Here

Among the replacements assigned here is Lieut. Charles A. Prosser '39, ex-Lion basketball star, who was on a tour of active duty with the army last year.

Murder Trial Will Get Underway Monday

With the trial of one murderer set to begin next Monday, police apparently are no nearer than ever to a solution of the killing of Rachel H. Taylor '43 last March 27.

The probe of the first killing will continue, while the commonwealth presses its prosecution of Richard Millinder, next door neighbor of the Bellefonte girl who was murdered six weeks after Rachel Taylor was killed.

A true bill against the confessed slayer was found by the Centre County grand jury on August 27 on the basis of evidence presented by District Attorney Musser Gettig.

State police have absolved Millinder of any connection with the first killing. Before his capture they had believed both murders were committed by the same person.

Rutgers University will celebrate the 175th anniversary of its founding in October.

Other new officers assigned here include Col. Edward D. Ardery, from the regular army, and Maj. Francis J. Hearty, assigned to duty from the retired list.

The reserve officers assigned here are all college graduates who took four-year ROTC courses. Besides Prosser, they include Capt. Arno Mowitz (University of Pennsylvania), Capt. LaVerne K. Shiffer (University of Pennsylvania), Lieut. Stephen B. Gillard (Penn State '35), Lieut. Patrick W. Rid-

deberger (Virginia Military Institute) and Lieut. James F. Grove (Penn State '35).

The military department has indicated that there will be no change in the ROTC course at the College from that taught last year. As in the past, all male students will be required to take two years of elementary ROTC and a two-year advanced course will be open to a limited number of students, 250 this year. Instruction will be the same as last year.

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