

# Cabinet Serves As Nucleus Of PSCA Organization

## PSCA Will Be Host To 16 Universities

Walter N. Shambach '42, M. Jean Seanor '42, and Harry W. Seamans, general secretary of PSCA, will be the highlighted Penn Staters at the University Conference for 16 universities and large colleges of the Middle Atlantic Region to be held here December 6, 7, 8. Shambach is chairman of the conference.

The conference, having as its theme "Christian Strategy for 1941," is sponsored by the Student Christian Movement of the Middle Atlantic Region and will present many outstanding guests.

Dr. Harold Bosley, minister of the Vernon Place Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., Dean Frank Wilson of Lincoln University, Edwin Espy, general secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, Fred Morrow, executive secretary of the National Federation of College and University Student Government Associations, Harold Viehman, associate secretary of Pitt YMCA, and Harry Seamans, general secretary of the PSCA, are the featured speakers.

Beginning with a dinner Friday evening, December 6, the program is planned to orient the attending students with world conditions, to plan creatively and constructively for the Student Christian Movement, within whatever limitations must be accepted in 1941, and to exchange specific "suggestions that work" for the most difficult spots faced.

The "fun" program, which is being carefully planned, will include such features as games, dancing, singing, a mountain cabin visit, and ice skating, if the weather permits.

## Fireside Sessions Better Relations

The bull session is often considered as an integral part of college life and it is a common occurrence among students themselves. The PSCA makes it possible to conduct these "talk-fests" with the faculty and administration through its fireside session program.

Last year 42 members of the faculty and administration spoke in approximately 150 informal gatherings, with about 3,550 total attendance. The aim of the PSCA fireside sessions is both to promote a spirit of friendliness between students and faculty and to stimulate creative thinking.

The sessions are conducted on a town-hall meeting pattern with the PSCA as the agency which correlates the program. Organization of the program will take place early in February, at which time a student-faculty board will be chosen.

The informal sessions, held at residences throughout the town, offer a varied program of interest to every student, since the topics are chosen by the students themselves. Marriage, social, vocational, personality, philosophical, religious, international, educational, and campus problems are aired. Speakers and their topics last year were Russell E. Clark, bur-sar, on "Student Fees from the College View," A. F. Davis, School of Physical Education and Athletics, on "Social Hygiene," J. Burn Helme, art department, on "Art and Society," W. M. Lep-ley, associate professor of psychology, on "Myths of Sex Differences," and many others. Every speaker talks at least twice during the six-week program.

Craig Earl, Jr., son of radio's Professor Quiz, is studying agriculture at Massachusetts State College.

## PSCA Rated Best In Nation By Dr. Miller and Dr. Eddy

"I have been talking the past three days under the sponsorship of the Penn State Christian Association, which I consider the best—one of the best at least—college Christian associations in America."

Dr. Sherwood Eddy, author and lecturer who has spoken in 50 countries to more college students than any other living man, made this statement before the State College Rotarians last April when the PSCA was celebrating its 65th birthday.

At its birthday dinner, a few days before, Dr. Francis P. Miller, former chairman of the World Student Christian Federation and national secretary of the student Y. M. C. A. organizations and now secretary of the National Policy Committee, said publicly to Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the college, that he considered the contributions made by the PSCA throughout these years to be the most significant made by a college association in the nation.

## CA Religion Week Approved For '42

"It gave religion a new status on this campus." This appraisal refers to the 'Religion in Life Week' held at the college two years ago through the cooperation of many campus and town organizations but mainly by the PSCA.

This new type of religious enterprise, held on campus for the first time, brought such celebrated speakers and religious leaders as Dr. John A. Maskay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary, Dr. Hornell Hart, department of sociology, Duke University, and Dr. Roswell P. Barnes, secretary of the Federal Council of Churches.

One hundred and sixty-five meetings and open discussions were held in last year's Religion in Life Week, which 9000 persons attended. During this week 30 well known leaders came to the College. Another similar week devoted to presenting to our campus a broad, non-denominational, many-sided approach to religion has already been approved for February, 1942.

The organizations which have approved this enterprise are the PSCA Board of Directors, the PSCA Cabinet, and the Student Religious Worker's Council. Several suggestions have been made that will make this 1942 Religion Week even more successful than the first, such as having the emphasis placed on informal discussions in natural groups rather than on mass meetings.

## Currier '42 Heads CA Central Group

Focal point of all PSCA activity is the Cabinet which directs the complicated association and is responsible for all its undertakings. It is the duty of the Cabinet to elect the officers of the organization and supervise the year's activities.

A. John Currier, Jr. '42, serves as president and directs the work of the other cabinet members. Sarah P. Searle '42 is the vice-president, Miriam T. Miller '41, secretary, and John T. Maletic '41, treasurer.

Members of the Cabinet are elected in the spring, either at the end of March or at the beginning of April by all active members of the association. Names of nominees are submitted by retiring members of the Cabinet.

Each member of this governing body is also a member of an administrative group known as a commission. There are five commissions, a publicity chairman, and one member-at-large.

Members of the Cabinet with their respective commissions are: Intercollegiate and World Fellowship, Walter N. Shambach '42 and Jean M. Seanor '42; Membership Groups, Robert T. Struck '42 and Jean E. Hershberger '43; Religious Emphasis, Cae E. Coleman '42 and Howard J. Mendenhall '42; Public Affairs, Jean E. Weaver '42; Campus Action, Andrew P. Szekely '43 and Judy Lougee '41.

Publicity for CA speakers, meetings, and worship services is in the hands of Mary Betty Anderson '42, publicity chairman. Arnold C. Laich '41, All-College President, is also a member of the Cabinet and cooperates with other commissions while acting as a link between the PSCA and All-College Cabinet.

Presidents of three organizations sponsored by the Cabinet are permitted to hold seats on the Cabinet but are not allowed the voting privilege. Herbert Kraybill '44, president of Freshman Council, and Walter C. York '42, president of the CA Seminar are two of the officials, while the Forty Forum chairman has not yet been elected.

## Booklets, Pamphlets Sold By Association Offices

On sale in the PSCA offices are selected pamphlets and booklets secured for student purchase. These publications deal chiefly with religious, economic, international, racial, political, and moral problems.

Written primarily for students, the pamphlets are moderate in price and may also be read in the library. The stock on sale includes the Hazen Books on Religion which are bound copies selling at fifty cents.

## Heads PSCA Cabinet



A. John Currier '42, president of the PSCA Cabinet, acts as the official student representative in all PSCA activities and enterprises. Currier also represents PSCA in the All-College Cabinet.

## Cabinet Members Active On Campus

Members of the PSCA Cabinet are well known on campus through widespread participation in activities and organizations outside of their capable work with the PSCA.

A. John Currier '42, president of the Cabinet Executive Committee, is also a member of the All-College Cabinet and Blue Key honorary society. Currier belongs to Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, played freshman basketball and lacrosse.

Sarah P. Searle '42, Cabinet vice-president, belongs to the college choir, Cwens, and Alpha Lambda Delta, a freshman women's scholastic honorary. She is a Kappa Alpha Theta.

Miriam T. Miller '41, secretary of the Cabinet, is a senior sponsor, secretary of Philotes, and a member of the Secretarial Club and the Student Housing Board.

John T. Maletic '41, Cabinet treasurer, is president of the student section of the American Society of Agronomy and also president of the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity.

Mary Jean Seanor '42, is on the staff of the PSCA Student Handbook and a member of Le Cercle Francais and Penn State Players. She is a Gamma Phi Beta.

Justine Lougee '41, belongs to the Outing and Ski Clubs, is a senior sponsor and a member of the Home Economics Executive Council. She is on the staff of the Student Handbook and Home Economics Handbook.

Andrew P. Szekely '43 is on the debating team, fencing squad, and Student Handbook staff, and sings in the Glee Club.

Arnold C. Laich '41, is really a BMOC. Laich is All-College President and on every executive board.

Jean F. Weaver '42, is a Cwen and belongs to Alpha Lambda Delta and Delta Gamma social sorority. Jean E. Hershberger '43, also is a Cwen and a member of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Mary Betty Anderson '42, is publicity chairman for the PSCA and a Kappa Alpha Theta.

Robert T. Struck '42, sings in the College choir and is a Pi Kappa Phi. Catherine E. Coleman '42, is a Delta Gamma and member of Alpha Lambda Delta.

J. Howard Mendenhall '42, is in the Ski Club and lives at Beaver House. Walter N. Shambach '42, chairman of Commission One, is a Phi Kappa Tau.

## PSCA Sponsors Annual Carol Sing

A tradition which is eagerly looked forward to every year by students and faculty members is the Christmas carol sing sponsored by the PSCA in cooperation with the music department.

The carols are sung from the terrace of Old Main a week before Christmas vacation by enthusiastic organized groups under the supervision of Richard W. Grant, head of the music department. Many students not actively participating in the singing and numerous townspeople turn out to witness this annual display of good feeling and spirit symbolized by Christmas.

Last year's Carol Sing was under the direction of Hummel Fishburn, assistant professor of music, who substituted for Professor Grant. Grant was on a leave of absence.

Included in the program were numbers by the chapel choir, men's glee club, and a brass quartet. A novelty reading of Christmas stories was presented by Raymond W. Tyson, professor of speech.

## Three Stooges Credit Debut To PSCA

Penn State's Three Stooges, those alleged masters of wit and comedy, confirmed today that they owe much of their success to the PSCA.

Last year prior to freshman week, they were known as Ned Startzel, George Parrish and Roy Rogers, three juniors who were adding a commendable punch to Thespian production. This year they are referred to on the campus and throughout Central Pennsylvania as the Three Stooges.

Their first public appearance came during a freshman mass meeting last year when they presented their well-known skit, "Working Our Way Through College." Then came a lull, when

the Stooges had little intention of again appearing on the stage.

It was near the middle of the semester before they got their next "break"—an invitation to appear on a program that the PSCA was going to present in the Little Theatre.

After that, appearances became more frequent, but it was still up to the PSCA to give the Stooges their next big boost in the form of a one-night contract (with pay) at the Kiwanis banquet in Bellefonte.

Outside engagements soon became more numerous as the Stooges began to fill bookings for appearances at Altoona, Bradford, Harrisburg and Sunbury, Startzel's home town, where they fea-

tured the program at the high school Junior-Senior prom.

With their reputation well established, the Stooges returned to the campus this year for Freshman week, when they completed numerous engagements on fraternity rushing programs.

"It was about this time—at the close of freshman week—that we felt we had reached the end of our rope as far as new numbers were concerned," Startzel commented. "But we got together, and with the help of Mike Brotman, our piano player and the only one in the outfit who knows any music, we worked out some new arrangements."