



Rutger's Prexy Will Speak At Commencement

Exercises To Be Held Thursday, December 17

President Robert C. Clothier of Rutgers University will be the main speaker at Commencement exercises to be held 8 p. m. Thursday, December 17, according to Wilmer E. Kentworthy, executive secretary to the President.

President Clothier received his education at Princeton University where he received a Litt. B. degree in 1908. He was later awarded honorary LL. D. degrees at Princeton, the University of Pittsburgh and Tusculum College in 1932, and at Dickinson College in 1933. In 1934 an honorary Litt. D. degree was conferred upon him at Temple University.

Rutger's president has had an interesting career. From 1910 to 1917 he was associated with the Curtis Publishing Company. During the World War I period he held the position of a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army and was a member of the commission on Classification of Personnel of the A. E. F.

From 1918 to 1923 President Clothier was vice-president of the Scott Company of Philadelphia. He later assumed the positions of assistant headmaster of the Haverford School from 1923 to 1929 and dean of men at the University of Pittsburgh from 1929 to 1932. In 1932, Clothier took office as President of Rutgers University, where he has remained since.

President Clothier is the author of a book entitled "Personnel Management," which was published in 1923.

Debaters Will Meet Lehigh Squad Tonight

Penn State varsity debaters will play host to the Lehigh squad when they meet for a discussion in 316 Sparks, 7:30 p. m. tonight. Topic of discussion will be "Federal Union." Karl H. Bergey '45, and Maurice Grossman '44, College debaters, will talk on the affirmative side of the question.

Members of the College squad will participate in the Lock Haven Discussion Festival Friday and Saturday.

Navy V-5 Examining Board To Visit Campus Friday

Students May Obtain Artist Course Tickets At Annual Pre-Sale

Tickets for the forthcoming Penn State Artists' Course will be available to students, faculty members, and residents of State College at the annual pre-sale to be held a week from tomorrow, Dr. Carl E. Marquardt, committee chairman, announced last night.

Purpose of the pre-sale, which is held annually, is to eliminate some of the inconvenience that subscribers have had to go through to get their tickets at the final sale. The pre-sale will not use the same system of numbers used at the final sales. Dr. Marquardt stated that the same problems would be created in conducting a pre-sale with a number system as have arisen in the final sale. The system will therefore be eliminated.

During the Spring semester the course will consist of three high quality performances, as yet unannounced. Prices of tickets will be \$5.00, \$4.40 and \$3.40 for a series of three. Concert dates will be Wednesday evening, February 3; Monday evening, February 22; and Monday evening, March 22.

Tickets may be obtained at the Athletic Association ticket windows in Old Main from 8 a. m. to noon and 1:30 to 5 p. m.

Blue Band, Orchestra, Glee Club Elect Officers

Recent elections to offices of the Blue Band, College Symphony Orchestra, and Glee Club include the following students as announced by Prof. Hummel Fishburn, acting head of the music department:

Blue Band—Martin H. Knutsen '43, president; Robert P. Kapp '44, vice-president; C. Robert Burge '44, manager; Elwood F. Oliver '44, secretary; and James A. Harter '44, librarian.

Symphony Orchestra—James A. Harter, president; Herman R. Weed '44, manager; Virginia E. Manley '44, secretary; and Doris Glahn '44, librarian.

Glee Club—William F. Christoffers '43, president; James A. Harter and Wesley N. Wagner '44, vice-presidents; John B. Nesbitt '46, secretary; John W. Struck '44, manager; and Paul J. Schaefer '44, librarian.

Navy Issues Call For Instructors

Instructors in history, mathematics, political science, and English are desired by the Office of Naval Officer Procurement to be assigned to duty at U. S. Naval Pre-Flight Schools.

In a letter to President Hetzel, the Navy Department said "While the importance of the work being done by colleges and universities and by instructors is fully understood, the Navy must have the services of some of these instructors."

"Representatives of the Bureau of Aeronautics from Washington will be at the Naval Officer Procurement Station in the Widener Building, Chestnut and Juniper streets, Philadelphia, December 7 and 8 for the purpose of interviewing applicants for this program."

Professor Galbraith, War Service Advisor, said that there is a very slight chance that the examining board may be induced to send representatives to the College.

Instructors interested are asked to contact Galbraith who can supply them with details of necessary qualifications.

General requirements are that the applicant must be disqualified for Naval Aviation Flight Training, and have no major physical disqualifications that would handicap him in instructional or administrative duties.

A college degree from a recognized college or university plus college teaching experience or its equivalent are required. Such experience should be in subject matter fields characteristic of liberal arts colleges. Graduate degrees are desirable.

Candidates should have participated in sports and exhibited an interest in athletics, since Pre-Flight instructors are expected to officiate in athletic contests.

Russian War Relief

Student division leaders of the Russian War Relief announce that pins will be sold at Student Union from 11 a. m. to noon and from 1:30 p. m. to 5 p. m.

Names of V- candidates who are planning to enlist in the Navy's Air Force when the examining board makes its visit to the College Friday morning, December 4, were released by Prof. Robert E. Galbraith, Faculty War Service Advisor, last night.

At the same time Galbraith advised students who have notified him of their intent to enlist in the Navy Air Corps to do so immediately.

"By notifying Galbraith, it will be possible to fill out several papers that would only have to be filled out at a later time anyway. It would help relieve much of the congestion and confusion that usually arises when men students are hastening to complete needed documentary work prior to being sworn in.

The importance of receiving draft board releases was also stressed, since they must be turned in before eligible candidates can be accepted by the Reserve Corps.

Examination and acceptance of students applying for V-5 program will begin in 305 Old Main, at 9 a. m. Friday morning by V-5 examiners headed by Lieut. Curtis.

McAleer Announces Program For Senior Graduation Activities

Baccalaureate services on December 13 will start off senior graduation activities, David J. McAleer, former senior class president, announced yesterday, stating that all graduating seniors are expected to attend the services.

Name of the speaker will be released later, and no caps and gowns will have to be worn for baccalaureate services. However, they will be necessary for commencement, McAleer said.

Senior grades will be due at the registrar's office at 12 noon the following day, December 14. The grades turned in at that time are not necessarily the final mark the students will receive, being used only to determine the awarding of diplomas, William S. Hoffman, registrar, declared. Seniors will continue to attend classes until commencement.

Senior class day exercises will take place in Schwab Auditorium Wednesday evening, December 16, at which time awards will be made to the seniors selected for senior honor men and women.

William Ivans, valedictorian, and Margaret K. Sherman, salutatorian, will deliver their addresses. Phi Mu Alpha, national music honorary, will furnish the music under the direction of Prof. Frank M. Gullo.

Activities will end Thursday night, December 17, when commencement will be held in Rec Hall at 8 p. m. Guest speaker for the exercises will be Robert C. Clothier, president of Rutgers University. President Hetzel will also deliver a speech and bestow the various degrees upon graduates. Certificates of completion will also be given to graduating advanced ROTC students.

No diplomas will be given to those who are not present at commencement.

College Will Not Lower Entrance Requirements

"The College will not lower its entrance requirements," William S. Hoffman, registrar, stated yesterday, disclosing plans for admitting incoming freshmen.

Despite the fact that some colleges are now accepting high school students in their junior and the first part of their senior year, the registrar said, Penn State will not lower its existing requirements.

Hoffman added that, according to College procedure in the past, any student who has completed three and a half years of high school and is eligible for graduation will be admitted.

Professor Edward J. Nichols Writes First Novel, 'Danger! Keep Out!' Moving Story Of Oil Industry

By M. JANE McCHESNEY

"Danger! Keep Out!" But don't take this seriously. On the contrary, it is an invitation to open your mind to a dynamic novel of the transition period in the oil refining industry.

Edward J. Nichols relaxed last night in his arm chair and discussed his first novel fluently and enthusiastically as he revealed a vital interest in the development of the oil industry.

At forty-two, this versatile professor has utilized observations gathered during seven years of work in a refinery in the Chicago oil district. Of "Danger! Keep Out!" the New York Times stated in their review Sunday, November 1: "The author has recreated a world little known to the general reader and has made this teeming world of fire, smoke, oil, hard work, and mechanical

ingenuity come alive with a variety of very real people."

Sinclair Lewis, who read the book recently, has this to say, "I don't know any other novel that gets so deeply into this new and battling way of living we call industrialism."

Mr. Nichols' chief characters are a veteran oil stillman who naturally resists changes that ultimately come; a still foreman who sees the prophetic handwriting on the wall and cooperates with the chemists; and lastly the chemist himself, who appreciates what the old timers have to contribute.

Although a State College resident for fifteen years, Nichols is qualified to understand the mental conflict presented in his novel because of personal experiences during the crucial period 1912-1922 which enabled him to visu-

alize the approaching need for college technicians and modern technology.

The most successful of Nichols' previous works was his chapter on Bix Beiderdecke in the book "Jazzmen."

It is of interest that an essential factor in the growth of aviation and the present war effort was the discovery of high-octane gasoline so capably discussed in "Danger! Keep Out!"

This moving story of industry, published by the Houghton Mifflin Company, will not be available until January due to a last-minute change in publishing schedules.

When asked about further publication, Nichols stated, "Anyone who has written one novel is completely lost and the public can be warned that he'll be back on their necks again if he gets the chance."

LATE NEWS

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA—Allied troops started an all-out attack against Tunis and Bizerte yesterday and broke through the Nazi mine fields all along the front.

When the German planes arrived the Allies had rendered Nazi airfields unserviceable. London reported that Allied troops had broken through to the Mediterranean coast completely severing Rommel's supply line.

MOSCOW—Soviet tanks, guns, and infantry smashed the Nazis on two fronts. The Russians pushed the Germans back in the vicinity of Rhex and Stalingrad. The Germans were unable to halt the Soviet advance as the Russian gunners shot down 50 German planes. German casualties were high.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—General MacArthur reported that four Jap destroyers were heading for the Jap-held port of Buna and that the Japs might attempt to land reinforcements. Allied bombers were active in blasting enemy positions throughout the Pacific war zone.

WASHINGTON—The Navy Department announced today that U. S. subs had sunk five enemy vessels and had also damaged one destroyer, a cargo ship, and a large merchant ship. Total tonnage of enemy vessels sunk amounted to 43,000 tons.