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Book Exchange To Function Again Next Semester

Will Open January 6, First Registration Day

Penn State's student Book Exchange will function again next semester, beginning on the first day of registration, Jan. 6, 1943, according to a statement from committee chairman Harry C. Coleman '44.

Room 9 Armory, where it was held at the beginning of the present semester.

Students will be able to sell and buy books at the exchange during the full week running from January 6 until January 13. Hours when the post will be open are from 1 to 4 p. m. on January 6 and from 9 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 4 p. m. every day thereafter, until the closing day.

Charges for buying or selling books at the exchange will be five cents for the sale of a book and five cents for the purchase of a book. The charge of handling books through the exchange is assessed in order to cover the expenses of running it.

Students wishing to do business through the stores should write the price they will accept for its sale on the inside cover and insert a piece of paper in the book, bearing their names, addresses, and telephone numbers.

Coleman requested that students use the facilities of the exchange as much as possible. He pointed out that large monetary savings could be made by carrying on business through the exchange.

A net deficit of \$5 was incurred by the last Book Exchange held at the start of this semester.

Members of the Book Exchange committee are requested to meet with Coleman in Room 315 Old Main, 4 p. m. today, to discuss further plans for the exchange.

LATE NEWS FLASHES!

WASHINGTON—Tank car shipments of gasoline to Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Western New York were halted today by the OPA. Railroad shipments to the East Coast hit a new low of 750,000 barrels a day. Tank cars will now be used to haul kerosene and fuel oil to the New England States to relieve the fuel shortage in that area.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Southwest Pacific—Desperate hand-to-hand fighting is raging along the Gona section in New Guinea. The Japs launched an attack which was beaten back all along the sector. The Australians moved down the coast to occupy Gona, and Allied artillery kept up a steady barrage on the Jap positions.

WASHINGTON—Leon Henderson resigned as head of civilian supply yesterday. He claimed that it was interfering with his work as head of the OPA.

Decision on Status of Reserves Expected Soon, President Hetzel Informs Penn State Students

"A decision is expected at any time concerning the future status of the enlisted reserve," President Hetzel commented last night after reading yesterday's Collegian article concerning Robert S. McNabb's Washington meetings with the nation's leading war heads Tuesday.

Advising the students "to hold steady," the president issued the following statement:

"I have been in communication with Washington today and I have been told that no decision has been reached as yet. However, the Manpower Commission has had several sessions at which the question of the manner in which colleges and universities would be used in training has been discussed. They were in session again today and a decision is expected at any time. When one is reached, we will

be advised immediately. Until a decision is arrived at, I advise students to hold steady."

In order to quell any such drastic action by over-anxious students such as leaving school immediately, McNabb last night released additional information obtained during his Washington conferences. He also stressed that he is not a "Mr. Kieran on the reserve situation" as many students think.

In line with President Hetzel's statement, according to his findings McNabb emphasized that no final action has yet been taken.

A strong debate is now in progress in the capitol between Army and educational leaders, McNabb said, and there is a possibility that a compromise will result.

In answer to the many inquiries made by ROTC students, McNabb said:

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Alumni in Drive For Membership

With the annual student-alumni membership campaign opening today, second semester sophomore students will receive letters from the Alumni Association explaining advantages and costs of membership, according to Edward K. Hibshman, executive secretary.

According to the student-alumni membership plan, which has been in operation for several years, the second semester sophomore will authorize the Bursar to include a \$2 assessment with his fees for the four semesters he will remain in college. This fee, a total of \$8, will entitle the student to membership for his junior and senior years and for a period of five years after graduation.

Two other plans for the annual membership with a fee of \$5 per year and the life membership established on a sliding scale. Fees for the latter are \$40 for the person who has been out of college for 1 to 19 years; \$30, from 20 to 39 years; 20 from 40 to 49 years. A graduate who has been out of college for more than 50 years receives honorary membership. For married persons, a joint membership can be obtained for 25 percent above the cost of a single one if both husband and wife are alumni.

When he joins the Association, the student or former student receives the Alumni News, published seven times a year; four issues of the Penn Stater each year, and the Football Letter during football season.

Thespians to Entertain At 'Hot Dog' Dance

Edwin J. Coles '46, impersonator, the Three Stooges, and other Thespian entertainers will be the highlights at the Senior "Hot Dog" Dance which will be given at the Armory from 9 to 12 p. m. Tuesday, December 15, Donald W. Davis, Jr., '43, chairman of the dance, announced last night.

The dance, which is open to all seniors who show matriculation cards at the door, will feature the music of the Campus Owls. Seniors may bring underclass dates. Free cokes and hot dogs will be served.

Elections for the "Senior Hot Dog" will also take place at the dance. Contenders for the title are Edward H. Blackburn, John D. O'Brien, Theodore E. Clauss, Robert R. Sieger, and Harold Snyder.

Carol Sing to Follow Class Day Exercises

The annual Christmas Carol Sing, sponsored by the PSCA, Music and Visual Education Department, and the Department of Grounds and Buildings, will be held on the Old Main terrace after the Class Day exercises, 8:30 p. m. Wednesday, December 16.

Dr. William S. Dye, Jr., head of the English literature department, will give a brief Christmas message. The College quartet, directed by Prof. Hummel Fishburn, music education, and the brass quartet will provide the music.

Joanne M. Palmer '43 is chairman of the Christmas sing. On the committee assisting Miss Palmer are Martha N. Albert '43, Jane E. Booth '43, Elizabeth E. Munroe '43, Martha J. Tobias '43, William C. Patterson, Jr. '44, Phyllis R. Watkins '44, Helen J. Mummert '45, Gerald L. Shannon '45, and B. Ruth Pielemeier '46.

Classes to Present 'April First' by Popp

"April First," an original one-act play by Kathryn M. Popp '43, will be third on a bill of three plays presented by classes in production, direction, stagecraft, and make-up in the Little Theater at 7:30 tonight, according to Frank S. Neusbaum, professor of dramatics.

Neusbaum considers Miss Popp's comedy on adolescence one of the best he has ever received in his playwrighting classes. The role of April will be played by M. Jane McChesney '45, and May, her sister, will be played by Anna M. Carpenter '44. Edward R. Clauss '43, Thespian mainstay who graduates in December, will enact the role of August, their father. Reta J. Jenkins '44 will play the role of a school teacher. The play is directed by Marian J. Reynolds '44.

Engineers' Ball Held In Rec Hall Tonight

Engineer's Ball, the last dance of the semester, will be held in Rec Hall from 9 until midnight today, according to co-chairmen Richard C. Allen '43 and Andrew C. Coyle '43.

Tickets, costing \$1.10, may be purchased from Engineering Student Council members. Music will be supplied by George Earnshaw and the Nittany Lions.

No decorations will be used, nor will corsages be "in order," the co-chairmen stated.

Air Corps Board Starts Tests Today

At 8:30 this morning, an Army Air Corps Enlisted Reserve examining board headed by Capt. H. S. Engart will undertake the job of administering mental and physical tests, filling out papers, and swearing in 246 men who applied for the ACER before the executive order closed all enlistments, December 5.

Written tests are to be given twice daily, 8:30 a. m. and 1 p. m. in the fourth floor, Old Main, headquarters of the examining board.

Applicants who will be too busy to take the mental exams at regularly scheduled hours but who are free this evening, should notify the Faculty Advisor on War Service, Professor Robert E. Galbraith, before 4 p. m. so that Engart can make arrangements for giving the test at 7 o'clock tonight.

Although the examining board promises to stay on campus until all of the candidates are sworn in, even if it necessitates remaining until the December 15 deadline for completing reserve enlistments, the FAWS advises applicants to complete their exams at once.

Have Papers In Order

In order to prevent confusion and unnecessary waste of time, Galbraith reminds the prospective air cadets to bring all necessary papers with them when they come before the examining board.

News from the Navy Department indicates that the Naval Reserve Corps will do all they can to complete enlistments before the December 15 closing date.

Navy Office Open Sunday

The Office of Naval Officer Procurement in the Widener Building, Philadelphia will be open Sunday, December 12 for enlistment in V-1 and V-7 of students who can produce a written letter from the FAWS showing that they made application prior to December 5.

Students may go at their own expense to complete their enlistment on Sunday, if they bring with them all necessary credentials. The office will open at 8:30 a. m. and students are advised to apply as early in the day as possible.

Men who had not completed their V-5 exams on Tuesday and who were advised to finish before the deadline include:

Lyle Ammerman, Robert L. Beacher, Robert C. Bolger, James (Continued on Page Three)

Trustees Approve Faculty Changes

Recent changes in the College faculty were approved at the Executive Committee meeting of the Board of Trustees in the President's office last Friday.

The committee voted to establish the position of assistant dean of the School of Engineering. This office will be filled by Royal N. Gerhardt, who was promoted from an associate professorship of architectural engineering to a full professorship.

Other new changes include the appointment of Carl R. Barnes as executive accountant, effective as of October 1; the advancement of Thomas S. Patterson from assistant professor of engineering mechanics to professor of engineering mechanics; Wallace E. White from professor of wood utilization to professor of wood technology.

Newell A. Norton from assistant professor of forest products to associate professor of wood utilization; Edwin J. Anderson was transferred from assistant professor of entomology to assistant professor of apiculture.

William L. Barr from instructor to assistant professor of agricultural economics; and Oscar L. Dustheimer from instructor to assistant professor of physics in undergraduate centers.

Leaves of absence were awarded to Sheldon C. Tanner, professor of economics and business, from January 1 to May 12, sabbatical; Arthur Rose, associate professor of chemistry, for work with the Sciota Ordnance Works at Marion, Ohio.

Roy E. Morgan, administrative (Continued on Page Four)

Neusbaum, Cameron To Produce Millay's 'The Murder Of Lidice'

On June 10, 1942, the German government formally announced the complete destruction of Lidice, Czechoslovakia.

A complete report following this statement declared every man in the town dead, 52 women murdered, the remainder of them in concentration camps, and children removed to "educational institutions."

Two days after the news of Lidice reached America, the Writers' War Board asked Edna St. Vincent Millay to write a poem lest Lidice be forgotten.

"The Murder of Lidice" was presented by NBC over a nationwide network on October 19 with Alexander Woolcott acting as master of ceremonies. Many famous personalities acted various character roles presented in the poem.

Now, "The Murder of Lidice" will be presented in State College in the White Hall Rhythm Room at 7:30 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. Monday by the concert dance group and the division of dramatics under the direction of Frank S. Neusbaum, professor of dramatics, and Miss Jesse Cameron, assistant professor of physical education.

Miss Millay's poem, commemorating the extermination of Lidice, was recently published in Life magazine and as a separate volume.

This production will be an innovation and an experiment in a special form of dramatic presentation. The poem will be read by dramatic students; at the same time, the events will be represented by dancers. The dancers are members of the concert dance group and the readers and technicians are production students in the division of dramatics.

Neusbaum received a letter from Miss Millay commending this special presentation of her poem. This is the first attempt to depict a Millay poem in such a manner.

According to Mr. Neusbaum, admission is free, but tickets must be procured at the dramatics office in Schwab auditorium which will be open from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. today, tomorrow, and Monday.

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