

Chapel

Sherwood Speaks

Rev. Lerman Sherwood will speak on "The Challenge of Tomorrow" at chapel services in Schwab Auditorium 11 a.m. Sunday. Special music will supplement the services.

Born without sight, Reverend Sherwood made a unique adjustment to life in spite of his handicap. He was graduated from the Maryland School for the blind and worked his way through high school. He attended Union College and was graduated with honors in the Class of 1934. He obtained his M.A. two years later from Albany State Teachers College.

Ordained as a Methodist minister, Dr. Sherwood is now pastor of the First Methodist Church, Rotterdam Junction, New York. For 14 years he has been active in youth work and travels extensively to fill lecture engagements.

Weather Tips Aid Warfare

The weatherman will really come into his own now that the war is over.

Dr. Hans H. Neuberger, chief of the meteorological division, expects thousands of service-trained meteorologists to stay in this field.

To relieve overworked, understaffed weather bureaus, the Penn State expert looks for many different kinds of industries to employ their own specialists after the war.

"Even in the field of medicine meteorology is useful," he claims, explaining "the weather affects the behavior of patients and the speed of their recovery from certain diseases."

Weather forecasts help the food, chemical, and pharmaceutical industries to plan shipment of their products so that spoilage will be minimized, he said, and power companies need readily available information on the frequency and intensity of storms, as well as their path of travel.

"Many a boy who went into this war from other fields, and who took advantage of specialized training, will be glad of it when postwar opportunities open up," Neuberger opined.

Democrats' Donkey Is Orphan

For decades now, credit for the creation of the famous Democratic donkey has been given to Thomas Nast, noted artist and cartoonist of the Civil War. But the real "inventor" of the prominent emblem is some unknown, passed by without fame during the reconstruction period after the Civil War, declared William Werner, professor of English literature.

"A leading American cartoonist, Thomas Nast drew almost exclusively for Harper's Weekly from the '60's to the '80's," said Professor Werner. "He was so influential that the defeat of Tammany Hall is often attributed to his cartoons. He originated the Tammany Hall tiger and the Republican elephant but did not create the Democratic donkey," he emphasized.

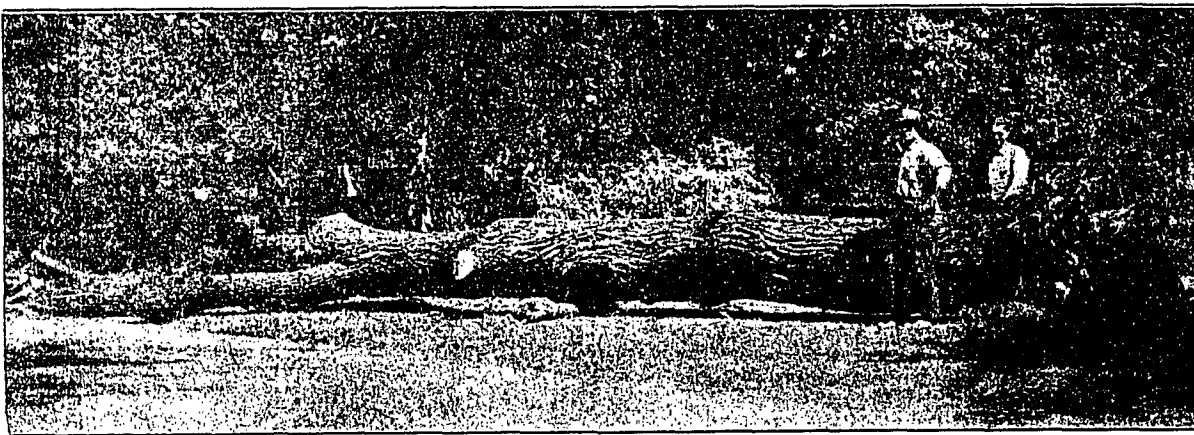
Professor Werner, who was recently given a grant-in-aid of research from the College to study early cartoons in America, explained that the famous Tammany tiger came from the emblem of a tiger on a fire company in New York with which boss Tweed was associated; the elephant came to represent the large size of the Republican party during this period.

ASTP Achievement Tests

National achievement tests for students enrolled at the College under the Army Specialized Training Program will be given today and tomorrow. Faculty members and administrators concerned with the AST program may inspect the test results in 4 Carnegie Hall after September 1.



Why Do Frosh 'Button' to Old Willow?



The Willow tree on the center Mall has a two word vocabulary, "Button, Frosh," and that's why freshmen air their craniums whenever they pass what is probably the most outstanding historic landmark on campus.

The story dates back some 87 years, but the tradition still carries on.

In 1858, Professor Waring, first head of the department of horticulture, planted the "Old Willow" that is said to have been a descendent of a willow tree that grew over the temporary grave of Napoleon at St. Helena. Sentiment was

very deep for the willow and many poetic expressions were written, one of which appears in the College La Vie of 1894.

In 1911, a cutting from the "Old Willow" was planted, and that is the tree that most frosh try to detour on their way down the Mall. A boulder-monument next to it marks the spot where the original willow grew.

It was also in 1858 that the construction of "Old Main" was first started and Penn State was born. In those days "Old Main" housed all classrooms and administration offices and was "The College."

Dr. Ritenour Announces Annual Patient Report

According to the annual report of the dispensary and infirmary, from July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945, the total number of patients in the Dispensary was 20,385. The infirmary total amounted to 738 patients.

Among the illnesses treated were 20 neuropsychiatric cases, 28 fractures, 48 sinus cases, 1,280 upper respiratory diseases and 61 cases of Vincent's infection.

The Dispensary granted 767 sport permits to men and 282 to women. Other permits given number 5,729.

Sick bay for the Navy V-12 totaled 3,445 and sick call for the ASTP amounted to 3,293.

In the outpatient department, 1,698 new cases were treated, and 1,741 repeat cases totalling 5,058.

The Infirmary had 2,673 bed days, the average length of day per patient being 3.4 days, and 7.1 patients per day. There were 428 excuses issued for 4,918 hours.

Among the illnesses treated were 8 cases of acute appendicitis, 61 cases of influenza, 11 cases of measles, 5 cases of pneumonia, 39 cases of tonsillitis and 11 additional fractures.

Senate Committee

(Continued from page one) an additional 14 elective credits which are available to students in advance ROTC training.

The Committee on Academic Standards also provided for the conferring of the bachelor's degree without curricular designation. This will mean that work achieved at the College can be augmented by comparatively unrelated work from other institutions and accepted in total or in part by the college examiner toward the degree.

'Ah Men!' Shouted Coeds As War Came To An End

The whistle blew and the bells in Old Main pealed. It was here—the hour everyone had been waiting for. Committee meetings broke up in a flash, dormitories resounded with hysterical screams and then emptied out, the Corner Room hot dogs deserted their den, and storekeepers hurriedly closed up shop.

"The war's over!" It was unbelievable but true, and all of State College was out to celebrate. A huge mob formed at the corner of College avenue and Allen street 'til it began to resemble Times Square on New Year's Eve.

Everyone was there—professors, townspeople, students, ASTP's, and V-12er's. And everyone was shouting for all they were worth, trying to make themselves heard above the steady blow of the persistent whistle.

Fire engines whizzed by, packed to capacity with cheering loads, but always willing to let one more passenger on. One onlooker was either being funny or dumb when he asked, "Say, where's the fire?"

The street became jammed and soon it just looked like a mass of heads. The joy was unrestrained and the noise was too, for that matter—horns, sirens, shrieks, and whistles blared throughout the town.

With President Hetzel's announcement that there would be no classes Wednesday and Thursday, the excitement reached its peak. Parades wound their way through the streets and confetti floated down from the windows in clusters. It was an unforgettable sight!

Soon music floated out from the corner loudspeaker and hilarious

dancing began on the streets. Everyone danced, whether they were old or young, and some of them sang to the tune of an old upright piano carried out on to the sidewalk.

"No more cigarette shortage!" "All the gas we want!" Sentiment like that could be heard above the uproar, hiding the deeper feeling of "no more useless death." And then too, "victorious female voices happily shouted one word: "Men!"

Peace had come to State College and it was a wonderful thing.

Freshman Test Results

Students who wish to have the reading and spelling results of their freshman test interpreted should make appointments at the Reading Clinic, 8 Burrows, as soon as possible. This clinic's facilities are also available to students who are having difficulties with their studies.

Placement

JPA Jobs Open

George N. P. Leetch, director of the College Placement Service, has announced that there is an excellent opportunity in government service open to college graduates from almost any curriculum through the Junior Professional Assistant (JPA) classification of Civil Service.

Students interested in knowing more about these opportunities may obtain information from their school placement officer; the College Placement Service, 204 Old Main; or the local post office, said Mr. Leetch.

Application should be made as soon as possible in order that examinations may be taken before leaving the College.

Enter, Exit Via The Registrar

When Millie and Willie start to college, their first contacts are made through the Registrar's office. Endurance promises acceptance, and so after writing volumes on forms, Millie and Willie are handed a matriculation card.

Proving that students recently lack something is the fact that the identification cards were not used until 1938. Then to prove that they have something, photographs were added in the summer of 1942.

Now that Millie and Willie are armed to participate in college life, they are not forgotten, by those who gave them their start. At the end of every semester the recorders in the Registrar's office place their grades and list their honoraries on tracings made of fine linen that has been treated.

Before 1928, when numbers from 0 to 100 were used, grades were recorded on cardboard squares. With the coming of the point grading system, came the use of linen tracings from which photostatic copies can be made.

To go on with Millie and Willie—After troubling the recorders for eight or more semesters, Millie and Willie say good bye to the College through the same office in which they were welcomed when they turn in dummy diplomas after graduation and receive the real sheep's skin.

ISC Sponsors Semi-Formal

Independent Student Council announced this week that they will sponsor a semi-formal dance in Recreation Hall September 29. Full details will be available in the near future. They plan to engage an out of town orchestra for the occasion.

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