

Deans Describe Postwar Prospects of College

Bright Ag Future

The post war world promises a bigger and better Agriculture School, according to Dean Stevenson Fletcher, bigger and better in both physical and scholastic aspects.



STEVENSON FLETCHER

Additional facilities will be provided as soon as possible. New buildings are urgently needed to (Continued on page seven)

Chem School Future

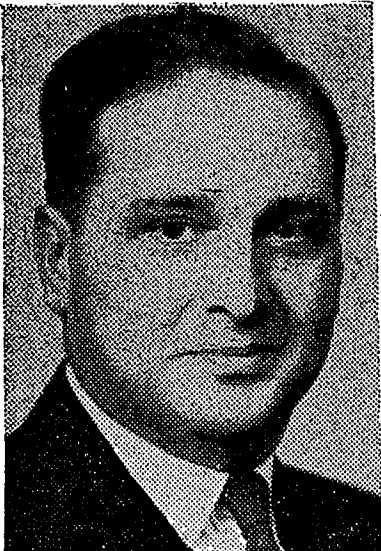


FRANK C. WHITMORE

"There is little probability of any big changes because of returning servicemen," Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics, said this when asked what changes the post-war era will bring to the College.

"Our policy is to treat each veteran as an individual and not as belonging to a class or group. In that way we can help them best."

LA Plans For Veterans



CHARLES C. WAGNER

"The Liberal Arts curriculum will be revised to help the returning servicemen," Charles C. Wagner, acting dean of the Liberal Arts School, said this when asked what changes he thought the post-war era will bring to the College.

Dean Wagner said that nothing definite has been decided about the new semester arrangements. However, he feels that there will be some summer courses because the returning students are anxious to complete their college education in the minimum amount of time.

End Of War Not To Affect College Seriously This Fall, Says President Hetzel

"I don't believe that the close of the Japanese war will seriously affect the College this fall," Prexy Hetzel said in an interview this week.

"This statement, however, would not be true if Congress should repeal the Selective Service Act or amend it in such manner as to exempt the boys in the 18 and 19 year age brackets," he continued.

When asked about the effect upon the student enrollment, the Prexy said that there is every indication that there will be a material increase in the number of veterans who will enter school this fall. The best estimate available at the present time is that there will be in the neighborhood of 700 ex-servicemen as compared with 180 enrolled now.

The number of men coming from high schools in November will be somewhat larger than anticipated but will not represent a material increase unless the changes mentioned are made in the Selective Service Act.

"There will come a time, however, when the College will experience the return of still larger numbers of veterans and at the same time the normal flow of boys



RALPH D. HETZEL

from the secondary schools," the President said. "When this comes we will face a serious problem."

In anticipation of this crisis, the College is now working on plans and specifications for the erection of two coed dormitories to release Tri-Dorms, formerly men's buildings, and downtown

boarding houses as living facilities for the expected men students. The new buildings will house approximately 500 women each and in all probability work will be begun before winter sets in, according to the President.

As the enrollment increases the faculty will be increased by returning servicemen who have had leaves of absence and the employment of new members. Within about two years, allocations from the State government are expected for the erection of new academic buildings.

"No, it is not definite that the College will resume a two-semester basis in 1946," Dr. Hetzel stated.

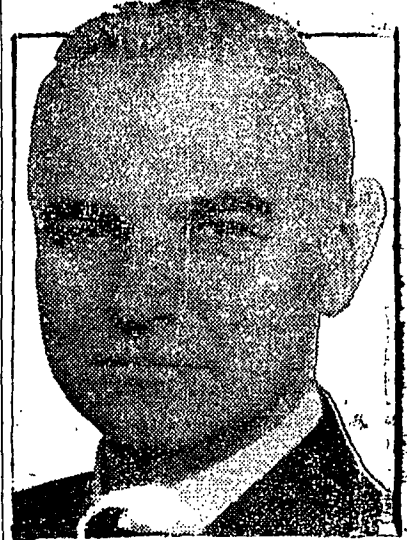
It depends largely upon the desire of returning servicemen and boys under the draft age to rush through their education as to whether or not the accelerated program will be continued, he said.

"Activities such as fraternities, Froth, musical organizations, and sports will not resume their old status immediately," the Prexy predicted, "but will gradually come into their own again as more and more boys enroll from the secondary schools."

Phys Ed Plans

"It is difficult to make any statement now, as to what changes will take place in the School of Physical Education since the war has ended," says Dean Carl Schott.

"Since the ASTP will soon be moving out, it will cut down the special training in physical education. If the Navy continues to



CARL P. SCHOTT

hold the V-12 to war time restrictions, their training will go on as before. But if they are returned to civilian life, a naval ROTC will be established and remain during peacetime.

"Beginning in November, we expect to do more for the adapted program. As returning veterans are not required to take physical education if they have had their full time of basic training, the number of former G. I.s taking physical education is slight.

"There have been no plans made for extension of equipment with the exceptions of a few replacements in the obstacle course. The same program will be followed as previously.

"Many letters have been received by men and women, as far away as Louisiana and Colorado, asking about the graduate schools in physical education. Of course, we will know nothing definite until the future."

Ed Service To Increase



MARION TRABUE

Dean Marion Trabue of the School of Education believes that the war's end will mean an opportunity for the College to make tremendous improvements in the service it is rendering to the state and to its students.

"We will have an opportunity," Dean Trabue said, "to step out and do things we couldn't do during the war, particularly service to institutions and agencies of Pennsylvania, helping them to improve their efficiency and their products. Penn State will again have an opportunity to become a great state university."

MI Looks Ahead

All of the students who were taken into the armed forces look forward to getting back to college at the earliest opportunity to complete their college courses or take refresher work, declared Edward Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries.

"We hope to adjust our curricula to provide a chance for Navy and Army ROTC students to enroll in the School of Mineral Industries," stated Dean Steidle. "We expect a



EDWARD STEIDLE

marked increase in both undergraduate and graduate enrollment, including foreign students and others who are taking courses leading to advanced degrees."

The School of Mineral Industries is concerned with raw materials of industry, he explained. Men (Continued on page seven)



HARRY P. HAMMOND, dean of the School of Engineering, who has announced that the school will have an unprecedented high enrollment next semester. This group is expected to be composed largely of ex-servicemen attending the College under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

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