

### Guerrant to Preside At Chemistry Meeting

Dr. N. B. Guerrant will act as chairman of the Agricultural Chemistry and Food Division at a meeting of the American Chemical Society in Atlantic City this week. Dr. R. A. Dutcher is a councillor representing the Central Pennsylvania Section of the American Chemical Society. Also attending the meeting are Dr. C. O. Jenson and Dr. D. E. H. Frear. All are of the department of agricultural and biological chemistry at the College.

### Flags From All Americas To Wave For Celebration

Celebrating its fourth annual Pan-American Day, the College is uniting in spirit with hundreds of festive groups in every republic of the western hemisphere. Every year since 1931, the flag of each country has been raised in salute to all the other nations at official and unofficial gatherings throughout the continent.

The idea of fixing a special date to be observed by all the countries grew out of a suggestion by the governing board of the Pan-American Union. The board proposed that American nations observe the national holiday of each sister republic. The committee appointed to study the proposal realized how impractical it would be to add so many holidays to the national calendars and therefore recommended that a single date be designated, to be known as Pan-American Day.

The holiday would be a commemorated symbol of the sovereignty of the American nations and of their voluntary union in one continental community. The most appropriate date seemed to be that on which such a union took concrete form, namely April 14, when the First International Conference of American States adopted, in 1890, the resolutions creating the organization now known as the Pan-American Union.

The recommendation that April 14 be adopted as Pan-American Day was transmitted to the American governments in 1930, and by the next year all of them had proclaimed it and called upon the people to celebrate the occasion. Every year schools have made the observance of the Day a special feature of their programs, and civic, cultural, and commercial organizations have increasingly stressed the relations between the republics of this hemisphere. The festive side of the occasion, as expressed in concerts, pageants, dances and other community and school activities, has never been neglected.

This purely American Day is the only holiday set apart by the governments of a whole continent to symbolize their common bonds and their common aspirations for a peaceful world. The official favor accorded Pan-American Day, the publicity given it by the press, and its general observance by schools throughout the Americas, provide ideal channels by which its message of continental solidarity is conveyed to young and old. It has been a powerful agent, therefore, in bringing about a closer understanding among the peoples of America.

Friendship is the keynote of Pan-American Day. The cooperation that has been increasingly evident among the American peoples was founded in a spirit of brotherhood. This truth was brought out by President Roosevelt on April 14, 1933, in his first address at the Pan-American Union; "There is inspiration in the thought that on this day the attention of the citizens of the twenty-one republics of America is focused on the common ties—historical, cultural, economic, and social—which bind them together."

### Back To Slide Rules For Former Officer, Now Engineering Prof.

Engineering professors aren't made of sliderules, plumb bobs, and blueprints.

Take, for instance, Dr. Alexander H. Zerban, professor of mechanical engineering. He is now busy in his office at 209 Main Engineering behind a desk piled high with papers and mathematical tabulations.

And perhaps you recall a brief episode from a Pacific war battle which was pictured in an issue of Life magazine and shown in news reels in State College: A "Hellcat" crash-landed onto the deck of the famed aircraft carrier "Cowpens." The pilot, unaware that his plane was afire, was rescued in a matter of seconds.

The friendly professor behind the papers and the desk, serving as Commander Zerban, saw the that incident and hundreds of others. He was aboard the Cowpens as it steamed a total of 176,000 sea miles (the equivalent to eight times around the world) through most of the major battles of the Pacific war.

The carrier's feats were a credit to the town for which it was named—Cowpens, S. C., scene of a decisive Revolutionary War battle. The action pictures appearing in magazines and newsreels augmented its fame.

The burning plane episode took place in the Gilbert Islands campaign. Zerban explained how the action shots happened to be taken. The Navy had a photographer's mate standing by taking pictures of the planes' landings and take-offs from the carrier to be used for analyzing accidents. Thus many disasters came into camera range. The Navy released portions of film to the newsmen. Zerban was awarded the Bronze Star medal with a citation signed by Vice Admiral M. A. "Pete" Mitscher.

He was aboard the Cowpens until last June. Detached then, he aided in fitting out the new cruiser USS Oregon City. Zerban was detached from the Oregon City February 26. March 2 he was back at his work at the College.

### CAMPUS CALENDAR

#### TODAY

Collegian Junior and Senior Board meeting, 9 Carnegie Hall, 4:30 p.m.  
Mortar Board meeting, WSGA Room, White Hall, 5 p.m.  
Froth candidate meeting, 305 Old Main, 5 p.m.  
Sabbath Eve Services, Hillel Foundation, 7:30 p.m.  
"Spring Nocturne" Dance, Recreation Hall, Elliot Lawrence and his orchestra, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

#### TOMORROW

Theta Sigma Phi pledging, Theta house, 11 a.m.  
"Little Exposition," live stock show, Stock Pavilion, 1 p.m.  
Lacrosse game, Penn State vs. Army, New Beaver Field, 2 p.m.  
Student Handbook Editors' meeting, 304 Old Main, 2 p.m.  
International Cabin Party, leaves Old Main at 2 p.m.

#### SUNDAY

Chapel, Annual Easter Music service, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a.m.  
Russian Club meeting, Hugh Beaver Room, Old Main, 7 p.m.  
Pan-American Day celebration, steps of Old Main, 3 p.m.

#### MONDAY

Second Semester Club, 304 Old Main, 7 p.m.  
Orchestra Rehearsal, 117 Carnegie Hall, 7 p.m.  
Cwens meeting, WSGA Room, White Hall, 8:30 p.m.  
ISC meeting, Penn State Club Room, Old Main, 8:15 p.m.  
Phi Mu Alpha, 100 Carnegie Hall, 8:30 p.m.  
Gamma Pi Epsilon, 5 Main Library, 7:45 p.m.

### Hatmen Must Wear Hats Mondays, Wednesdays

Parmi Nous, upperclassmen's honorary, at a recent meeting established a ruling that all members must wear their hats Mondays and Wednesdays. Those not wearing their hats on the appointed days may be fined by any member seeing them.

This requirement is to encourage the hatmen to wear their hats more frequently and become better known on campus, according to Vaughn Stapleton, Parmi Nous president.

William Dietrich was elected secretary-treasurer at this meeting.

### Prof. A.O. Rasmussen

extension specialist in ornamental horticulture at the College, was elected temporary chairman of the National Association of Extension Specialists in Horticulture at the organization meeting held in Washington, D. C. on March 27. J. O. Dutt, extension specialist in vegetable gardening was named corresponding secretary.



### DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NURSING DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

• Applications are now being considered for the next class which will be admitted October 3, 1946. Only one class is enrolled each year.

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