

College Reports Progress Of Building Construction

The Foods Building on west campus is 80 per cent complete at the present time and should be ready for occupancy and operational purposes by March 1, according to the department of physical plant.

The building will handle all College food service, including storage, preparation, and delivery to the campus dining halls. It will be equipped with a bakery, butcher shop, refrigerated rooms, storage space and a dietetic laboratory. It will be furnished with a freight siding and truck delivery platform.

According to the contracts, the Mineral Science and Plant Industries buildings, which are at present 35 per cent complete, and the Classroom building, now 33 per cent complete, are to be finished by May. However, it is very probable that the State will be asked for an extension of time until July 1, although the request has not yet been submitted and such a report is not official.

Water Tunnel
The Water Tunnel Building, now 20 per cent complete, is scheduled for completion by January 1, 1950. Structural steel is now arriving for the tunnel tube, which is to be immediately assembled after the last shipment has arrived. The date set for starting the tube assembly is February 1, after which the erection of steel framework for the building can be started.

Excavations for the men's dormitories is 50 per cent complete and at present employees are starting the underground groting on Unit Number 3. The dormitories are hoped to be completed for occupancy by the fall of 1950.

It is expected that bricklayers on the Mineral Science and Plant Industries buildings will be working above the third floor by the end of the month, and that bricklayers on the Classroom Building will be above the second floor by the same time.

Delays
Causes of delay, besides the weather, have been the shortages of labor and material. It has been very difficult to obtain all types of steel, reinforcement pipe, cement, and window-frames.

Rain and snow during November allowed excavators for the dormitories to work only seven days, while in December the working days were limited to slightly more than two weeks.

It is estimated that there are between 200 and 250 men working on the various projects at all times. These figures fluctuate according to the types of workmen employed on the various projects at any specific time.

Contractors
College contractors are erecting the Foods Building and digging the excavations and erecting foundations for the dormitories. H. E. Baton, Philadelphia, is general contractor for the Water Tunnel and Mineral Science buildings; S. H. Evert, Bloomsburg, for the Classroom Building; and Moyer Brothers, Altoona, for the Plant Industries Building.

Contracts for the mechanical tradesmen working on the Plant Industries, Mineral Science, and Classroom buildings are divided into four sections: heating, Harry Dougherty and Son, Inc., Freeport; plumbing, Hoffman and Wolfe, Philadelphia; electrical, Industrial Electric, Inc., Elizabeth, N. J.; and elevators, General Elevator.

IRC Elects Officers For Spring Semester

The International Relations Club elected officers for the spring semester at its regular Wednesday night meeting. The officers elected are Stephen G. Periales, president; Michael R. Deckman, vice-president; and Phyllis A. Kistler, secretary-treasurer.

The meetings, which are held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in 8 Sparks, are open to everyone.

Players Present

'All My Sons'

2 REMAINING DAYS
FRI. and SAT.

Schwab Auditorium

Tickets on sale Student
Union until 7:45 p.m.
each day.

NSA Publishes SG Booklet

A new booklet on student government procedures will soon be published by the Student Life Commission of NSA. Facts from surveys and questionnaires are now being compiled under the direction of NSA national vice-president Dick Heggie.

The booklet, which will be ready for distribution in early spring, will be an extension and expansion of "Student Government and Leadership in Higher Education" published early this year.

Included in the new booklet will be chapters on student government administration and responsibility, financial structure, student judiciary, the orientation and adjustment of the student to his campus environment, and student-faculty relationships.

The individual chapters will be written by different students, each of whom possesses an extensive background in student government activities. Their conclusions, however, will be based on a sampling of several institutions with a comprehensive approach to extra-curricular life.

Dixieland, Jazz Replaces Bach In Carnegie

No, you weren't hearing things when you passed the music appreciation room Wednesday, although it might have been Beethoven flipping over in his grave.

The guys and gals accustomed to struggling through the "three B's" all semester, were being given a musical treat. "Shoelless Lou" Levi, of Paradise Cafe fame, dropped in with a few Dixieland and jazz records, and kept heads nodding and feet tapping for fifty entertaining minutes.

Imagine the strains of "Musk Rat Ramble," Louis Armstrong's "Shine," and "Nobody's Sweetheart" issuing forth from dignified Carnegie Hall. One old timer featured Bix Beiderbecke and "Der Bingle" himself on "Mississippi Mud."

Between discs, Lou commented on the birth of jazz, blues and original Dixieland. The "program" closed with the spinning of "Gimme a Pigfoot."
Shades of Johann Bach!

Live Sound Effects Punctuate Class Discussion

Burke M. Hermann, professor of American history, opened his History 20 class in Sparks Building with a routine question:

"Where did I leave off last time?"

"Fort Sumpter," the class answered. Whereupon Professor Hermann began the discussion:

"Well, in 1861 Fort Sumpter was . . ."

At that point bedlam let loose as a series of ear-splitting dynamite blasts jarred the windows and stopped the professor short. Could the South be opening fire on the Fort?

After a tense moment the class and instructor burst into laughter as the realization dawned that nearby campus construction was punctuating Professor Hermann's words in a booming effort to be cooperative.

PSC Elects New Officers

Elections, planning for a coming talent show, and the announcement of a bowling party comprised the agenda of a Penn State Club meeting in 321 Old Main at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

In selecting men to fill office vacancies for the second semester, the club elected Frederick Peruzzi vice-president, Joseph Hudak publicity chairman, and James Richards parliamentarian, with other officers remaining in the posts allotted them in the fall.

In announcing February 6 as the audition date for the annual PSC talent show, Ernest Sladies, club president, explained that "there is a wealth of specialized talent on campus which of necessity cannot be brought to the public through regular College shows and activities. For this reason, we urge all those who do specialty acts, such as singing, dancing, playing of instruments, etc., to take part in the show and compete for prizes which are to be offered."

Applications blanks may be obtained at the Student Union desk and should be turned in there. Though no deadline for applications has been set, it will be sometime early in the second semester.

Members of the club and their guests are invited to attend a bowling party tonight at the Dux alleys. Those planning to attend the affair, scheduled to begin at 7 p.m., are asked to sign up in the club room in order that an adequate number of alleys may be reserved. Half of the cost to members will be borne by the club treasury.

Ag Students Dissatisfied With Courses, Poll Shows

According to a recent independent poll by Jack Styer of Ag Hill students, 63% were dissatisfied with at least part of their required courses and would recommend altering the list.

"This course is too difficult for my needs" was the loudest comment, and it seemed to be directed primarily at the courses Ag students must take in the Chem-Physics School. One Ag student in

five expressed the opinion that Chem 1 was an unnecessary burden and many suggested substituting Chem 3.

Foresters Complain

Digging deeper, Styer found that several foresters complained about physics requirements, and two ag courses were labeled "too difficult." These two courses were Bacteriology 1 and Ag Bio-Chem 2A.

Conversely, Styer found that several courses were considered "too easy" or of "too little value." Econ 14 was outstanding in this department, mentioned by one out of every seven students interviewed as "uninformative, impractical, and poorly presented." The fundamental courses of two courses in the Ag School fell into this category. Hort students generally disapproved of the required 15 English credits.

No Electives

Furthermore, Styer discovered that a prevalent lament was, "We are so busy taking the required courses which we are lucky enough to be able to schedule, that we have no opportunity to elect courses to suit our personal desires."

Approval was voiced of the plan whereby a choice among several courses in a given field of study could be permitted, rather than a stipulated requirement of a specific course.

Styer, seeking an overall picture, found that Ag Ed and Ag Ed students were less active critics due to the broad nature of the courses required and many electives allowed them.

In the Agronomy Department, Styer found one ray of hope, for the students considered handing that department orchids for their curriculum.

New Course

Botany 425, "The Anatomy and Morphology of Crop Plants," is being offered for the first time in the spring semester by the botany department.

The three credit course will be taught by Dr. A. H. Grove, and is especially recommended to students majoring in botany, agronomy, and horticulture.

partment. 6:20 p.m.—Westminster Fellowship. Dr. William M. Smith, Jr. will speak on "Today's Courtships and Tomorrow's Marriages."

Church Calendar

University Baptist

9:40 a.m.—Student Sunday School class taught by Rev. Robert Eads.

10:45 a.m.—Morning worship service.

5 p.m.—Roger Williams Fellowship. Two representatives from each of the church groups will be supper guests. A panel discussion on "Human Rights" will follow the supper.

A Cabinet luncheon of the Roger Williams Fellowship will be held at the Ead's home at 12 noon tomorrow.

Faith Evangelical and Reformed

Square dance in social room of church at 8:30 p.m. tonight.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. — Sunday School. 10:45 a.m. — Holy Communion Service. 7:45 a.m. — Holy Communion Service.

Students attending either of the two communion services will have their communion cards forwarded for records to their home church.

St. John's Evangelical United Brethren

9:30 a.m. — Morning worship with sermon by Rev. Harry M. Buck, Jr. on the theme "What a Wonderful Change."

10:20 a.m.—Church School with special class for students taught by the pastor.

A nursery for small children is conducted during morning service hours.

Vesper service omitted this week because of an area meeting in Bellefonte.

Grace Lutheran

Preparatory service for Sunday's Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m. today.

Sunday—8 a.m., 10 a.m., 7:30 p.m.—Communion Services.

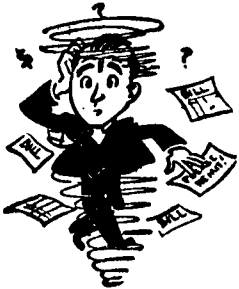
9:30 a.m. — Student Bible Class.

The Lutheran Student Association will meet at the church at 6:20 p.m. and leave together for the University Baptist Church where they will participate in the vesper service.

Westminster Foundation

Saturday 2 p.m.—Work party.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.—Student de-



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