

'Daddy' Groff Continues Lingnan Work in Florida

First it was Penn State in China, now it's Penn State in Florida! Remember "Daddy" Groff who used to head the faculty at Lingnan University? Well, he's back in the states, in Florida where he has acquired a six-acre tract of pine hammock. There "Daddy" is developing a small garden orchard and nursery from which to send seeds and plants to China, and to test Chinese species on a small scale.

The Lingnan campus at Canton is situated within a north range sub-tropical belt similar to that of southern Florida. Both areas are subject to hot, moist, hurricane-swept summers, and to dry, cool winters with periodic low temperatures near freezing.

The southern Asiatic and American climatic areas are therefore unique fields for the scientific and practical plantsman. Plants from both tropical and temperate areas mingle.

Still in its infancy, this system of plant exchange has seen the dasheen, the Chinese water chestnut, the camellia and Chinese tea rose, the sweet orange and the pummelo (allied to the grapefruit), the kumquat, the Cavendish banana, and "tung" or wood oil tree important in paint manufacture come to this hemisphere from South China.

Papaya, guava, tomato and pepper, sweet potatoes, and peanuts have been successfully introduced to South China.

Not content to stop with student exchange, Penn State has begun experimenting in plant exchange!

Dr. Snyder Visits Southern Colleges

During the period between semesters Dr. William U. Snyder, Associate Professor of Psychology spent five days in Georgia visiting three universities as a "Visiting Scholar" to discuss student counseling procedures with the respective departments of psychology in the schools. The schools are, The University of Georgia, Georgia School of Technology and Emory University.

Dr. Snyder's visits at these schools consisted of informal seminars with the faculty members and graduate students and several more formal discussions on recent methods and recent research in counseling.

Friends Offer Summer Work

James E. Bristol, field secretary for college work under the American Friends Service Committee, will be on campus in conjunction with the Penn State Christian Association from Monday through Wednesday to hold personal interviews with students interested in summer projects. Anyone interested in talking with Mr. Bristol is asked to make an appointment with Marge Allen at the CA office.

While he is here, Mr. Bristol will speak to Christian Association groups in 304 Old Main at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday. His topics will be "Laying foundations of peace" and "Invest your summer profitably." Foreign students who might be interested, are invited to attend the special international seminars which have been planned.

In 1943, James Bristol became executive secretary of the Philadelphia Fellowship of Reconciliation and the Philadelphia Council for Conscientious Objectors. Until the fall of 1946 he continued in this capacity and in addition assumed the duties of Middle Atlantic secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation and executive secretary of the Greater Philadelphia Committee Against Peace-time Conscription. For a short time Mr. Bristol was director of the National Council Against Conscription.

In 1947 he joined the staff of the American Friends Service Committee, visiting colleges and universities in the interests of the International student program. Mr. Bristol has served as director of AFSC International Service Seminars in this country during the past two summers. These seminars are composed of approxi-

Army Offers Commissions

Because of the critical shortage of officers in the armed forces, college graduates who served as commissioned officers in any of the Armed Forces during World War II may apply for Regular Army Commissions as second lieutenants, Col. Ben H. Chastaine, professor of military science and tactics at the College, said today.

Seniors who graduate in June, as well as those receiving degrees now or in the past, are eligible under the program.

The plan, Colonel Chastaine explained, calls for appointment of some 400 to 600 second lieutenants in two major increments in March and in August, 1949. Such Regular Army appointments will be in addition to those offered distinguished graduates of senior division ROTC units, successful competitive tour candidates, and critically needed specialists.

Eligibility requirements include at least one year of honorable active, commissioned, service during the war; a degree from an accredited college or university; and high moral character. Applicants also must be between the ages of 21 and 27, although certain exceptions on the maximum age may be waived and must be physically qualified.

Colonel Chastaine said that application forms are available at his office in Room 101, Carnegie Hall, or may be procured at other Army installations, recruiting offices, or reserve headquarters offices. They must be submitted prior to April 30.

Navy Plane Overdue

ALAMEDA, CAL. — A Navy plane carrying five civilian scientists and two crewmen is overdue on a flight from Inyokern. A Navy spokesman said the scientists are employees at the naval ordnance test station at the point of departure.

mately 35 students, representing different countries, racial groups, and religious faiths.

Mr. Bristol has been very active in the area of race relations. He has been a member of NAACP, and has served on the steering committee of Philadelphia's interracial Fellowship House.

Formal Inauguration Listed For New Home Ec School



Elizabeth Lee Vincent



Dr. Grace M. Henderson

To mark the establishment of the School of Home Economics at the College, a formal inauguration program will be held February 8, 9, and 10.

Dr. Lee Vincent, dean of the College of Home Economics at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., will be the principal speaker at the convocation in Schwab Auditorium February 8. She will speak on "The Contribution of Home Economics in the Education of Today's Citizens."

Also at the opening convocation, James Milholland, acting president of the College, will present the charge to the School of Home Economics. The response will be made by Dr. Grace M. Henderson, dean of the new school and two students, Cynthia Doan, of State College, and David Browne, of South Williamsport. Miss Doan is a home economics student while Browne is enrolled in hotel administration, one of the curricula of the School.

Two former directors of home economics at the College will participate in the program. They are Edith P. Chace, of State College, now director emerita of home economics, who headed the department from 1918 until her retirement in 1937, and Dr. Laura W. Drummond, professor of home economics education, Teachers College, Columbia University, who was director of home economics here from 1938 to 1945.

Dental Service

The dental department of the College Health Service has now been completed and appointments may be made at any time Dr. H. R. Glenn, director of the Health Service, said today.

The dental department is under the direction of Dr. Daniel M. Lonberger.

Appointments for dental work must be made by the medical staff of the Health Service, Dr. Glenn explained, and students should arrange for such appointments at the Dispensary in Old Main.

McElwain Hall

Construction on McElwain Hall, second unit of the new women's dormitories on East Campus, is progressing steadily but the building will not be opened for use during the second semester as had been planned. The dormitory will open next fall.

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