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Loss of a Leader

The College lost one of its staunchest friends and supporters Saturday with the death of Dr. Fred Lewis Pattee, professor emeritus of American literature. Dr. Pattee began his association with Penn State 56 years ago and has since become a leader in creating interest in American literature.

THOUGH HIS PRINCIPAL interest was American literature, in which he was recognized as a leading authority, he was also responsible for many of the College's present activities and facilities. The one best known to current students is that he wrote the lyrics for the Alma Mater.

One of his closest friends at the College, Prof. William L. Werner of the English Literature department, called Dr. Pattee "the most famous man ever connected with the College." He will be missed by everyone at the College who appreciates its fine literature department.

—Herbert Stein

Franchise for Students

While NSA is going after absentee ballots for college students, it might also take up another sore point concerning the franchise for students. AT THE PRESENT TIME, a good many college students would be unable to vote in national and local elections even if they did go home on election days.

The reason: They are under the legal voting age of 21 years.

In recent years there has been pressure extended to lower the voting age to 18. An amendment to the Constitution was submitted to Congress several years ago, but nothing has come of it. Only one state, Georgia, thus far has lowered its voting age.

OPPONENTS OF THE MEASURE never have come forward with strong reasons for denying the franchise to younger citizens. Usually they say that people under 21 are not mature enough to vote and do not have enough experience to cast ballots intelligently.

We doubt seriously the validity of such an argument. If youths of 18 are not mature enough to vote, why were they mature enough to be sent overseas to fight a war to preserve the franchise for older people? Many died without even having a chance to cast the ballot they fought to preserve.

Such a move would be desirable for the purpose of expanding the electorate. Not only would it increase the voting population immediately—it also would have the effect of getting young people into the habit of voting as early as possible. Many who must wait three years before voting never get around to registering.

IF NSA WISHES to render service to the students, many of whom now are disenfranchised, it will take up the voting age issue simultaneously with the question of the absentee ballot.

Sign Your Letters

In the past several days Collegian has received a number of Letters To The Editor which cannot be printed since they are not signed. It has always been the policy of the Daily Collegian not to print such letters.

SINCE WE CANNOT PRINT all letters received because of space limitations, we feel it would be unfair to include those whose writers do not feel their letters are sufficiently important to include names.

We also prefer to have the names in order to check with the writers, personally, in cases of misunderstandings. This is also the only way in which we can be reasonably assured that the writer is reliable and not simply letting off steam on some subject he is afraid to be connected with.

—Herbert Stein

Safety Valve . . .

Letters to the Editor should be addressed—The Daily Collegian, Box 261, Boro. The writer's name will be withheld upon request, but no letter will be printed unless it is signed.

A Vote of Thanks

TO THE EDITOR: We would like to thank this means of thanking those members of the College staff and students without whose good will assistance the exchange dinners between the women's and men's dorms would not have been such a success. The final dinner was held last Sunday and this raised to nearly two thousand the number of students that took part.

We wish to thank the Dean of Men's and the Dean of Women's offices for their approval of the program, the supervisors of the dining halls involved, the hostesses of the women's dorms for their enthusiastic support, the Chief Resident Counselor and the various Advisors in the Nittany-Pollock areas, the men and women students who so graciously served on the various committees and attended to so many details, and finally the men and women who took part for their lady-like and gentlemanly conduct, for their tolerance and understanding, and their good sportsmanship.

In addition we would like to thank the Nittany and Pollock Councils for donating the flowers for the dining hall tables.

—Robert Short
Frank Shinsky

Ticket Price Too High

TO THE EDITOR: Quite a while ago several articles appeared in the Collegian with regards to bringing the Community Concert Series to the campus.

. . . I do not feel that the charge of \$6 for students for the series is justified when comparisons are made. The comparisons are as follows: first of all, the enrollment at my Alma Mater approximated 5,000; not the 10,000 students here. Second, the town itself was only half the size of State College. Yet arrangements were made by the school and those students interested to cut the rate in half—\$3 for the series—for the students while outsiders paid the full \$6 established price.

Assuming the rates charged per performance haven't changed for different schools; I think it is only fair to let those students who can't afford the \$6 (but can \$3) know why they are going to be deprived of seeing the performances.

—Hal Manasevits

Letter Cut

Ed. Note—Prof. Hummel Fishburn, concert chairman for next Fall's series, informs us that the \$6 price is \$2.50 less than the last series at the College. Only by charging this price, he said, can a sufficient budget be obtained to attract the better artists. Four concerts are planned at \$1.50 each, of which 25 cents goes for taxes. This has been the standard fee at such events Prof. Fishburn said, "for the past 20 years."

Gazette . . .

Wednesday, May 10

PSCA ALL C. A. Meeting, 304 Old Main, 7:30 p.m.

PENN STATE RIDING CLUB, 102 Willard 7 p.m.

PRE MEDICAL SOCIETY, 105 Forestry, 7:30 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB Executive Meeting, Rectory Basement, 7 p.m.

HOME EC. CLUB, 117 H.E.

CHEM, PHYS Student Council, 410 Old Main, 7 p.m.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Further information concerning interviews and job placements can be obtained in 112 Old Main.

Department of Properties and Supplies, June grads in Architecture, CE, EE, and ME, and ME. Must be residents of Penna. No priority.

Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. May 10, 11, 12, June grads in CE, Chem E, EE, IE, ME, and Ceramics.

Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. May 11, June grads in LA and Engineering for sales. LA applicants must be single, under 26, and have good extracurricular activities. Engineers may be married, and under 30 with good activities.

International Paper Co., May 12, June grads in ME for Steam Power Plant Operation and Plant Engineering. Applications must be filled before May 10, at 112 Old Main.

Carnegie-Illinois Steel Co., May 11 and 12, June grads in ME, EE, IE, CE, and Metallurgy.

U. S. Rubber Co., May 11, June grads in Chem. E for Laboratory Control, Development, or Production Supervision.

Montgomery Ward, May 11, June grads in C & F and IE for Junior Executive Training Program in Baltimore. Applicants must have participated in extra-curricular activities.

J. C. Penny Co., May 19, June grads in C and F only for retail sales work.

Kawneer Co., May 19, June grads in Engineering for a sales training program. Men with technical background and some experience in business. No priority.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Information concerning these positions can be obtained at the Student Employment Office in Old Main.

Interviews for full time summer sales with Weavever. Part time during school year.

Interviews for counselors at Camp Christmas Seal, May 11, 16.

Student dieticians for summer camps. Recreation Director for Pocono Resort.

Waiters and Dishwashers for next year. Must be able to start now. Weekend subs needed.

COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Admitted Monday: Peter Craig, Harry Calley. Admitted Tuesday: Clair George, Solomon Blatt.

Discharged Tuesday: Murray Rothman, Joy Cohan, Louise Drozdjak.

AT THE MOVIES

STATE: Conspirator.
CATHAUM: Bicycle Thief.
NITTANY: Caught.

Little Man On Campus by Bibler



"Why, Worthal, you old tease, I DO believe you've spiked our housemother's punch."

Honor System Subject Of Intramural Debate

Delta Alpha Delta, women's speech honorary, will award a golf cup to the dormitory unit or sorority whose representative presents the most effective arguments for or against the honor system at Penn State in an intramural discussion contest May 16 and 17.

All women students, with the exception of debate squad members, are eligible to compete and should register by Friday with their sorority or dormitory hostess.

Units and sororities may enter as many representatives as they wish.

Preliminary Rounds

Preliminary rounds will be held Tuesday night in Sparks, and winners will go on to the finals Wednesday night. The Delta Alpha Delta cup will be inscribed with the winner's name and presented to the group she represents.

Delta Alpha Delta members will preside at the tournament. Judges will be members of the speech department.

Contestants need not spend time in extensive research and preparation, since the object of the discussion is to hear opinions concerning the inauguration of the honor system at Penn State. Contestants may speak a total of six minutes about whatever phase of the topic they desire. The discussion will be in round-table style.

Revive Intramurals

Intramurals were sponsored annually before the war, and Delta Alpha Delta's purpose in reviving them is to give all women students the opportunity to speak about a topic of current interest.

Barbara Schiffman, president of Delta Alpha Delta, and Christine Altenburger, women's debate manager, are co-chairmen. Steering committee members are Esther Beck, Rosemary Delahanty, Margaret Fahringer and debate coach Clayton Schug.

Carnival--

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day at Student Union at the rate of 12 for \$1. The sale will continue until May 18 at noon. Tickets at the Carnival will be sold at the straight rate of 10 cents apiece.

Booths from campus organizations which comprise the majority of the Carnival will operate May 18 only. The Drum and Bugle Corp booths will continue to run on May 19 and 20. Jack Baldwin, chairman of the Bugle Corp Carnival committee, announced that a 1950 Chevrolet sedan will be given away after the show closes the night of May 20 as the Grand Drum and Bugle Corp prize.

No Duplication

Most of the booths submitted by campus organizations have been accepted by the Spring Week committee. There will be no exact booth duplications, for each campus group with a booth similar to one already accepted was instructed to give their idea a different variation.

There will be several ticket booths placed at points throughout the Carnival to help eliminate some of the congestion that hampered the tremendous crowds that thronged S. Allen street last year.

The organization whose booth makes the most money, or in other words, takes in the most tickets, will be awarded \$100. Second and third prizes are \$50 and \$25 respectively.

Reede --

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Valley, part of his remarks were in German for the benefit of the Pennsylvania Dutch there.

Among other things, Reede has come out in favor of some form of farm price supports, increases in unemployment benefits, stronger industrial safety legislation, increases in pensions, and broadening of pension lines.

Beta Sigma Omicron

Beta Sigma Omicron sorority was honored to have their national vice-president, Mrs. William Kerner of Pittsburgh as a weekend guest.

Campus Musical Groups Plan Special Rehearsal

Prof. Frank Gullo has called a rehearsal of the touring Glee Club, Hy-Los, and Varsity Quartet for tonight at 7 o'clock in 100 Carnegie Hall. He asked that members "pass the word around."

The Quartet will appear at the coronation program of Miss Penn State on May 17, he said. The club will make recordings for publicity for next year.