

# Cabinet Gets Proposal For New Traffic Court Elimination of Finals Judged Unfeasible

A constitutional amendment providing for the organization of a student traffic court to handle violations of the campus traffic code was read for the first time before All-College Cabinet Thursday night. Cabinet also approved a resolution establishing a system of penalties for violations of traffic regulations.

The amendment to Article III, section 9 of the All-College Constitution, will be voted upon after two more readings in cabinet.

Thomas Farrell, Tribunal chairman, presented the proposal, as follows:

"Student Traffic Court shall try students charged with violating the College parking and traffic regulations, and after a just trial may affix such penalties and fines as are authorized by All-College Cabinet.

"Any student may appeal a decision of traffic court to Tribunal.

"Traffic Court shall be composed of seven male students appointed for terms of one year by the All-College President with the consent of cabinet. Appointments should be made with the recommendation of the chairman of Tribunal and must be made two weeks prior to the end of the spring semester.

"Traffic Court shall be composed of two sophomores, four juniors, and one senior. The sophomores and juniors shall be equally distributed as fraternity and independent men. The senior must be a member of Tribunal and will act as chairman of traffic court."

Penalties for traffic violations authorized by cabinet will be administered by Tribunal whether or not traffic court is established. If the amendment is approved by a three-fourths vote of cabinet, Tribunal will continue to deal with violators until the new court is in operation, Farrell said.

Penalties will be imposed as follows: first offense, \$1 fine and a warning; second offense, \$4 fine; third offense, the violator will be referred to the dean with a recommendation that the student's car be sent home.

The traffic court will apply to male students only, Farrell said. Eighth semester women may have cars on campus, but offenses will be handled through judicial, as at present.

The penalties were adopted to give the enforcement the proper sanction of student government as a legislated rather than a judicial decision, to have a definite publicized system of fines for clarity and thereby discourage violations, and to impress upon the student body the principle that the rules of the College are to be obeyed.

The main point behind the traffic court proposal, Farrell said in his report, is that Tribunal be freed of handling traffic cases that have kept it from being the court it should be—a court for hearing cases of conduct detrimental to the College.

## Chem Society Is Open To Junior Women

Iota Sigma Pi, national honorary society for women in chemistry and allied fields, is open to fifth semester women with an average of 2.0 or better who have completed 20 hours of chemistry.

The group sponsors the Marie Curie lecture and offers an annual prize of \$25 to the senior woman showing the greatest achievement in chemistry.

## New Date For Housing Switch Set

The deadline for an exchange of students entering dormitories and students moving into fraternity houses has been extended to noon Monday.

At that time names of men desiring to transfer to dormitories and those to be released from contracts to affiliate with a fraternity must be submitted to the Dean of Men's office, Edward Pollock, assistant dean of men in charge of fraternity affairs, reported.

The housing and food service application and contract must be signed by 5 p.m. Monday, and men being released must have reported to Nittany Dormitory 20 by this time, Pollock said.

Two things that must be kept in mind during this process, however, Pollock said, are no one is permitted to withdraw without a replacement, and all replacements must be willing to be assigned to Pollock dormitories.

If no substitutes are available, he said, a release may be effected at the end of the first semester if a request is submitted to the Department of Housing, 108 Old Main, at least one month preceding the first day of registration for the spring semester.

Without such notice, the contract remains in force, he said. This is not applicable to the West Dormitories, he said, where contracts are for the full academic year. No release is provided for at any time during that period in these contracts.

## 'Farmer' Staff Meets Monday

The staff of the Penn State Farmer, agricultural magazine, will hold its first meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday in 109 Agriculture. Candidates for the writing, advertising and circulation staffs are needed, according to Edgar Fehnel, editor.

The Penn State Farmer's staff publishes about six issues during the school year, the first to be available Oct. 25.

The magazine is financed by subscription and advertising as well as subsidization by the Agricultural Student Council and by agriculture students who paid 50 cents during registration at Recreation Hall.

There are almost a million dead and dying juniper trees in Bermuda, because of the blight of the juniper scale.

The possibility of eliminating finals for graduating seniors was judged unfeasible by the College Senate at a meeting this summer after a semester of research by a student committee studying the problem.

Polls, ideas, and material were presented to the Senate committee on educational policy by Gail Shaver, head of the student research group.

The proposal was to eliminate the final examination in each course in which the graduating senior had maintained a 2 average or better for the semester.

Harold K. Schilling, educational policy committee chairman, reported his committee could not justifiably grant the request because it believed that:

1. Motivation and study habits were related to achievement demanded at the end of the course.

2. The reorganization and synthesis of study at the end of the course is a valuable type of learning experience which should not be denied the senior student.

3. Disruption of work and unfavorable attitudes might follow the excusing of seniors from classes partially composed of other class groups.

4. If students with course grades of 2 or better were excused from final examinations, some pressures might be exerted on faculty members to mark a little higher in senior courses.

5. If senior examinations were eliminated, there would be the possibility that "bluebook quizzes" would be increased toward the end of the semester.

The idea of substituting a senior comprehensive examination for course examinations was discussed by the committee but was considered impractical because of cost and labor.

## 500 Pint Goal In Blood Drive On Campus Set

A goal of 500 pints of blood has been set for the campus blood drive Oct. 13 to 15 when the Johnstown Red Cross bloodmobile arrives on campus, Marie Wagner, student Red Cross committee chairman has announced.

General distribution of pledge cards and minor release forms begins today. Students between the ages of 18 and 21 must have release forms signed by their parents, Miss Wagner said, and turned in by the Oct. 5 deadline to allow for scheduling.

A schedule will be compiled and donors will be informed of their appointments by mail.

Students, when filling out pledge cards, should signify choices of at least two times when they will be able to give blood. This is necessary to insure against too many donors being signed up for the same hour. The complete blood-giving process takes approximately one hour.

Any Korean veteran who has received blood overseas and would like to take part in a 15 minute panel discussion on radio next week is asked to contact Miss Wagner at 44 McElwain.

## Two Staff Members Elected to Ag Posts

Two College staff members were elected to posts in the Pennsylvania section of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers at a recent meeting in New York.

Harold V. Walton, associate professor of agricultural engineering, was selected chairman, and James B. Kistler, agricultural engineering instructor, was selected secretary.

**Newman Club**  
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8:15 p.m.  
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## College Places Third in Dairy Stock Show

Penn State placed third in dairy cattle judging Monday at the Eastern States Livestock Exposition in Springfield, Mass., for the College's finest showing since 1930.

Thirteen college teams competed in the contest with Cornell and the University of Maryland topping Penn State to win first and second places, respectively. Only 95 points out of a possible 2250 separated Cornell and the local team, according to Gilbert Porter, graduate student in dairy husbandry, team coach.

In the Jersey division Penn State was second with Harry Roth 6th high individual. The team also was runner-up in the Guernsey division. Harry Roth and Levis Phipps placing 5th and 9th respectively in individual competition. Edger Fernel was second high in the Ayrshire judging. Penn State won seventh place in the Holstein division and was eighth in the Brown Swiss competition.

The team spent a week preparing for the contest by looking over top herds in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. The team will travel Oct. 5 to Waterloo, Iowa, to participate in the contest with 30 teams from all over the nation held in conjunction with the National Dairy Cattle Congress.

## Four Research Grants Created

President Milton S. Eisenhower recently announced the establishment of four research grants to the College.

Shell Development Co. granted \$5000 for the study of fine-grained materials with an electron microscope. Dr. Thomas F. Bates, associate professor of mineralogy, will direct research.

A study of petrographic constituents of certain coals and their utilization potentials has been established with a \$4000 grant by the Island Creek Coal Co. Dr. William Spackman Jr., assistant professor of paleobotany, will direct the project.

Robert H. Olmstead, professor of dairy husbandry extension, will direct work in compiling a Dairy Herd Improvement Association report with \$3100 provided by Pennsylvania Association of Artificial Breeding Cooperatives.

Dr. Donald Satchell, assistant professor of soil technology, will conduct research on corn-soil-fertilizer-management interactions under a \$2000 grant by the nitrogen division of Allied Chemical and Dye Corp.

## Changes Made in LA Faculty

Faculty changes in the School of the Liberal Arts have been announced by President Milton S. Eisenhower.

Richard C. Maloney, former administrative assistant in the President's office, has been appointed assistant dean of the school. Maloney, who joined the staff in Sept. 1950, succeeds Seth W. Russell, who resigned to accept the deanship of applied arts and sciences at North Dakota Agricultural College. Maloney, who served as principal of the Cyrus Peirce School in Nantucket, Mass., taught in the public schools of New Hampshire and Massachusetts for 14 years.

In 1942, he entered active duty as a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve and served as aviation gunnery officer and officer-in-charge of the combat aircrew training unit at the Naval

Air Station, Whidbey Island, Wash.

Following World War II, Maloney was appointed instructor in English at Kansas State, and in 1946, was named assistant dean of the School of Arts and Sciences there. He was named registrar and assignment officer at Kansas State in 1948.

Dr. Franklin B. Krauss, professor of Latin, and acting head of the Department of Romance Languages, has been named head of that department.

A native of Quakertown, Dr. Krauss received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees at the University of Pennsylvania and also studied at the American School of Classical Studies in Rome.

Appointed to the College faculty in 1931, he was promoted in 1940 to professor of Latin.

Dr. James W. Markham has

been appointed as associate professor of journalism. Markham has served on faculties of the Schools of Journalism at the University of Texas and the University of Missouri.

Since 1948, he has taught at Missouri where he served as placement officer for the School of Journalism. His job will be to assist in developing the graduate program in journalism, according to Franklin C. Banner, head of the department. Along with teaching, Markham has worked as a reporter for the Fort Worth Press and as a special writer for the Dallas Journal.

Three new faculty members have been named to the department of speech. They are Dr. Ordean Ness, assistant professor of speech; and Dr. Edward J. Lennon Jr. and William J. Lewis, instructors in speech.

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