

Reede Views Ethics, Politics

It is possible to be an astute politician and still retain the essentials of intellectual integrity, Arthur H. Reede, professor of economics and Democratic candidate for Congress in 1950, told the Political Science Club Thursday night. Reede's talk was the fifth in a series of discussions on the topic "Ethics and Politics."

Spring Pledging Date to Be Set Tuesday by IFC

The date of the beginning of formal fraternity pledging will be announced Tuesday, a spokesman for the Interfraternity Council reported yesterday.

He said the IFC must first consult with the Association of Fraternity Counselors and get their opinion as to a satisfactory time. The AFC will meet Monday night and is expected to take action at that time.

Members of the IFC executive committee discussed the question yesterday afternoon and arrived at a tentative date, the official said. Before it can be announced, however, he added, the AFC must also approve the date.

IFC president Thomas Schott told fraternity men at Thursday's IFC meeting the date would probably be about the second week in February. It must be late enough for scholastic averages of rushees to be available to fraternities, as is provided in the IFC rushing and pledging code.

Bruce Coble, chairman of the IFC rushing committee, has revealed that between 300 and 400 preference cards have been returned by independent men indicating their interest in joining a fraternity and in some cases a definite house. These cards and descriptive rushing magazines are still available from dormitory counselors and at the Dean of Men's office, he said.

Lists of those showing an interest in fraternities are now being made, Coble said, and will be available to houses next week. Lists of those asking about specific houses will be compiled later, he added.

Coble also reported there would be no open houses for rushees until next semester. This is because of the nearness of finals and the stepped-up academic tempo until then.

Borough Police Probe Party

Borough police are investigating a party held at Kappa Sigma during the Christmas vacation to find if it is connected with a robbery at the fraternity which netted thieves approximately \$650 in clothing and jewelry.

Chief John Juba said a check was on to locate the stolen goods. Original estimate of the loss was \$550, but a more thorough check by members of the fraternity showed \$650 worth of clothing and jewelry was taken.

The adviser of the fraternity authorized the party, an officer of the house said last night.

No new developments in the robbery of \$22 in cash from Theta Chi were reported. A cash box in which the money had been kept was found on Locust Lane during vacation.

4 Staff Members Attend Conclave

Four staff members of the University attended the District II conference of the American Alumni Council this week in Atlantic City, N.J.

They are Ridge Riley and Ross B. Lehman of the Alumni Association and Bernard P. Taylor and Robert E. Beam of the Penn State Foundation.

Taylor conducted a round-table discussion on alumni funds and Beam spoke on initiating an alumni fund.

Read to Lecture

Sir Herbert Read, British author of both prose and poetry, will give a lecture sponsored by the Divisions of Art Education and Fine and Applied Arts at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in 121 Sparks.

Speaking as a practical politician, Reede drew the distinction between two types of political dishonesty. The first of these, commercial dishonesty, is seldom tried by politicians, he stated. Reede agreed politicians have many opportunities to use their positions for financial gain, but most are forced by their opponents to avoid situations which could be used for political ammunition, he said.

Another factor which keeps politicians honest in this respect is the piteous publicity centered on men in public office, Reede stated. Any misstep usually results in headlines, Reede commented.

Reede then cited the second type of political dishonesty which he called intellectual dishonesty. Here the record is not so good, Reede stated. He charged it is sometimes unfeasible for a politician to state exact truths because of the danger of his opponents distorting his true meanings.

Reede asked the question how a politician can be expected to adhere sternly to the standards of rectitude when his opponents are constantly waiting to turn a chance statement against him. A politician must have the right of defensive protection against the distortion of his views, Reede stated.

Reede said men in public office should be expected to give up any commercial interests they had before election to office. He also declared that increased prestige which public office gives a man is adequate to offset any possible decrease in income he may suffer by taking public office.

Nicolet to Talk On Ionosphere

Marcel Nicolet, visiting professor of engineering research in the Ionosphere Laboratory, will lecture on "The Upper Atmosphere" to a meeting of Sigma Xi, honorary science fraternity for graduate students, at 8 p.m. Thursday in 117 Osmond.

Nicolet is recognized as one of the world's leading authorities on the behavior of the upper atmosphere. He is the author of more than a hundred papers in various technical journals.

Nicolet, a native of Belgium, first came to Penn State in 1951.

Need a Ring Job?

New official Penn State class ring, has been changed to read "University," rather than "College," in the inscription around the stone. Old rings may be altered to read "University," Crum Jenkins, dealer in university jewelry at the Athletic Store, has announced. Cost for the change is \$4.20, plus tax, Jenkins said.



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2d Semester Dorm Outlook Seen Favorable

No major housing problems are anticipated for the spring semester, according to Otto F. Mueller, director of housing. The number of rooms which will be available in the men's dormitories is about equal to the number of applications for admittance to the University.

Mrs. Cordelia Hibbs, assistant dean of women in charge of housing, said she is now working on women's housing, and will be able to determine the situation in a few days.

Plans for drawings for room assignments for eight-week practice teachers and home economic students who will be living in home management houses will probably be made within a week, Mrs. Hibbs said.

Students who applied for assignments in the West Dorm area and who have been housed in Nittany and Pollock dormitories will receive preference for rooms vacated by graduating seniors.

Students who wish to remain at the University between semesters must register at the Dean of Men's office before Jan. 25, James W. Dean, assistant to the dean of men in charge of independent affairs, has announced.

Arrangements for housing the students remaining and fees they will be charged have not been completed, Dean said.

Dormitories will be closed at 5 p.m. Jan. 27 and will reopen at 8 a.m. Feb. 2.

Dormitory housing contracts state that students will vacate rooms within 24 hours after their last final examination.

Harter Receives \$50 Alcoa Award

James Harter, seventh semester architecture major, has been awarded the \$50 first prize by the Aluminum Company of America in the competition for the design of a railroad station.

Cynthia Palmer, seventh semester architecture major, and Alan McChesney, ninth semester architecture major, tied for the second prize of \$25.

Glenn Claims Collegian Poll Favorable to Health Service

Herbert R. Glenn, director of the University Health Service, said today he felt the recent medical poll taken by the Daily Collegian was "favorable" to the service and "did not show that all students were dissatisfied with the service offered."

He pointed out that although only 240 students were questioned in the poll, there were only 65 who were dissatisfied with the service.

He also felt many students who gave unfavorable comments about the Health Service were not justified in their remarks because they either had very little personal contact with the Infirmary or Dispensary or had none at all.

Glenn gave two reasons why the suggestion by students that the Health Service should have 24-hour service with a doctor on duty at the Infirmary at all times was not feasible. It would be almost an impossibility to get a doctor who would go on duty at the Infirmary at all times, he said. And, to have a doctor on continuous duty, would cost about \$15,000 a year, he added.

He said that under the Health Service's present operation

there is a doctor on call 24 hours a day. If a student is sick at 3 a.m. the doctor who is on call for that particular night will visit the student. He also pointed out that the Infirmary is open to all at all times.

Glenn said the present plan for issuing excuses is a good one for everybody and should not be changed as some students suggested.

"While it (the excuse plan) is a Senate regulation and good for everybody, it is not our intention to put the student in the middle; any student is at liberty to talk to me about excuses if he feels he should have one," Glenn said.

He added that by changing the present excuse plan we would all lose by it because it would foster non-class attendance and cause more students to ask for excuses when they don't need them.

"Before the Senate ruling on excuses was passed," he said, "the Dispensary had approximately 10,000 visits a year from students not needing excuses. People used the Health Service as an excuse for not going to class," he said.

Glenn also stated the staff members of the University Health Service try to be as personal to the

GOP Debater Backs McCarthy Influence

By JOAN PARK

The Republicans do not agree with everything McCarthy has done, Robert Kurtz, third semester business administration major, said as he opened his discussion of "McCarthy, the fight for America?" at the meeting of the Young Republicans Club Thursday night.

In his affirmative discussion Kurtz said the Republicans do believe McCarthy has done more good than harm. Everyone realizes the external danger threatening the United States, he said, but few realize the internal danger. McCarthy is trying to arouse us to the fact with his investigations. Most people shout 'hysteria' when someone is brought before the committee, Kurtz said. Actually, he said, this is done to help defend the United States.

No Proven Communists

David Scott, first semester dairy husbandry major, speaker for the negative side, said McCarthy has not found one proven Communist. He said McCarthy has called General Marshall a "traitorous schemer and Drew Pearson a "sugar coated voice of Russia" but has never been able to prove it. McCarthy, he said, has called anyone that hasn't agreed with his policies extremely "left," pink," or a "Communist."

John Kiffin, fifth semester arts and letters major, second speaker in the affirmative side continued on the fact that even though McCarthy has not fired one Communist, proved this would be impossible. He said the only way this would be possible would be if the suspected Communist were a domestic servant in his house, or employed in his office or on his committee. His job, Kiffin stressed, is to investigate. The firing is up to others to decide. He argued that McCarthy did not call Marshall a traitor, but said he was very "stupid" and was a "front man for traitors."

Guilty by Association

Kiffin also mentioned guilt by association, which McCarthy has used in many of his accusations. If a person associates with Communists, he may not be a member of the party but he certainly must agree with Communist doctrines.

Stan Juras, third semester engineering science major, said McCarthy is trying to be patriotic in exposing Communists. He claims to be a Paul Revere in rousing the people to the fact of Communism. Actually, Juras said, the FBI, Roosevelt, and Truman knew there were Communists in the government. Loyalty boards were the result of Congressional study long before McCarthy.

The four panel members then gave four minute speeches in rebuttal, after which the floor was open to questions from the audience.

'Time' Review Recognizes Pattee's Book

Time magazine called Fred Lewis Pattee's autobiography, "Penn State Yankee," "a moving story of a typical New Hampshire boyhood," but added that "Pattee's account of his teaching life is pedestrian," in the Jan. 4 issue.

Pattee wrote the Penn State alma mater, and the Pattee Library was named for him.

Time's reviewer wrote, "When he (Pattee) died in 1950, it was plain that he had done as much as any one man to end the notion of U.S. literary colonialism. In his day, he had the respect not only of students and teachers, but even of such a renowned professor-baiter as H. L. Mencken.

"Wrote the big, bad curmudgeon of the '20s to Pattee: 'Your treatise upon my own crimes and misdemeanors seems to me to be a very excellent piece of work... Send me your portrait. Let me have it at once. There is a place for it on my wall between Coolidge and Lillian Gish.'"

The book remained in the library until last March under the title of "My World As In My Time." Funds for its publication were donated by friends of Pattee and the University, and his Dartmouth classmates. The fact that Pattee was a New England "Yankee" for the first 31 years of his life, before he came to Penn State in 1894, inspired the title, "Penn State Yankee."

Hillel to Hear Author Monday

Maurice Samuel, author, lecturer, and translator will speak on "The Legacy of European Jewry" at Hillel forum at 8 p.m. Monday at Hillel Auditorium.

The talk will be a survey of the cultural heritage in folklore and literature left to the world by the destroyed Jewish civilization of Europe.

Samuel has been acclaimed one of the most colorful, witty, and popular lecture platform personalities. The author of 12 volumes, including "The Devil That Failed" and "The World of Shalom Aleichem," he has also translated 15 books.

Copies of Samuel's books may be purchased and autographed at the lecture.

Student Suspended On Cheat Charge

A seventh semester student in the College of Mineral Industries has been given an indefinite suspension from the University for cheating, Dean of Men Frank J. Simes, announced yesterday.

The student will be allowed to complete his examinations this semester, and his suspension will take effect at the completion of the semester, Simes said. Action was taken because of "plagerism," he said.

The student was placed on indefinite suspension, Simes said, because he had committed a previous cheating offense in the spring semester last year.

Indefinite suspension means a student may not apply for readmission at the end of one semester, as is the regular suspension requirement.

1070 Vets on Campus

Of 1319 veterans enrolled at the University, 1070 are on campus, C. O. Williams, dean of admissions and registrar, has announced. Some 249 others, largely freshmen and sophomores, are attending Penn State centers. Fifteen of the veterans are coeds.