

Election Code Passed--

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lection method of party clique chairmen.

Cabinets in the future, he said, could disapprove of the method of selection of the presidents of Inter-Fraternity Council, College Student Councils, or any other bodies on campus.

"Cabinet should not," he said, "tamper with an organization's internal structure."

Thomas Kidd, cabinet parliamentarian, refuted Sinclair's argument as unsound, saying the other groups mentioned were self-constituted, and existed independently of cabinet.

"Political parties are not self-constituted," he said. "They will exist only so long as cabinet decides they should exist."

Sinclair's answer was that Cabinet still held "the ultimate power over all organizations on campus." Cabinet could, he continued, abolish their seats on cabinet, even at the cost of amending the All-University Constitution.

Robert Dennis, president of the Association of Independent Men, at this point reminded Cabinet that passage of any part of the elections code would at last grant official recognition to the political parties system at the University.

"This has been our most glaring error in the past," he said.

Formal recognition and chartering of political parties was included in the permanent elections code as Article 15. Discussion had not yet progressed to the provision at the time of the recess.

Dennis asked: "Can anyone on cabinet feel that he can recognize any organization if its chairman is not democratically elected?"

After it was pointed out that under the present system clique chairmen are elected by the party's executive board, Kidd offered an alternative suggestion that this be continued, provided two-thirds of the steering committee be elected by the clique as a whole.

At present, one-half of the members of each party's executive committee are appointed by the chairman and one-half are elected.

Speaking from the floor, Rudolph Lutter, fifth semester arts and letters major, injected the thought that the present system is not even so democratic as it seems on the surface.

"In the past," he said, "many of the elective posts have simply gone unfilled."

He pointed out further that under the organization as it now

stands, there is no assurance that all executive committee members will be notified that a meeting is to be held, and some are notified as late as fifteen minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

This was the case of at least one member of the Student Representative Council of State Party which elected Rae DelleDonne chairman Wednesday night. Janet McKee, new clique secretary, announced as she arrived that she had been called about the meeting "only fifteen minutes ago" and had not gotten the message about the meeting "five minutes ago."

Lutter opposed the specification regarding the selection of members of the executive committee as proposed by Kidd, but said:

"A party clique chairman should have the right to free appointment—once he himself is elected democratically."

As the meeting recessed, Robert Smoot, president of Hat Society Council, asked cabinet to forget any political affiliations while considering this issue.

"Think of it from the viewpoint of the guy on the Mall and his democratic government," he urged.

Under amendments to the second paragraph of the same article suggested by Kidd, official party registration will be conducted at the beginning of each semester by the All-University elections committee.

The original provision of the committee's proposal was altered to state that official cards will be issued at registration by the elections committee no later than two weeks prior to the final party nomination meetings.

The article also specifies that each registrant must attend one

Beam Retires After 37 Years With Faculty

A. Leland Beam, professor of dairy production, director of short courses and assistant director of resident instruction, retired from the dairy science faculty with emeritus rank on Sept. 1.

Beam's retirement marks 37 years of service to the dairy science faculty and 14 years directorship of the short courses program.

He was succeeded in both capacities by David R. McClay, associate professor of agricultural education.

Beam became a faculty member in 1916. He was former coach of the dairy judging A. Leland Beam teams at a time when the University often placed first in national and regional competition.

The Dairy Exposition held last spring was dedicated to him.

Beam taught courses in dairy production, and in 1940 became director of the short course program. In 1945, he gave up his dairy science classes to devote full time to the short courses and resident instruction programs.

His successor, McClay was appointed to the University faculty in 1947, after teaching vocational agriculture in Western Pennsylvania high school, and serving in the U.S. Navy.

clique meeting prior to the final nomination meeting. The cards will be punched or checked at the meetings.

Encampment Changes Okayed

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Next year's schedule calls for morning and afternoon plenary sessions Friday, and a variety show Friday night. Saturday morning the encampment will close with a plenary session.

The evaluations committee also recommended that plenary sessions make no resolutions. Some debate resulted from this motion. It passed after Kidd pointed out it would be better if resolutions resulting from encampment were presented to cabinet rather than written hurriedly in a plenary.

Cabinet approved a proposal to set up a committee to choose those to go to encampment. It will consist of four students, faculty and administration members. Eighty per cent of the people going to encampment will be chosen on the basis of position, the remainder by personal interview. Those chosen by interview will be asked to answer this question: Why do you want to go to encampment?

It is hoped that by this method only those really interested in the University will be at encampment.

Other recommendations passed require each encampment work-

shop leader to send background material to be covered at encampment before encampment meets. In addition, workshop leaders will be required to report to encampment early for briefing on group instruction. Workshop leaders also will have to meet after each session for a progress discussion.

The resolutions passed also require that a set of rules be adopted in the first plenary, that the chairman of the selection committee be the encampment chairman, that a recreation director be appointed, and that encampment invitees be assigned to committees on the basis of ability, experience, and interest.

Cabinet received and accepted a resolution that cabinet appoint a committee to look into technical details of a program with the Community Concerts company. The report was presented by Kirk Garber, chairman of the cultural and social aspects committee.

This proposal includes the working out of details for getting paid commitments from students before memberships are actually sold. The resolution passed unanimously.



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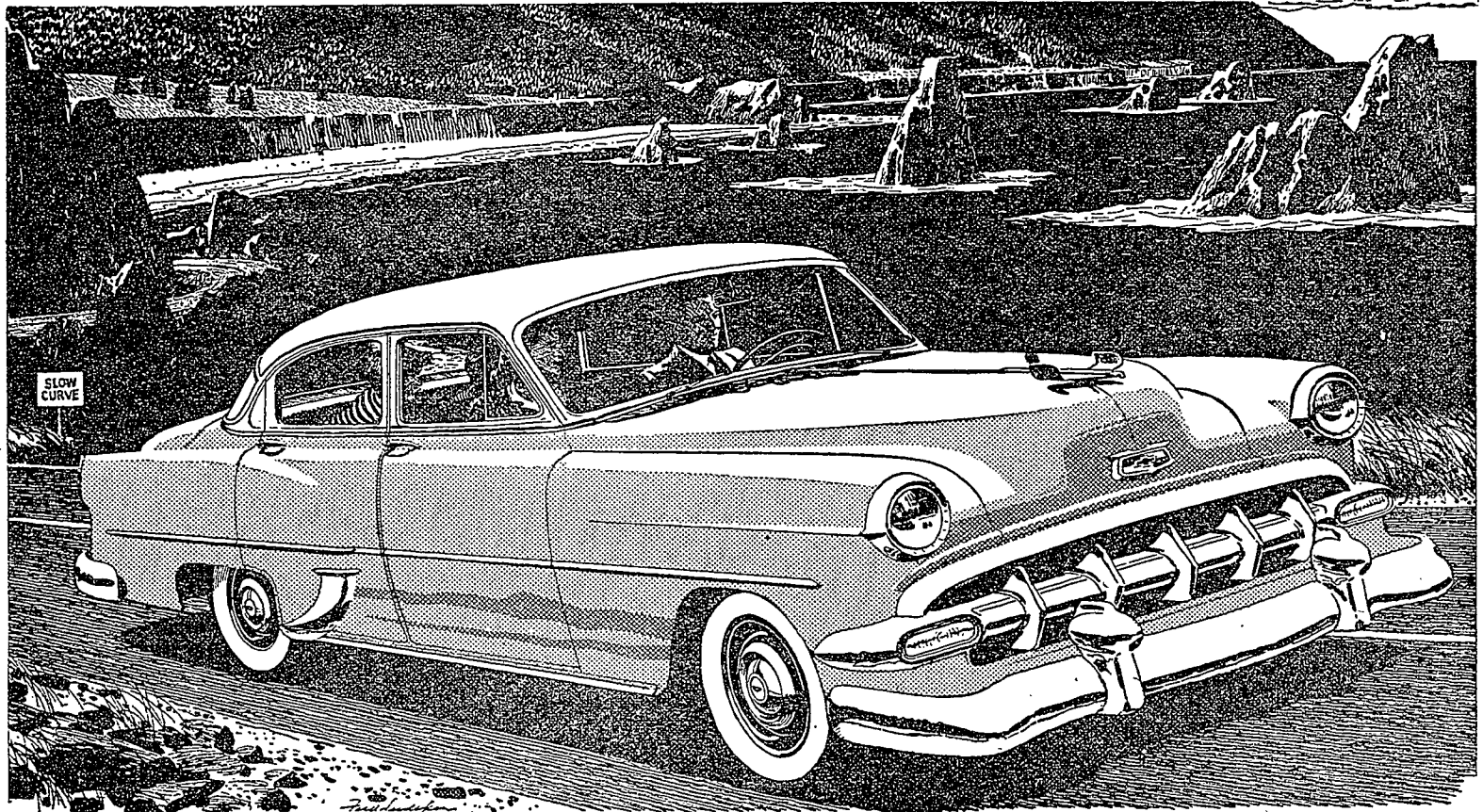
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