

Chapel Dedicated Yesterday

See picture on page five
By DON SHOEMAKER

The All-Faith Chapel was officially dedicated to the late Helen Eakin Eisenhower, wife of President Milton S. Eisenhower, at official groundbreaking ceremonies yesterday morning in Hort Woods.

Immediately after the ceremony, bulldozers began work at the site. Despite threatening skies and an occasional drop of rain which fell, a crowd of approximately 300 people turned out for the groundbreaking ceremony.

The announcement that the chapel was to be named for Mrs. Eisenhower was made by Judge James Milholland, president of the University Board of Trustees and came as a surprise to President Eisenhower, who had spoken earlier at the ceremonies.

Thoughtful Consideration

In choosing a name for the chapel, Milholland said the trustees had given "thoughtful consideration to many excellent possibilities."

But, he added, invariably they came back to the name of a person whose life exemplified those ideals and objectives which the chapel symbolizes.

"This person was interested in many of the significant campus developments of recent years and, in ways that were appropriate, did everything possible to advance them. But of all such projects, the All-Faith Chapel was the one dearest to her heart, the one for which she worked hardest in her self-effacing way."

Chapel Dedicated

"It is therefore with pride, and a sense of the complete fitness of the decision that I tell you that the trustees have agreed that this chapel shall be known henceforth as the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel," he said.

Construction of the chapel is to be financed by gifts and contributions. To date, more than \$250,000 has been donated. More than half of this amount was contributed in memory of Mrs. Eisenhower. The Interfraternity Council has recently announced it will contribute two pews to the chapel in memory of Mrs. Eisenhower.

In his remarks, President Eisenhower outlined the plans for the chapel, and expressed the hope that it could serve as an aid to education through religion. "Edu-

(Continued on page eight)

The Daily Collegian

FOR A BETTER PENN STATE

VOL. 55, No. 87

STATE COLLEGE, PA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 23, 1955

FIVE CENTS

Prexy Discusses Future

Cites Duties Before 600 At Party

By PHYLLIS PROPERT

The University is not content to merely bask in the glory of its past but is fully aware of its present and future responsibilities, President Milton S. Eisenhower assured 600 guests attending the Birthday Party last night in the Hetzel Union Building.

"If Penn State succeeds in preparing young men and women for the sober responsibilities of citizenship in our modern democracy, then surely we, in these years of peril, shall supremely merit the faith of the people of the State which a century ago was pledged to our continuing support," he said.

The Birthday Party began with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. The invocation was offered by Luther H. Harshbarger, University Chaplain. Following the dinner, the symbolic ceremony of cutting the Centennial Birthday cake was held.

Students Sing

Students from the Penn State Glee Club, Women's Chorus, Blue Band, and University Orchestra presented "Songs of America from Then 'till Now." The group was directed by Frank Gullo, associate professor of music.

Seven members of groups representing the Commonwealth, faculty, staff, students, alumni, borough, colleges and universities of Pennsylvania and the land-grant Colleges and Universities extended greetings.

Presents Resolution

Following the addresses of Judge James Milholland, president of the Board of Trustees, and of President Eisenhower, Hiram Andrews, speaker of the State House of Representatives, presented President Eisenhower with the resolution passed by the General Assembly honoring the University on its Centennial. In accepting the resolution, Dr. E-

(Continued on page eight)



GOVERNOR GEORGE M. LEADER confers with All-University President Jesse Arnette and University President Milton S. Eisenhower at last night's Centennial dinner in the Hetzel

Union Building. At left is Governor Leader's wife. Leader spoke at the birthday party which followed the dinner in the HUB.

Strauss Stresses Importance Of Using Reactor for Peace

By ROG BEIDLER

Adm. Lewis L. Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, stressed the importance of the University's nuclear reactor in the government's search for the peaceful uses of atomic energy at the reactor dedication yesterday.

Admiral Strauss, who motored from Washington to dedicate the reactor, said that only in places in such locations as the University can such research programs as this be carried on without measuring economic gains.

Centennial Collegian Available at SU Desk

Students desiring issues of yesterday's special Centennial issue of the Daily Collegian may get copies at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Any organizations or groups desiring extra copies of the issue should contact Richard Gordon, circulation manager.

Nearly 100 persons were present at the dedication of the reactor which was part of the celebration of the University's 100th birthday yesterday. They were seated around the 40-foot pool which will house the reactor. The reactor, which has been under construction since last spring, will still need three or four months for completion.

Opens Ceremony

President Milton S. Eisenhower opened the ceremony and introduced Admiral Strauss. Other guests at the dedication included Congressman James E. VanZandt, Republican representative from Altoona; Dr. Herman Roth, director of research at the Oak Ridge office of the AEC; Eric A. Walker, dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture; and Dr. William M. Breazeale, professor of nuclear engineering.

President Eisenhower stated that the new scientific forces which are being developed by the government can be used for good and evil.

Research Good

"Our research is wholly in the field of good," he asserted.

In his dedication address, Admiral Strauss stated that the reactor will be used to educate new scientists to aid science in its search in atomic energy.

"It is a role in which universities have proved themselves in all fields," he said, "and they will be the salvation of the nation."

"It is fitting that the reactor should be dedicated on so hallowed a day," he said, referring to the dedication of the All-Faith Chapel yesterday morning. He expressed his hope that the reactor will become instrumental in the good use of nature making contact with the mind of man.

The reactor will be available for research for all colleges of the University for instruction of graduate and undergraduate students. When completed, the reactor will be the second one to be operating on a university campus. One is now in operation at the North Carolina State College, Raleigh, N.C.

Collegian Candidates

Students interested in joining the news staff of the Daily Collegian will meet at 7 tonight in 2 Carnegie. Candidates for the news staff need not be journalism majors and may be of any semester standing.

Business staff candidates will not meet this week.

Post Office Opened Officially By Prexy

"University Park," the University's new post office, was opened officially yesterday morning with a brief ceremony in the Hetzel Union Building.

President Milton S. Eisenhower and Judge James Milholland, president of the University Board of Trustees, participated in the opening, which was attended by several hundred students and officials.

The two officials received oversized envelopes containing letters of greeting from the student body. The envelopes were the first to be mailed and cancelled at the new postoffice.

Convenient to Students

In cutting the ribbon which officially opened the post office, President Eisenhower ventured that he was sure it would prove a convenience to the students. Speaking informally before the ceremony, he said it seems "miraculous" that the postoffice was set up in such a short time.

The decision to establish the post office was officially reached only a month ago.

President Eisenhower thanked the postmaster general, the Philadelphia postmaster, and State College postal officials, all of whom he said contributed to the project. He concluded his talk by buying the first centennial stamp to be sold at the post office.

The opening ceremony was under the direction of the Student Centennial Committee, headed by Diehl McKalip, editor of the Daily Collegian, and Judith Hartman,

fifth semester arts and letters major.

The new post office will operate under the direction of the State College postmaster. J. Russell Hoy, former money-order clerk at the main post office has been named station superintendent.

Effective today, all mail deposited at the post office or at any of the mail boxes on campus will bear the University Park cancellation. No figures were available yesterday on how many letters were processed through the new post office.

Sale Increases

Meanwhile, the sale of centennial stamps and envelopes passed the 40,000 mark on yesterday's anniversary.

Workers at the Student Union desk in Old Main reported yesterday that 4000 stamps and 3000 envelopes were purchased yesterday to bring the total sold to 40,000 envelopes and 44,000 stamps.

Post office officials yesterday were unable to give an accurate estimate on the number of Centennial stamps sold in the borough, but the total is probably more than 950,000, according to unofficial sales figures.

No FM to AM

WDFM Frequency Change Is Doubtful

By SUE CONKLIN

The possibilities of WDFM, campus radio station, changing from FM to AM frequency are very slight.

David R. Mackey, assistant professor of speech and general manager for the station, said he felt that a change to AM would defeat the purpose of the station as a student centered operation.

"At present, WDFM is an educational FM station," Mackey said.

"If it were on AM frequency the station would have to broadcast a certain number of hours each day and would also have to broadcast every day including vacations," he said.

Partially Educational

Wilmer E. Kenworthy, director of student affairs, said that if the station operated on AM it would be necessary for the University administration to take over the operation. He stated that the station is partially education, and

that if the change were made the educational purpose would be defeated.

Dr. Harold E. Nelson, associate professor of speech, said it was doubtful if the station would ever be changed to AM. He said that when the present system is working properly the broadcasts can be received in the dormitories on AM sets.

Tests Conducted

Mackey revealed the tests are still being conducted with the transponders in women's dormitories, and that he hopes they will be working effectively by the end of the semester. Transponders are in operation in the West Dormitory area.

Ted Bair, station manager, said that AM had not been considered for the station. Bair also stated that even though the broadcasts will be received on AM sets by means of the transponders the station will remain FM.

(Continued on page five)

TODAY'S WEATHER:

CLOUDY AND COLDER

