

Antique Chest Serves As '95 Class Roll Book

A handsome, hand-carved chest in the Penn State Room of Pattee Library now serves as a roll book for members of the Penn State Class of 1895.

The names of all the class members are carved about the sides of the chest. And when a member of the class dies, a cross is carved beside his name.

The chest also serves another function—that of a storehouse for Penn State lore and pleasant memories for members of the class who may choose to browse through it.

It contains records and replicas of the things they did and the people who were their classmates and associates.

The chest, carved by a member of the class, Ralph Fitch Martin, may be opened only by another class member.

Among items to be found in the chest are autographed parasols used at the class reunion in 1935, a fragment of the class flag, copies of LaVie of 1890, and copies of the Free Lance, monthly student publication which later became The Daily Collegian.

Photographs of Campus
Photographs in the chest show a rural campus trod by coeds in high-buttoned shoes, and stiff-collared presidents and faculty members.

The first verse of the class hymn is carved on the lid of the chest. Interestingly enough, it was this tune to which Fred Lewis Pattee later set the words which were to become the Alma Mater.

The chest was carved by Martin in commemoration of the class's 40th anniversary and 1935 reunion.

Reveal Contents in 1954
The contents of the mysterious chest were first revealed May 18, 1954, when George B. Snyder, class secretary and a resident of State College, opened it.

Carved around the names of the 36 class members are a number of intricate designs which display careful and artistic workmanship.

The chest is currently on display in the new addition to the Penn State Room on the fourth floor of the library. However, an inner lid may still be opened only by a member of the class of 1895.

Engagements

Hall-Iffert

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Iffert of Hazleton announce the engagement of their daughter Ellen to Mr. Norman Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hall of Clarks Summit.

Miss Iffert is a junior in arts and letters.

Mr. Hall is a junior in business management and a member of the varsity basketball team.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Hartmann-Silk

Mrs. Edward J. Silk of Philadelphia announces the engagement of her daughter Patricia to Mr. Ronald Hartmann, son of Mrs. Hilda Hartmann of Lititz.

Miss Silk is a sophomore in elementary education.

Mr. Hartmann is a senior in landscape architecture and a member of Acacia.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Woodford-Wagner

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Wegner of Priven announce the engagement of their daughter Joyce to Mr. James Woodford, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Woodford of Riverside, Calif.

Miss Wagner is a junior in applied arts and a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Mr. Woodford is an assistant professor at the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Livziey-Mader

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Mader of Danville announce the engagement of their daughter Carol to Mr. Jay Livziey, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Livziey of Danville.

Miss Mader is a student in nursing at Reading Hospital.

Mr. Livziey is a junior in physical education and a member of Theta Chi.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Hendrickson-Smith

Mr. and Mrs. David L. Smith of Hopewell, N.J., announce the engagement of their daughter Patricia to Mr. Furman Hendrickson, son of Mrs. Furman Hendrickson of Trenton, N.J.

Miss Smith is a senior in home economics and a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Mr. Hendrickson is serving with the U.S. Army at Fort Eustis, Va. No date has been set for the wedding.

Ernest-Andress

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Andress of Richboro announce the engagement of their daughter Joan to Mr. Richard Ernest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield T. Ernest of Newtown.

Miss Andress is a senior in applied arts at Drexel Institute of Technology and a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority.

Mr. Ernest is a senior in mechanical engineering.

Thesis Production to Open Two-Week Run on Feb. 10

The thesis production of "The Innocents" will open for a two weekend run at 8 p.m. Feb. 10 in the Extension Conference Center. The play will also be given Feb. 11, 17, and 18.

Nancy May, graduate in dramatics, will direct the production as part of the work toward her master's degree. The play is a psychological ghost story based on the novelette "The Turn of the Screw" by Henry James. William Archibald adapted the play from the novelette.

The leading roles are played by two children, Carol Mansell as Flora and Walter Ebaugh as Miles. Carol is a fourth grade student at Easterly Parkway School. Walter, a seventh grade student at State College Junior High School, has appeared in two Players' productions, "Medea" and "First Day of Summer."

Other members of the cast include Mrs. Kelly Yeaton of State College as Miss Giddeons and Jolanda Laing, junior in arts and letters from State College, as Mrs. Grose.

The play is being produced in cooperation with Players and the department of theater arts.

Earthquake Hits Ecuador

QUITO, Ecuador, Jan. 17 (AP) — Heavy damage to two Ecuadorean coastal cities was reported today as a result of a strong earthquake that shook most of the country last

Transfer Club May Be Started

A social organization for women transfer students who are members of sororities at other schools may be organized on campus, Barbara Nicholls, acting president of Panhellenic Council, has announced.

Women who are interested should register in the dean of women's office. The purpose of the group is to organize women who are members of sororities not having chapters on campus, and women who are unable to affiliate with campus sororities because of a filled quota.

If enough women are interested, Miss Nicholls said, the Greek group will be organized. If Panhellenic Council approves it, it is also possible that the group will be represented on council.

WATCH WHAT YOU SAY AND HOW YOU SAY IT!

A publisher in Chicago reports there is a simple technique of everyday conversation which can pay you real dividends in both social and business advancement and works like magic to give you added poise, self confidence and greater popularity. The details of this method are described in a fascinating booklet, "Adventures in Conversation," sent free on request. According to this publisher, many people do not realize how much they could influence others simply by what they say and how they say it. Whether in business, at social func-

tions, or even in casual conversations with new acquaintances, there are ways in which you can make a good impression every time you talk. To acquaint more readers of this paper with the easy-to-follow rules for developing skill in everyday conversation, the publishers have printed full details of their interesting self-training method in a 24-page booklet which will be mailed free to anyone who requests it. The address is: Conversation Studies, Dept. 4451, 835 Diversey Parkway, Chicago 14, Ill. A postcard will do.

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