

# LA Faculty Approves Report To Abolish English Comp 0

The College of the Liberal Arts faculty has approved in principle a Senate committee report advocating the abolishment of English Composition 0.

The recommendation is based on a study by the Senate Subcommittee on Competence in the Use of English and contained in a report by the Senate Committee on Educational Policy.

It states, "that only those students shall be admitted to the University as freshmen who are deemed competent to enter English Composition 1, or have high scholastic ability in other respects."

Dr. John S. Bowman, professor of English Composition and chairman of the subcommittee, said that he feels and thinks two different ways about the mandate—"I feel it would be wonderful but I think it will never happen."

"I would support it except that of the 25 per cent of the freshman class who now are required to take English Composition 0 there are people who can be salvaged," he said.

Other proposals made in the report were:

- Competent English shall be a requirement for a baccalaureate degree in all curriculums.
- Minimum competence in English usage shall be defined as the level of achievement equivalent to that required for passing English Composition 5 with a grade of C or better.

- A student will be dropped from the University if he has not met this requirement before the beginning of the fifth semester.

- Requirements for admission will become effective with freshmen entering in spring 1958 and those pertaining to graduation with freshmen entering fall 1957. Students entering with junior or senior standing must have an equivalent average of C.

- The Senate Committee on Academic Standards will enforce the requirements.

- The Senate shall request the University administration to implement these policies.

After prolonged discussion on the points involving abolishing Comp 0 and setting C as a minimum standard of competence, faculty members approved the report but questioned the practicability of these points and therefore recommended further study.

In opposing the setting of a standard, Bowman said he believes it would be "perfectly ineffective" since it would tend to lower the passing standards from C to D as well as to put a greater burden on the English Composition 5 instructors.

He said by setting this standard the Department of English Composition would do all the work towards improving English "without the help of the University as a whole."

## California Navy Group

Dr. Merritt A. Williamson, dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture, recently addressed the U.S. Naval Construction Battalion of Port Hueneme, Calif.

## Pittsburgh Symphony to Play Works of Four Composers

The Pittsburgh Symphony will present compositions by four composers at its concert at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Schwab Auditorium.

The concert is the first of the series sponsored by the State College Concert Association.

The orchestra will open the program with Symphony No. 40 in G minor by Mozart. They will then play "La Mer," three symphonic sketches by Debussy.

The program will also include "Don Juan," a tone poem from Opus 20 by Richard Strauss and the suite from "Le Coq d'Or" by Rimsky-Korsakov.

The concert will mark the third appearance of the orchestra in State College. It appeared here in 1955 and again last year.

The orchestra, which is conducted by William Steinberg, held its annual concert in Carnegie Hall, New York City, last Tuesday night. It won wide acclaim from New York critics.

Howard Taubman of the New York Times said that "the annual visits of the orchestra to New York are becoming increasingly welcome."

## Waters Predicts Freight Increase

The total volume of freight traffic will have increased 50 percent above the present level by 1970, according to Dr. R. Hadley Waters, professor of transportation.

Waters, addressing a dinner meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Railroad Freight Agents at Bellefonte, analyzed factors which would determine the share of this traffic that would move by railroad.

Waters suggested a program that might stem the steady decline of the rail share and produce a rise from the present 48 percent figure.

## Eng Prof Will Speak At Mechanics Seminar

Donald E. Hardenbergh, assistant professor of engineering mechanics, will speak at an Engineering Mechanics Seminar on "A Statistical Problem Using Pearson's System of Frequency Curves."

The meeting will be held at 4:10 p.m. Monday in 203 Engineering A.

The orchestra continues to improve. The conductor, William Steinberg, impresses as a musician and leader of marked attainments. And the programs have substance," he said.

Paul Henry Lang of the New York Herald-Tribune said the orchestra "came to town to squeeze in a concert between those given by two of the 'Big Three'."

"They don't have to take a back seat for they are no junior partners; moreover, they had the good taste to bring along a little variety that afforded temporary relief from the blandness of the standard repertory," he said.

## Prof Gives Paper On Visual Effects

Charles R. Marsh, associate professor of electrical engineering, recently read an invited paper on "Visual Effects of the Atmosphere" at a Vision Research Symposium sponsored in Washington, D.C., by the Armed Forces' National Research Council Committee on vision.

The meetings were concerned with the visual factors involved in auto driving.

## Art Professor to Speak At Faculty Luncheon

George S. Zoretich, associate professor of art, will address the Faculty Luncheon Club at noon Monday, in dining room A of the Hetzel Union Building.

He will speak on "The Painter's Approach to His Work."

## Student from France

Paul Jinot, graduate student in English from Loire, France, will speak to the French Club at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Home Economics Living Center.

His subject will be "Le Sport dans les Ecoles Francaises."

# Drummers to Open 'Dancers' Program

The program by the Dancers of India at 8:30 tonight in Schwab Auditorium will open with the drumming of Kathakali musicians.

The drumming will be the same as that which calls an Indian village to one of the night-long performances in the Kerala district in South India.

The commentator, Pheka Menon, will introduce the Kathakali dancers in their makeup which symbolizes the good and noble people and the wicked villains.

The Kathakali dances are story-plays which tell of gods, demons, heroes and villains. The gods have white beards, the demons red beards, the heroes green faces and the villains black beards.

After the first Kathakali dance, Shanto Rao, the star of the group, will appear in the Bharata Natyam, a female solo dance of the Tamil regions.

The Kathakali dancers will then perform the Bhagavat Duthu, one of the most famous of the story-plays. It deals with a long-time feud between noble brothers and wicked men.

As the closing number of the first half, Miss Rao will appear in a Malabar folk dance, Pagadi, with two of the leading women dancers of the company.

The second part of the program opens with a conversation in mudras, the hindu language of the hands. The mudras are translated by the commentator.

Another Kathakali episode follows the mudras. In this there is a female role but it is performed by a man as are all female roles in Kathakali dances.

A folk dance will then be performed by two women dancers. Miss Rao then closes the program with the Mohini Attam, a classical female solo style of Kerala.

# Blood Tests In Contents Kept Secret

The first reports on the blood tests made by the Health Service during the recent respiratory illnesses have been received.

But Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of the Health Service, declined to release contents of the report until results of more tests were received.

Glenn said he expects further reports within a few days.

Blood samples were taken from 8 to 10 students who were judged to be the worst cases of respiratory illness. The samples were taken on two separate days, one at the height of the fever, and another about 10 days later, after the fever had receded.

Glenn said the first reports on the tests contain the identification of the strain of organism infecting the students.

Further reports from at least half the number of samples are necessary to confirm the identity of the organism, he said.

The samples were sent to the Children's Hospital in Philadelphia for analysis.

About two weeks are needed for processing at the laboratory, following a few days' processing at the University Hospital.

## Business Society To Hold Initiation

Delta Sigma Pi, professional business fraternity, will hold its fall semester initiation ceremonies at 4 p.m. today at Kappa Sigma.

An initiation banquet will be held at 7 p.m. at the Eutaw House, Potters Mills. Ralph H. Wherry, head of the Department of Commerce, will be toastmaster and the Rev. Frank W. Ruth Jr., a trustee of the University and a state senator, will give the main address.

## Junior Wins \$50 Prize In Advertising Contest

Thomas Foster, junior in advertising from Malvern, has received a \$50 honorable mention prize in the Affiliated Advertising Agencies Network scholarship awards program for the semester.

Foster competed with 28 entrants from 10 colleges and universities.

## SDX Awards \$35 Prize

Dennis Malick, sophomore in journalism from Shamokin, has been awarded the Sigma Delta Chi prize of \$35 for excellence in journalism.

## WMAJ Programs

Saturday	
6:30	Sign On
6:32	Morning Show
6:35	Morning Devotions
6:45	Morning Show
9:00	News
9:05	Morning Show
10:00	Overnight Roundup
10:05	Music for Listening
10:45	Chamber of Commerce
11:00	Farm and Home Forum
11:30	News
11:35	Social Security
11:45	Dateline London
12:00	Manhattan Melodies
12:15	Centre County News
12:30	What's Going On
12:35	Music for Listening
12:50	Farm and Home Forum
1:00	Warmup Time
1:25	Penn State Football
4:30	Saturday Afternoon on WMAJ
4:35	News
5:30	Saturday Afternoon on WMAJ
5:35	News
6:00	World News
6:15	Harris Breth
6:30	Sports Special
6:45	Music for Listening
7:00	Hi-Fi Open House (WDEP)
9:00	Saturday Night Dance Bandstand
9:30	Sports-Tommy Henrich
10:00	News
10:35	Saturday-Night Dance Bandstand
11:20	News
11:35	Saturday Night Dance Bandstand
12:50	News and Sports
1:00	Sign Off

# Reede Says U.S. Trend Aids Dems

The present trend of the American people toward holding the Republican administration responsible for national security resulted in decisive Democratic victories in the 1957 elections, according to Arthur H. Reede, professor of economics.

In a speech to the Young Democrats Club last night, Reede cited large plurality victories in Virginia, New Jersey, New York City and "key Pennsylvania cities" as evidence of dissatisfaction with the Administration.

Reede said the overwhelming northern Negro Democratic vote indicated that the northern Negroes are "not disposed to blame northern Democrats for Faubus' action," but the administration, instead.

"I see no reason," said Reede, "to doubt that Democrats will not be able to organize both houses of Congress in 1958."

Regarding the 1960 presidential elections, Reede said, "with

the Eisenhower magic out of the picture . . . we can expect a sharp split in the Republican party." He said since President Dwight D. Eisenhower's budget was released, the Republicans' largest financial supporters are backing out as "big corporations are realizing they won't be able to buy a man and sell him to the American public."

Reede said that Vice President Richard M. Nixon, "shaping up for the presidency," will not have weak opposition; some prospective Democratic candidates, he said, are Robert B. Meyner, governor of N.J.; John F. Kennedy, senator from Massachusetts; G. Mennen Williams, governor of Michigan; and Stuart Symington, senator from Missouri.

The question of the winner of the Pennsylvania gubernatorial race is "still up in the air," Reede said. Philadelphia mayor, Richardson Dilworth, has his "last chance to run for governor," but this would mean he would, for a second time, fail to finish a term in city government.

"Dilworth could be elected," Reede said, "but the political organization (of Philadelphia) would be dealt quite a blow."

As for other prospective gubernatorial candidates: Lt. Gov. Roy D. Furman—governor leader is "not favorable to his election"—and Pittsburgh Mayor David L. Lawrence—"has doubts about his political strength."

## ★ STARLITE ★ DRIVE-IN

Midway between Bellefonte and State College  
New Feature Time 7:30 P.M.  
• SAT. and SUN. •

"Rockabilly Baby"  
in RegalScope  
Virginia Fields and Douglas Kennedy also  
"Young & Dangerous"  
in RegalScope  
Mark Damon and Lili Gentle  
PLUS CARTOON

**STATE NOW**  
Feat. 1:30, 3:31, 5:02, 7:33, 9:37  
**THE G.I. COMEDY FILMED ENTIRELY OFF LIMITS!**  
**"Operation Mad Ball"**  
Starring  
Jack Ernie Kathryn  
Lemon Kovacs Grant  
Mickey Rooney

★ **CATHAUM**  
Now - 2:01, 3:53, 5:45, 7:37, 9:31  
**ELVIS PRESLEY in "JAILHOUSE ROCK"**  
• BEGINS SUNDAY •  
Feature: 2:05, 3:59, 5:53, 7:47, 9:41

HOWARD HAWKS' **LAND OF THE PHAROHS**  
CINEMASCOPE WARNERCOLOR  
JACK JOAN DEWEY ALEXIS  
HAWKINS • COLLINS • MARTIN • MINOTIS

★ **NITTANY**  
Now - 2:17, 4:07, 5:57, 7:47, 9:37  
**FRENCH & FRISKY "MAID IN PARIS"**  
• BEGINS SUNDAY •  
Feature: 2:22, 4:09, 5:56, 7:43, 9:30  
**"A GOOD MYSTERY . . . EXPERTLY DONE" -- Her. Trib.**  
JACK HAWKINS  
**The Third Key**