



FRESHMEN AND TRANSFER STUDENTS gather in Recreation Hall for the opening convocation of Orientation Week. President Eric A. Walker welcomed the new students in the main address.

4-Year Hotel Ad Course To End With Freshmen

This year's freshmen majoring in hotel administration will be the last students to be enrolled in the present 4-year curriculum.

The University Board of Trustees has decided to drop the curriculum in favor of a new revised setup. However, no definite action has been taken as yet on the new program.

Reactor Team Gets Grant From AEC

A research project conducted at the University by Dr. Philip L. Walker Jr., and Dr. Corliss R. Kinney, both professors of fuel technology, will be continued with a grant of \$36,672 from the Atomic Energy Commission.

The study is titled, "Factors Affecting the Mechanism of Graphitization, the Heterogeneous Gas Reaction of Graphite and the Release of Chemisorbed Gases on Graphite by Thermal and Chemical Treatment"

The AEC has recently shown great interest in the gas cooled graphite moderated atomic reactor as a means of producing energy.

With this interest, the commission has become increasingly concerned about the behavior of graphite in the presence of such gases as carbon dioxide, air and carbon monoxide. It is also concerned about the effect of the release of chemisorbed gases on graphite insofar as it affects its moderating ability and is also interested in the obtaining of graphites of different crystalline structure and orientation.

Research broadly encompassing the above areas is being conducted by Walker and Kinney with the assistance of eight graduate students.

Students now enrolled in hotel administration and new freshmen starting next semester will not be affected by the curriculum. The present setup will be dropped when the last of its students graduate in 1962.

While revising the four-year curriculum, the trustees have set up a two-year program in hotel and food service, leading to an associate degree.

The two-year curriculum, to be operated on an experimental basis, is the first Home Economics associate degree program to be offered at the University.

By switching the hotel and food service course to campus, students will be able to utilize the Nittany Lion Inn for practicum requirements, according to Lawrence E. Dennis, vice president for academic affairs.

Dennis said: "Students will be admitted to the program on the same basis as four-year students, and they will enjoy the same privileges as baccalaureate students."

Dr. Grace M. Henderson, dean of the College of Home Economics, said the two year course will include many of those subjects offered to four-year students. There will also be several new subjects designed for the associate degree program.

A summer practicum will be part of the requirements, she said.

Gridder Is Trustee

J. L. "Pete" Mauthe, only Penn State enrollee in football's Hall of Fame as a player, is a trustee of the University.

2 Insurance Information Booths Open

Representatives for the Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan will be stationed during registration hours today, tomorrow and Friday opposite the Hetzel Union desk and in Waring Lounge.

Information will be available about the insurance program. Students may enroll in the program at this time also. The enrollment deadline is Sept. 17.

Several thousand dollars have been paid out in claims to insured students. The claims have included everything from ingrown toenails to appendectomies.

The insurance program, underwritten by the Continental Casualty Company, covers enrollees 24 hours a day at home, at school or while traveling, including during vacation periods. Student's wives, husbands and children are eligible for benefits at extra cost.

The program includes three plans. Plan I, which costs \$15.75, was most in demand last semester, with about 90 per cent of the insured students enrolling in it.

Plan II costs \$5. It was designed for students already covered by a base family plan. Plan III is similar to Plan I, except that it does not provide for coverage after the maximum full compensation of the basic plans has been paid. It costs \$12.75.

Hort Students Present Show Alum Weekend

The annual horticulture show, presented during Alumni Weekend, is the result of a full year of planning and hard work by horticulture students.

The elaborate show, seen by upwards of 20,000 each year, was taken over by students in 1928; before that the horticulture staff had been responsible for the displays of fruit, vegetables and flowers.

The modern version, of course, is much more extensive, and viewers see the pavilion magically transformed into a splash of color and floral design.

The tradition was born in 1908 when apples from commercial fruit growers in the State were displayed in the attic of the agriculture building.

The same students who put on the Hort Show also stage an educational exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Another annual event is the National Intercollegiate Flower Judging Contest to be held at the University this year.

Teams from 17 universities judge flowers provided by florist organizations for a first prize of a trophy and \$75 in cash. The University came in first last year.

All-U Cabinet Heads Student Governments

Student government draws its power from the student body and transmits it through a developed structure to All-University Cabinet, the top student governing body on campus.

All-University Cabinet is both a legislative and an executive group, acting as the most direct liason between students and the administration.

Ideas or recommendations stemming from student groups may pass through several groups to Cabinet and eventually become policies, rules or student projects.

One example of an idea which became a project of student government in cooperation with the University is the Artists Series.

The idea of an Artists Series originated at a Student Encampment (see page 5). This recommendation went simultaneously to the University administration and Cabinet.

It was discussed and debated and then suggestions and recommendations were turned over to working committees for finalized plans. After Cabinet approval and subsequent University approval, the program was put into operation.

Because of the diversified structure of student government, you are represented by at least six persons on Cabinet:

The three All-University Officers, your college council president, your living unit representative, and your class president.

Your living unit representative may be either the president of Association of Independent Men, Leonides, Panhellenic Council or Interfraternity Council.

In addition, you may be represented by the president of Women's Recreation Association, president of the Athletic Association, chairman of the Board of Dramatics and Forensics or the editor of The Daily Collegian. These Cabinet members represent organizational affiliates, such as persons on publications.

Recommendations by Cabinet which need University approval are relayed through appropriate administration channels, such as faculty, administrative or Board of Trustees committees.



Jay Feldstein All-University President

Speer Co. Renews Carbon Fellowship

The Speer Carbon Co. of St. Mary's has renewed for the third successive year its fellowship in fuel technology at the University, supporting studies in the broad field of carbon.

This fellowship is under the direction of Dr. Philip L. Walker Jr., professor and head of the Department of Ceramic Technology.

The fellow presently holding the Speer Fellowship is John Rakszawski, Philadelphia, who is studying the effects of iron on the rates of reaction of carbon with carbon dioxide.

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