

New Petroleum Lab Nears Completion

Over 90 per cent of the Petroleum Refining Laboratory is built.

Hert Zog, general inspector of the General State Authority, reported that about 10 per cent of the entire construction project remains incomplete, and the contractor's completion date is April, 1960.

The lab near Buckhout Laboratory is being constructed in conjunction with the Hammond Engineering Building, under the contract leased to S. H. Evert Co., Inc., of Bloomsburg.

No building on campus, besides the new one, is designed as a Petroleum Laboratory. Students are presently using chemistry, physics, and engineering laboratories for their experiments.

The new structure will contain storage rooms, offices, and rest rooms in addition to the modern laboratories. All rooms and halls will be equipped with acoustic ceilings and raked block concrete walls.

Laboratories are specially furnished for gas and vapor research. Each has an exhaust hood for escaping gases and vapor proof lights, with the switch out of the room. "The switch will throw an arc when you turn it on and vapor is in the room," explained Zog.

The entire project, as part of the Hammond Engineering Building, is being built through the General State Authority, who in turn will sell or rent the rights of the buildings to the University.

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Exams, Quizzes Discussed By Ag Hill Council

What is an examination? What should be its objectives? How do students feel about the present system of examinations?

Students in the College of Agriculture expressed their opinions last night at the Ag Hill Council meeting. The discussion of tests was first suggested by Dr. Paul M. Althouse, assistant director of resident education in agriculture, when he spoke to the council at its last meeting.

Most of the students seemed to feel that examinations, including bluebooks, should "give us a chance to apply what we've learned in a course." As one put it, "Exams should be an expression of how much we know."

Many felt that present exams stressed "cramming in the facts" and that often they were simply tests of recall.

One student objected to having to take three and four bluebooks in one day. "This overload of exams leads to cramming," he said.

Members of the council also felt that professors can profit from bluebooks because this is a way by which they can judge how well they are getting their subject matter across to the class.

ADS Competition Award Named in Davis' Honor

The 1959 Alpha Delta Sigma convention named the advertising fraternity's progress and efficiency competition in memory of the late Donald W. Davis, professor and head of the advertising department, who died June 29. The award will be known as the Donald W. Davis Competition.

Florida State University's chapel placed first in this year's competition, thereby receiving the first Davis award.

Davis was instrumental in setting up the competition shortly before his death. He was a former national president of Alpha Delta Sigma and long-time advisor of the Penn State chapter.

The first malleable nickel was produced in 1865 by Joseph Wharton of Philadelphia, Pa. Up to that time nickel had been employed only in alloys.

Cook Gives Advice For Job Interviews

By RONA NATHANSON
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Every student is likely to be a job hunter at one time or another, and to many an interview with a prospective employer is a stumbling block.

"There is no need to be nervous at an interview. It is a chance to see if mutual interest exists between student and employer," Donald Cook, head of the Placement Division, said.

Each year about 650 companies interview students at the University Placement Service in 112 Old Main.

The interviewer will consider grades carefully, because they are an indication of what a student got from his education.

Extracurricular activities have more or less weight depending upon the nature of the job in question, for example, a sales job or engineering position. A student's contribution to each of his activities is also considered. Some interviewers may also ask how spare time is used, Cook said.

Good faculty evaluations and part-time or summer experience in the student's particular field will be to his advantage, he continued.

Does the student have a sincere interest in the work he is being interviewed for? Does he really want to be a part of the company that is interviewing him? These are things that interviewers watch for very carefully, he said.

Cook listed the following prerequisites for students going into interviews:

The student should be sure he makes a good first impression. He should be able to talk about himself easily, with poise and self-confidence. He should be neat in every aspect of his appearance.

Most of the time salaries will not be discussed at the first interview, Cook said.

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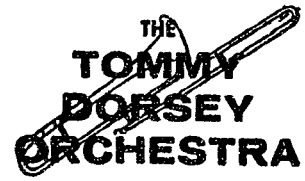
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