

Increases Collection, Adds Services

Library Works for Solution of Problems

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The engraving to the right of Pattee Library's pseudo-Egyptian columns says, "A University is a Collection of Books."

By this definition, Penn State ranks very low. The University—in the top ten in the country in sponsored research, in the top 20 in graduate work and enrollment—is 46th in the number of books in its library.

A deficient collection is only one of Pattee's problems. An outmoded and complex building with insufficient shelf space gives students a great deal of difficulty in locating what books are there.

Recent Improvement

Despite these weaknesses, the library has shown much improvement in all areas during the past five years.

This development of library plant and services, which represents a major change in University budgeting policy, is the result of the protests of an ad hoc faculty committee, organized in 1964 to inform President Eric Walker of the inadequate collection and service then available in Pattee.

50th in Nation

At that time, the library was 50th in its book collection with 750,000 volumes and had a backlog of nearly 40,000 volumes waiting to be catalogued and put on the shelves.

The committee, realizing that such massive problems required a coordinated effort at solution, recommended the appointment of a Director of Libraries, who would work with Commonwealth Campus libraries as well as Pattee and branches on this campus.

W. Carl Jackson arrived to take this position in January, 1966. In "A Concept of Library Service for Penn State," published soon afterwards, he stated that he would make every effort "to avoid confining our explorations to traditional academic library concepts."

Library Service

In a recent interview, Jackson discussed his ideas of library services and the program which will be undertaken over the next few years to develop those offered in Pattee.

"I think the best things a university can give the student are awareness of the breadth of knowledge, a desire to learn and knowledge of how to learn on his own through reading. Four years are just about enough to make a person aware of how little he knows—and where to find out what he doesn't know."

"I want to make the library a pleasant facility to use. It can be a useful facility only so long as it is responsive to student needs. When regulations are made for the sake of the librarians, people resent it and don't use the library unless they have to."

No Stuffy Atmosphere

To change the traditional "hidebound" atmosphere of the library, Jackson has introduced soft chairs, carpets and music to the West Wing and has greatly increased the number of smoking areas. Several attempts have been made to establish drive-up book drops in various areas of campus, to make book return easier.

A mass buying system has been instituted, not only to increase the collection but also to hasten the book-buying process. Last year, delivery service was offered to faculty members "for the first time on any campus, as far as I know."

Jackson's long-range plans also fall in with this service philosophy. He would like to create four levels of library service:

- Undergraduate buildings in each residence area, containing reserve books, current periodicals and "as much general-interest material as possible."

• A research library, construction of which will begin this fall. When complete it will add 400,000 sq. ft. of floor space to library facilities, but it will be constructed in two stages with the first adding 133,000 sq. ft.

• Academic unit working collections within each department to replace the present branch libraries. These would contain reference books, manuals and periodicals for quick and current reference use.

• Remote access to research materials, a program opened with the faculty delivery system, may lead in the future to computerized up-to-the-minute card catalogues located in various academic buildings.

• Decentralization of undergraduate material is based on the fact that it is much easier to duplicate than expensive and scarce research materials, in relation to the added convenience to the students.

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much dependence on this system. Last term 232 courses had books on reserve, totalling 13,984 books. I don't think reserve books are a desirable educational method; any book forced on a person will not be very well digested.

He acknowledged this system will be more practical when the new research library is complete.

Research Building

This facility will have to be attached to the east end of Pattee until stage two is finished, since until that time card catalogues and part of the collection will remain in Pattee.

It is designed to be "less puzzling" to the user—open and flexible in arrangement, with reference facilities, rest rooms and information service in the same area on each floor.

Books will be arranged with A through Z in the Library of Congress classification running from top to bottom floor, with divisions only at the end of subject groups.

Jackson proposed this centralization of research materials for many reasons, including the "interdisciplinary nature of higher research," the enlarging of bibliographic records and a need for more professional assistance.

Some of the faculty has expressed opposition to the dissolution of branch libraries, he said, but "I believe members of the faculty who are opposed to a central research library have probably thought in terms of their own needs and not in terms of student needs."

All of the present West Wing, except for the third floor, will serve as headquarters for the Undergraduate Libraries.

Another service Jackson would like to offer is an improved system of instruction in library use for incoming freshmen.

He added, "It is essential to back up the annually given funds with special endowments. We would allow gifts to grow in an investment pool. The interest on one million dollars would guarantee support in years of crisis."

The budget delay in the legislature was the main reason for various economies now being practiced, he said. "We gambled on the bill's being passed when we took on more student help and opened for more hours. Now we're trying to find ways to cut back on hourly staff expenditures without laying anyone off."

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Asked if he could count on getting the funds required by these programs, he said thoughtfully, "We must look on the optimistic side. There is much that needs to be done, but there is also a great potential here. Pattee can become a library to reckon with nationally."

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Collegian Notes

Weather Project Slated

MOSCOW (AP) — A joint French-Soviet communications experiment stretching over the northern and southern hemispheres has been started to gather data needed to forecast conditions for flights of space ships and rockets, an official announcement disclosed.

For Results—Use Collegian Classifieds

Jazz Club Jazz Club Jazz Club Jazz Club
PAUL WINTER
in a special session - workshop
2 o'clock Sunday
HUB Ballroom
Free
Come to Learn—Listen—Groove
Everyone Welcome

Film, Play, Lectures Scheduled

The Penn State Food Science Club will present a color film, entitled "The Mind Benders," at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Hetzel Union Assembly Hall.

This recent film about LSD and other hallucinogenic drugs has been released by the Food and Drug Administration. It gives an objective view of the history, use and abuse of mind-expanding drugs. There is no admission charge.

'Creative Edge' Series
Joseph H. P'itton, professor of human development, will be the final speaker of the Winter Term "Creative Edge" series.

French Lecture
Robert Champigny, research professor of French and noted literary critic from Indiana University, will give a lecture in French entitled "La Technique d'Apollinaire—Le Temps et les Temps" at 8 p.m. Tues-

day in the Laurel Room of the Nittany Lion Inn. The lecture will be sponsored by the University's French department, and the public has been invited at a coffee hour will follow.

Stu'ent Recital
Philip Detttra (12th-piano performance-Mount Dora, Fla.) will perform works by Bach, Mozart, Bartok, Chopin and Debussy in a piano recital at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Recital Hall of Music Building.

This Is the End—
The Daily Collegian ends publication for the Winter Term today. Publication will resume with a Registration Issue on Friday, March 29. Regular publication for the Spring Term will begin Tuesday, April 2.

The fifth in the series of monthly Water Resources Seminars will be held in Dining Room C of the Hetzel Union Building at noon Thursday.

G. B. Engelen, director of the department of hydrology at the Free University of Amsterdam, will be the speaker. The program will begin at 12:30 p.m. and adjourn at 1:30 p.m. Engelen will discuss trends in hydrological and hydrogeological education in universities of the Netherlands and other European countries.

Chemistry Colloquium
Karl Gerold Schwarzenbach, professor of chemistry at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, will conclude the Winter Term Chemistry Colloquium Series with a lecture on "Peroro Complexes of Titanium" at 12:45 p.m. Thursday in 310 Whitmore.

Philosophy Meeting
Seth Benardete, of the Department of Classics at New York University, will present a paper on "The Philebus" at a colloquium sponsored by the University's Department of Philosophy at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Assembly Room of the Hetzel Union Building.

A. R. von Hippel, director of the Laboratory for Insulation Research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak in the Mineral Sciences Auditorium at 4 p.m. Friday addressing the materials Research Laboratory colloquium.

Shaw & Pavilion
A one-act play by George Bernard Shaw, entitled "Passion, Poison, and Petrification," has been scheduled in the Pavilion Theatre for 5:20 p.m. Friday. Admission will be free and all have been invited to attend.

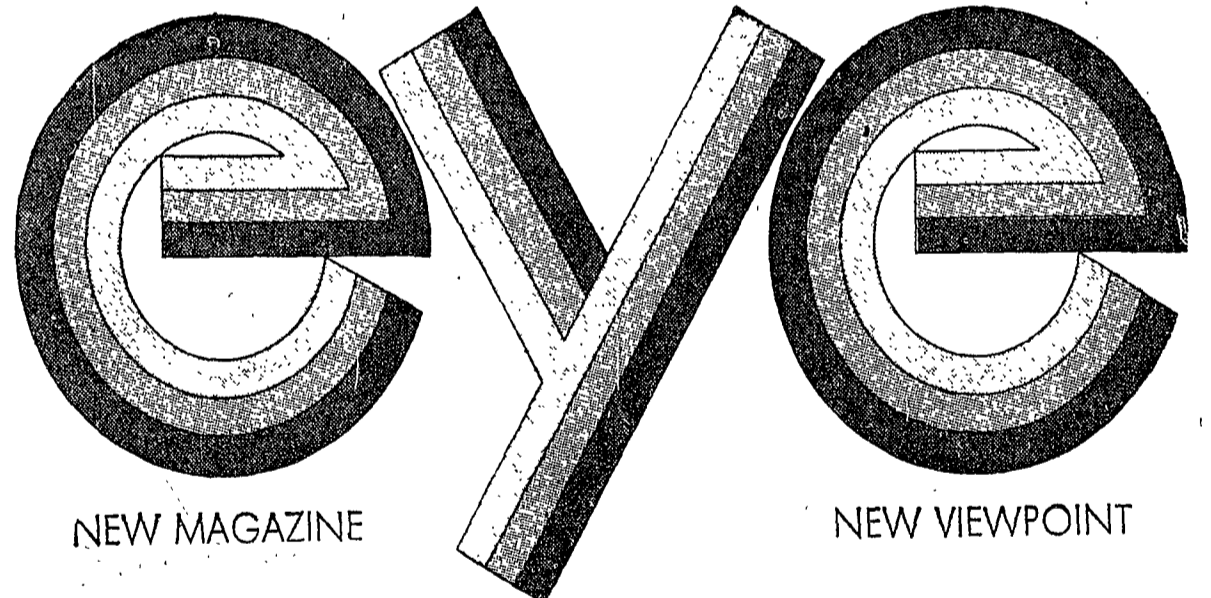
On Thursday, also at 5:20 p.m., a program of short, original dances will be presented in the Playhouse Theatre. A number of experiments in choreography and dance techniques have been staged for this presentation, including a dance choreographed by computer. Again, there will be no admission charge.

Students Visitors
Grace Lutheran Church
South Garner & East Beaver
Invites You
services: 8:15 a.m. (with communion) 10:30 a.m.
sermon: The You Too Incident



NAVAL AVIATION OFFICER PROCUREMENT TEAM
will be in the HUB
March 11 to 15 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Offering a commission in the Navy as a:
Navy Pilot Air Intelligence Officer and
Naval Flight Officer Information on other Officer Programs
Ask about a ride in the T-34 aircraft Tuesday - Friday

Goodbye, HUB Committees
Hello, University Union Board



NEW MAGAZINE NEW VIEWPOINT
If your father has enough money to send you off to college, you will not die in Vietnam this year. If you are a priest, a minister or a rabbi, you will not be shot at by Asian strangers. If you are a farmer, a homosexual, an ex-convict, an illiterate, a tool-and-die maker, a married father or a scientist, do not fear: You will never fight across a rice paddy on any murderous midnight. No one in these categories is ever told that it is fitting and noble to die for one's country. There is only one safer category in American life. You could be a woman.

So opens "Draft Women Now." In March eye. Must reading. Also "Donovan: Pop Visionary." And "Warren Beatty Raps." "\$8 Suit for Men." "Hitchhiking by Air." Much more. Plus—big fat poster. In psychedelic color for your wall.

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